# **Sedgwick County**

525 North Main Street 3rd Floor Wichita, KS 67203



## **Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, August 5, 2015 9:00 AM

**BOCC Meeting Room** 

## **Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners**

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## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

## **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:02 a.m. on August 5, 2015 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Richard Ranzau, with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Commissioner Karl Peterjohn; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner James M. Howell; Mr. Ron Holt, Acting County Manager; Mr. Mike Pepoon, Acting County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Colonel Richard Powell, Chief Deputy, Sheriff Office; Mr. Rick Durham, Deputy Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Sara Jantz, Director, Accounting; Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Steve Claassen, Director, Fleet, Facilities & Parks Director; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and Ms. Erika Rice, Deputy County Clerk.

**GUESTS** 

Mr. Jim Hanni, Executive Vice President, AAA Kansas

## **INVOCATION: Moment of Silence.**

## **FLAG SALUTE**

## **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that all Commissioners were present.

## **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

A 15-0509 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 10, 2015.

Commissioner Unruh was absent.

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioners, what's the will of the Board? Commissioner Peterjohn."

**MOTION** 

Commissioner Peterjohn moved to adopt the Minutes of June 10, 2015.

Chairman Ranzau seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Abstain
Commissioner Norton Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye
Chairman Ranzau Aye

Chairman Ranzau said, "Next item."

**Approved** 

**B** 15-0510

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 2015.

Commissioner Peterjohn was absent.

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioners, what is the will of the Board?"

**MOTION** 

Commissioner Unruh moved to adopt the Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2015.

Chairman Ranzau seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

**VOTE** 

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Commissioner Norton Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn Abstain
Chairman Ranzau Aye

Chairman Ranzau said, "Next item, please."

**Approved** 

## **NEW BUSINESS**

C <u>15-0502</u>

SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2014 SILVER AWARD FROM AAA KANSAS.

Presented by: Brenda Dietzman, Sedgwick County Undersheriff.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the award.

Mr. Jim Hanni, Executive Vice President of Public Affairs, AAA Kansas, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I first want to acknowledge Troy Wells, and he's sitting here with me. Troy represents Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) to assist us with the award program across the State of Kansas. It just helps us identify possibly deserving police and Sheriff's Departments for the award program.

"The awards purpose is to encourage communities to address local traffic safety issues in an effective and cost coordinated way, cost effective way. Sedgwick County received points for participating in the highly successful Kansas Teen Seat Belt Usage Program known as SAFE (Seatbelts Are For Everyone)in Valley Center, Goddard, Clearwater and Cheney. It received points for work in the area of education with programs like DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), senior centers, media for selective enforcement and work with other senior programs in the county.

"The utilization of other traffic safety enforcement programs such as STEP (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program), the DUI (Driving Under the Influence) enforcement with check lanes, saturation patrols, cops on rails and nighttime seat belt enforcement, and work with the elementary and high school seat belt enforcement efforts. In engineering they have worked with the county engineers for traffic controls and in emergency medical response programs such as TIM, Traffic Incident Management, and DDACTS, which is the Data Driven Approach to Crime and Traffic Safety with crime mapping to identify problem areas with extra patrols in those areas.

"Communities the size of Wichita is very difficult to win the award because they have to get more points than smaller communities do, but the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department is winning the award as one of only seven Sheriff's Department in the State of Kansas to receive the award this year. Proof of their strong sustained efforts are in the results. Seat belt usage for adults has risen from 83 percent in 2009 to 92 percent in 2013. Teen belt use has risen from 76 to 87 percent in the same period of time. Click It Or Ticket citations have grown from 159 to 615, and accordingly teen crashes have dropped from 272 to 212. Alcohol crashes have dropped from 99 down to 45. Alcohol arrests dropped from 1,053 to 602, and injuries have gone down from 580 to 515. And finally, fatalities have gone down steadily from 26 in 2010 to just 7 fatalities each of the last two years. Just a remarkable record, and we are very pleased to be able to present 2014 AAA Kansas Community Traffic Safety Award to the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department. I would like to call on Colonel Richard Powell to receive the award, if I could."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Congratulation, thank you."

Colonel Richard Powell, Chief Deputy, Sheriff Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, "On behalf of the Sheriff Easter, and the women and men of the Sheriff's Office, also our reserved deputies in the reserve bureau, we certainly do appreciate and acknowledge this reward, or this award we have received from the AAA organization.

"As mentioned, the many, many programs we've been involved in for many years now, whether it be the SAFE program, the STEP program, Cops on Rails, the saturation patrols we do on a regular basis throughout the county, and all the varied education programs we put on throughout our local communities. The facts purely do tell the truth that we have made significant reductions in all types of categories related to accidents and incidents involving impaired drivers, safe driving, the utilization of seat belts and paying appropriate attention to the driving laws in a given area. Again, we appreciate the acknowledgment of our efforts, we thank Mr. Wells and KDOT for their acknowledgment because we've had the opportunity to receive benefit from those programs that KDOT sponsors and the means of supplying enforcement tools and training for our deputies. So, again, thanks from all the people in the Sheriff's Office."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Thank you, Chief Powell. Congratulations, we appreciate everything that you do. I think they want to get a picture here. Thanks, again, gentlemen. Madam Clerk, next item, please."

#### **D** 15-0503

PRESENTATION OF THE QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT. Presented by Rick Durham, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

**VISUAL PRESENTATION** 

Mr. Rick Durham, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "At the end of each quarter, let me try to multi-talk here, which I don't do very well. At the end of each quarter the Division of Finance reports on the county's financial condition. The quarterly financial report provides an analysis of financial trends through the second quarter of 2015. And those are compared to the same time periods from 2014, and the information contained in this report is based on the unaudited financial statements and excludes adjustments that may be required by the auditors at a later date.

"The report has been delivered to you, and will be posted on the county's website for review. The first section of the report outlines financial information on a budgetary basis per applicable fund types, and includes comparison of year to date and yearend financial activities within the previous fiscal year, and the adopted and revised budgets. The second section of the report outlines financial status of active capital projects. The final section consists of fund statements which provide a broad overview of the county's finances in a manner similar to the private sector business and those are based on GAAP principles, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. Also included in our updated projection for the remainder of the budget year based on trends we see through the second quarter. That describes how the book is laid out. What I want to do is just provide some highlights to you as we do at the end of every quarter, give some highlights of the report, and tell you what we see in the financial condition and what the prognosis is for the rest of the fiscal year.

"Again, the report was not prepared by me but the hard work is done by the budget department and that is led by Lindsay Poe-Rousseau, and the accounting department which is led by Sarah Jantz, and they are here present. I would use the pretty face comment but I think we have worn that one out, Commissioner Peterjohn doesn't agree.

"We begin with the slide that identifies projections of what we see, the year end revenues, expenditures, fund balances to be in the governmental funds, and these are categorized by group. If we start on the left we start with the general fund, and you can rundown the fund and you can see our revenues, then expenditures which gives us our net income, our transfers and then the net change in fund balance. Okay. You notice there is a definite of \$4.187 million, now had we not done the one time nonrecurring grant to the [Sedgwick County] Zoo of \$5.3 million, that change in fund balance would actually be a positive \$1.1 million, just as a note. So, our ending fund balance then in the general fund will be \$60.31 million. So if we follow that chart across to the right, we can follow the debt service, and I draw attention to the ending fund balances, the debt service fund, we have a net change in fund balance of \$1.65 million, and ending fund balance on a budgetary basis of 3.37.

"Other county funds that receive support from property taxes. The Fire District [No. 1] fund, and then we roll all those up and, again, these are projections made as the end of the second quarter ending June 30th, and they are projections what we think our fund will be at the end of the year, December 31st.

"We move from projections to actuals now, and we look at just the second quarter information for property tax funds, and that's those fund that receive the support of property taxes. At the end of the second quarter we received \$170 million in revenues, that is up slightly from the same period in 2014. Expenditures at the end of the second quarter and the property tax supported funds totaled \$114.7 million, and that increase of \$8.1 million, or 7.6 percent year to date compared to the same period 2014. Again, I draw attention to that increase largely due to the one time nonrecurring payments to the Zoo.

'So if we combine revenues and expenditures for the second quarter, revenues increase two-tenths of one percent, while expenditures increased 7.6 percent. This slide then shows the net income of the property tax supported fund of \$55.3 million, down \$7.7 million from last year. Again, the sharp decline is due to the one time nonrecurring expense to the Zoo, and without that the net income would have been \$60.6 million, or a decrease of just \$2.4 million.

"Here we show the 10 individual revenue sources that provided the greatest amount of funding for Sedgwick County government through the first half of this year. Ad valorem taxes are substantially the largest amount of taxes because of the timing of the tax and the collection cycle. As you can see through the second quarter of 2015, in the second column, we received \$120.7 million in property taxes, or an increase of 2.2 percent. Sales and use taxes are the second largest revenue source and they have increased 3.1 percent over the prior year. Motor vehicle taxes, the third largest revenue source. And then after the top three there is a fairly substantial drop off in the amounts and the total of all revenues for the second quarter, \$107 million compared to \$169.65 million from the same period last year.

"So moving from revenues to expenditures, our people are the most expensive single category of expense that we have in the county. So salaries and wages for the first six months of the year are \$41 million, an increase of 3.3 percent. That primarily is due to the class and comp pay pool, and as you recall we didn't have that in the first half of 2014, that was implemented in July of last year. Insurance premiums decreased 5.3 percent, once again I remind you that's because there are 27 postings this calendar year instead of 26, so that skews that percentage. Pension contributions continued to increase. And then total personnel costs through June 30th stood at \$62.72 million, or 2.5 percent more than the same period in 2014.

"Continuing with expenditures. But no personnel cost involved in this slide, so you can see that grant awards, and that's funding we provide to other agencies, typically nonprofits in the community to provide services on our behalf, represented the largest non-personnel expenditure that we incurred in the county, and that is a 54.4 percent increase. Now, as a note, the large increase there is this is where the \$5.3 million for the Zoo capital improvement program was accounted for. So if we discount that out, or take it out, that nonrecurring item there would have been a decrease in \$200,000 for grants awards for that same period. So in total, non-personnel expenditures for property tax supported fund stood at \$51.9 million, or increase of \$6.55 million, or 14.4 percent.

"We move now to nontax special revenue funds for the second quarter. And in the same manner that we looked at the tax supported fund we will look at these. We received \$39.5 million in revenues, or a decrease of \$500,000 from a year ago. Nontax expenditures at the end of second quarter were \$41.4 million, and that's \$2.7 million more than a year earlier.

"I discussed last quarter that we attribute some of this to a better understanding of their way, we're using the PPS (Procurement for Public Sector) system and the way we account for those expenditures. So, if we combine those two, you can see that there is a decrease in revenue of 1.3 percent and an increase in expenditures of 6.9 percent.

"And here we have the top 10 revenues of the nontax special revenue funds. Medicaid fees represent the largest revenue, the greatest source of revenue, and an increase of \$2.75 million. And the greatest change in these funds is in the State Revenue of Corrections, the 15.6 percent, that's not actually true, it's on the Medicaid fees, my apologies. The greatest change is actually on the last line there, the Affordable Airfairs, the decrease of 88 percent, and as you recall that was as a result of the way we collected the funds in the past. They paid us for two fiscal years because of the difference of the state fiscal year compared to the county fiscal year.

"Here are the expenditures of the nontax special revenue funds, again salaries and wages is the largest single source. The significant change in the economic development incentives is due to the timing of the way Southwest Airlines invoices us. And all expenditures in the nontax special revenue funds then at the end of the second quarter are 41.4 million, or increase of 6.9 percent.

"We will turn back to the general fund, and we look here at the total fund balance on a GAAP basis, or a true accounting basis. So if you scan back and look at the trend line you can see that it follows a clear cycle of activity and at the second quarter of 2015 stands at \$104 million. So as you can see we expect that to decrease as we go into the third and fourth quarter as we spend down the taxes that we have already collected. The county has a fund balance policy says we expect general fund balances, undesignated fund balances, to be at least 20 percent of budgeted expenditures. This chart shows that we have consistently remained well above that minimum threshold. When we ended the second quarter with undesignated general fund balance at 48 percent of budget expenditures. And that is consistent with the prior five years.

"We move now to the county's investment portfolio. This slide shows that portfolio and at the end of the second quarter the county has approximately \$245 million invested, and that is represented here by the tan bars. You can identify the cash flow cycle by the fluctuation back, as you can see that trend. The solid blue line represents our return on those investments. So it's just shy of 0.7 of a percent. The dotted line there is the benchmark, and that is based on the one year treasury bill rate and at the end of the first quarter you can see there is an uptick in the benchmark, a slight uptick in our return, our return is well above the benchmark, again it's a tough market conditions. It's the nature of what the economy we are living in right now. Brandi Baily manages our investment portfolio and I think she does a pretty good job, actually she does a very good job in very tough conditions.

"This chart shows some significant capital projects and, again, all the projects are in the quarterly report. These are updated information here and it shows that the jail master control system is substantially completed. 135th Street will be complete October 2nd. 45th Street North from Webb to Greenwich is finished and open. And selected preventive maintenance, all projects are complete or under construction. Maple is to be completed August 10th, and the big ditch major maintenance and repair, all projects are complete.

"Now we look at some indicators of our financial condition. What you see here is trend data that shows the county's financial condition for 2014. This is the same data that was shown to you at the end of last quarter, so it's review, so, as you can see, our liquidity, we have 141 days of cash on hand. Our flexibility is the unrestricted general fund balance as a percentage of expenditures that was shown earlier. Our property value, our taxable value per capita. Our direct debt per capita. And our debt burden, debt service is a percentage of our general fund revenue remains flat. Our reliance on property taxes as a levy as a percentage of governmental fund expenditures is a slight up.

"What this chart does is compare Sedgwick County's information with our benchmark counties, and that is, we obtained that information from a GFOA (Government Finance Officers Association) database, and what we do is we take and look at the benchmark counties and those are the 128 counties having the population of 250,000 to 750,000, so we are looking at generally the same population size, and that those counties that received the GFOA CAFR (Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program) award, so what we do is we compare our metrics against those benchmark counties, and as you can see we measure up fairly well. The benchmark counties liquidity of 119 days of cash on hand, compared to our 141.

"Property values are an area of concern and they have been and we report that every quarter. Our direct debt per capita is much less than the benchmark counties. Our effective property tax rate is better than those benchmark, and again our property tax reliance is also better than those benchmark counties.

"If we move away from the county specific and we look at some economic indicators, and this information is from the Center for Economic Development and Business Research, and they compile leading indexes that provide insight to the present and the future of the state of the Wichita economy. The leading economic indicator is designed to give an indication of where the Wichita economy is headed over the next six months. As you can see there is a slight change in this chart as we have moved out. There is a flattening, or slight dip at the end there, and that index actually has deteriorated between April and May and continues to indicate that there may be a decrease in economic activity through the fall. And those are based on the leading indicators as measured, and the three of those that have declined primarily are the Aircraft Production Index which is down 0.9 percent, the National Industrial Production Index, which also is down 0.2 percent, and the International Leading Index which is down 0.1 percent. Those are three of the indicators that the Center for Economic Development and Business Research use to come to this index. So the outlook for the next three to six months according to this trend isn't necessarily the slow growth that we witnessed in the past.

"This shows annual data of key metrics that we look at on a long term basis, so this is annual data. You can see our tax base growth of 1.1 percent, home sales are up, new home permits are relatively flat. The number of mortgages registered is down. Sales and use tax up slightly. And the unemployment rate, the trend is good, it's 4.8 percent. Here we look at the same data, but we compare it quarter to quarter so if you look back on a quarterly basis our home sales are actually down slightly for the quarter, home permits down slightly. Mortgages registered up slightly. And then the dip in sales and use tax, employment numbers are flat and unemployment numbers are up slightly, or improved slightly.

"So to wrap things up. As we see some potential threats, obviously state programs are looking to fill the gap, like the vehicle title processing, the state budget, and honestly it's some of the unknowns regarding the state budget. They project deficits, but there are still a lot of unknowns out there, the school finance is one of those. State legislation, the motor vehicle tax changes. And the local economy, the slower rate of recovery, locally than nationally, and then the projection according to the leading indicators of a slowdown there.

"Sedgwick County is currently in sound financial condition. There are minor but persistent imbalances between our revenues and expenditures. There is increasing reliance on taxes to fund the government. Our 10 year focus has been increased safety and public works, but decreased efforts in health and welfare and general government. Legislative action poses a threat to the financial condition of the county, as it continues to struggle with its own finances. And the state poses a risk to our fiscal health. While revenues grow modestly, the cost of doing business continues to increase. So through the second quarter, our financial performance is consistent with what we expected to see, our fundamentals continue to reflect strong financial position. We have deficits projected in the future years. Our second quarter estimates are actually better than they were at the end of the first quarter. And our 10 year focus again is in public safety, public works with decreased efforts in health and welfare and general government. And with that, I would be happy to answer any questions and if there aren't any I would ask you receive and file."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner, are there any questions? Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Just a couple quick sections. I was looking at the page 35 of the report on with the Intrust Bank Arena, and wanted to get a clearer understanding, because I didn't see a depreciation line on that chart, and I did notice on the overall balances from the enterprise I think we were running \$154 million. Would you talk for a minute in terms of where we stand in terms of the asset value for the Intrust Bank Area, our depreciation, where we are at, and also the ending fund balance that we've got since that fund balance runs out we are going to have to come up with an alternate revenue source for that facility. Unfortunately we are still well into eight figures, but it looks to me like it has shrunk a bit."

Mr. Durham said, "So, I've been told from my accountant to go to page 64 of the report. The accumulated depreciation there on the left hand column, maybe a third of the way down, \$28,599,382.00."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Do you have any idea how much was between second quarter this year and the second quarter last year? Year over year, ballpark?"

Ms. Sara Jantz, Director, Accounting, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I will get back to you to clarify the amounts, but I believe annual depreciation is approximately \$5 million. So from year to year it would be the same amount, because we're not adding new assets or removing assets we do straight line and it should be consistent."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "And it's on straight line depreciation."

Ms. Jantz said, "Yes, but I will get those numbers for you when we get back to the office."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, am I right in terms of looking at the, there is a decrease in the ending fund balance for the [Intrust Bank] Arena sub fund?"

Mr. Durham said, "That's correct."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Page 35?"

Ms. Durham said. "Yes."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Okay, just a shade under a million dollars. Okay, thank you very much."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Rick, can you go back to slide 20? The debt burden there, debt service as a percentage of general fund, so we are at 14 percent as compared to other counties, so we are a little higher than them."

Mr. Durham said, "A little, yes."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Go to the next slide. So the leading indicators, they are starting to go downward, is that right?"

Mr. Durham said, "That's what the information off of, now, this again is from the Center for Economic Development and Business Research, it is the leading indicators that they measure. So this is the chart and this is what their data shows."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Okay. Correct me if I'm wrong, our increase, our growth in assessment this year was less than we expected and was less than last year, I think it was from 2.2 down to 1.5 or something roughly like that, does that sound...are we concerned, should we be concerned? There's usually a delay in some of this stuff, how it affects us. Usually there is a decline and then it takes us a little while, is this something we should be concerned about as we move forward?"

Mr. Durham said, "Absolutely, that's why we show this information, this is a projection based on indicators in the economy."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Okay. All right, thank you very much. What's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Commissioner Norton Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye
Chairman Ranzau Aye

Chairman Ranzau said, "Thank you very much, we appreciate it. Next item." Approved

#### E 15-0535

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING ON JULY 30, 2015.

Presented by: Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing Department.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Item number one on the Bid Board [Board of Bids and Contacts] agenda is for:

1. VARIOUS FOUR WHEEL DRIVE TRUCKS – FLEET MANAGEMENT FUNDING – ½ TON 4WD EXTENDED CAB, ½ TON 4WD EXTENDED CAB W/ SHORT BED, 1 TON 4WD CAB TRUCK

"Recommendation is to accept the bid for Item 1 from Eddy's Ford in the amount of \$148.310.00; accept the low responsive bid for Item 2 from Davis-Moore Automotive, Inc. in the amount of \$35,109.00; and accept the low bid for Item 3 from Rusty Eck Ford in the amount of \$42,324.00. Item 2;

2. FOUR WHEEL DRIVE UTILITY BED FIRE SQUAD TRUCK- FIRE DISTRICT #1 FUNDING – FIRE DISTRCT ADMIN

"Recommendation is to accept the low responsive bid from Rusty Eck Ford in the amount of \$75,914.00. Item 3;

3. ADA PLAYGROUND & PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS AT LAKE AFTON PARK – FACILITIES DEPARTMENT FUNDING – ADA COMPLIANCE/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – PARKING LOTS

"Recommendation is to accept the low responsive bid from Barkley Construction in the amount of \$257,000.00 and establish unit pricing for additional parking lot work at a rate of \$8.50 per square foot. Item 4;

4. 2015 DODGE CHARGERS – FLEET MANAGEMENT FUNDING – DODGE CHARGER

"Recommendation is to utilize the State of Kansas contract number 39791 with Davis-Moore Automotive, Inc. in the amount of \$92,552.00. Item 5;

5. 2015 FORD FUSION HYBRID S VEHICLES – FLEET MANAGEMENT FUNDING – FORD FUSION HYBRID

"Recommendation is to utilize the State of Kansas contract number 39706 with Shawnee Mission Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$184,328.00. These vehicles would be

new vehicles, additions to the fleet. And subsequent to the Bid Board meeting last week, there has been further discussion about this particular procurement, and it is the recommendation of the Fleet Manager, staff of the Sheriff's Office, and me, that instead of taking the action recommended by Bid Board, that you refer this item back to Bid Board for further consideration. Item 6;

6. COX OPTICAL INTERNET UPGRADES – DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS

FUNDING - DIVISION OF INFORMATION AND OPERATIONS

"Recommendation is to accept the quote from Cox Business for a five year total of \$241,000.00. Item 7;

7. CHANGE ORDER #3 – TIME AND LABOR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM – FINANCE DEPARTMENT

FUNDING - TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

"Recommendation is to accept the change order from Kronos, Inc. in the amount of \$76,301.72.

"That is the extent of the recommendations from Bid Board meeting of last week and I would recommend that you take the recommended actions, including the adjustment of recommendation that I cited on the Ford Fusions, Item 5."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioners, what is the will of the Board?"

### **MOTION**

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the Board of Bids and Contracts with the exception of Item 5, which shall be referred back to the Board of Bids and Contacts.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

## **VOTE**

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Commissioner Norton Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye
Chairman Ranzau Aye

Mr. Chronis said, "Thank you."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Thank you, Chris. Next item, please."

## CONSENT

F 15-0507

Highway Use Agreement with Kansas Department of Transportation for use of Flood Control Right of Way at the US-54 Interchange with I-235. CIP Project R-332. District 2.

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G	<u>15-0525</u>	A Supplemental Agreement between Sedgwick County, the City of Wichita and the Kansas Department of Transportation regarding Waterline Relocations for Reconstruction Project at I-235/US-54/US-400/Kellogg Ave interchange and the Reconstruction of West Street interchange. CIP#R-334. District 2.	
Н	<u>15-0397</u>	A resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of all necessary documents in connection with the sale of the securities acquired with the proceeds of the Sedgwick County, Kansas and Shawnee County, Kansas single family mortgage revenue bonds (Mortgage-Backed Securities Program), 2006 series A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6 and 2006 series B-1 and B-2; authorizing the execution and delivery of instructions relating to the defeasance and redemption of such bonds; and authorizing the officers, employees and representatives of Sedgwick County, Kansas, to do and perform all things necessary, appropriate and incidental thereto under the authority of the act.	
1	<u>15-0500</u>	Work Study Agreement with a COMCARE employee.	
J	<u>15-0534</u>	Termination of EMSS Employment Agreement (Interim).	
K	15-0514	Order dated 7/16/2015 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.	
L	15-0518	Order dated 7/23/2015 to correct tax roll for change of assessment	
М	<u>15-0529</u>	General Bill Check Register for July 22, 2015 - July 28, 2015.	
N	<u>15-0530</u>	General Bill Check Register for July 29, 2015 - August 4, 2015.	
0	15-0531	Payroll Check Register for the July 25, 2015 payroll certification.	
		Mr. Ron Holt, Acting County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have the Consent Agenda Items F through O. Move for approval."	
		Chairman Ranzau said, "What is the will of the Board?"	
		MOTION	
		Commissioner Peterjohn moved to approve the Consent Agenda.	

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Commissioner Norton Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye
Chairman Ranzau Aye

Chairman Ranzau said, "Next we have Legislative Issues, and I don't think we have anything in particular. I know staff is looking at some of the budget stuff to analyze what impact it will have on us at this time. And we're still doing that research, right?"

Mr. Holt said, "Yes, sir, that's correct." Approved

## <u>OTHER</u>

Chairman Ranzau said, "Next we will move to the 'Other' portion of our meeting. And, Ron, I have a question for you, about, there was an editorial yesterday, about the Law Enforcement Training Center that I need some clarification on. Because it talks, in here, that the city didn't have any input in the RFP (Request for Proposal) and it says it's disconcerting that the County Managers are going through their own RFP process. I'm a little confused. I thought that we were doing this on behalf of the city and county, everyone had been working on, had meetings together and everything. Do you have any information you could provide to us to clarify what is going on here?"

Mr. Holt said, "You are correct, Mr. Chairman, I too was surprised a portion of that statement. I've asked Steve Claassen, who has been our project leader on this, and working with all of the stakeholders including the city, to come and give us just a little outline of what has been going on and when."

Mr. Steve Claassen, Director, Fleet, Facilities & Parks Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This time line that I put together is limited to the recent activity of the ongoing city county cooperation discussions, and work product, putting together now a county-led proposal that will satisfy our mutual need for a new and expanded Law Enforcement Training Center. Before I talk about the guts of the specific dates, I would like to make reference to this time line itself is based on several years of work with Wichita Police Department and Sedgwick County Sheriff, putting together a program, defining what their needs are, defining the space sizes, the parking needs, the adjacencies, that kind of thing, so we have got that work product, this time line relies very heavily on that.

"So, with respect to the RFP that, the time line I think begins on the 14th when the meeting taking place at the city building with ommissioner or Chairman Ranzau, Chair Pro-Tem Peterjohn, Mayor Longwell and Vice Mayor Clendenin took place. The outcomes of that meeting were that the, it was agreed that the Law Enforcement Training Center was the number one priority for city/county project. Chairman Ranzau suggested in that meeting that the county lead an RFP process on behalf of both City [of Wichita] PD (Policy Department) and the Sheriff. And the Mayor Longwell agreed in that meeting to speak on that topic to the City Manager. Then on June 11th, a subsequent meeting at the county courthouse, attendance was Chairman Ranzau, Chair Pro-Tem Peterjohn, Mayor Longwell, Councilman Meitzner, and in that meeting it was indicated by the city electeds that the city would support that county-led RFP process for the Law Enforcement Training Center.

"Then we had a meeting of city and county staff at the county courthouse building on the 17th where myself as Facilities Director, Tania Cole our Project Services Manager, Joe Thomas our Purchasing Director, representing the city was Denise Peters who was their project leader for this project over several years and Ricky Stubbs who is the facilities top person at the city. And in that meeting, again we agreed that we already had this work product that the police and sheriff had processed together and that we didn't need to revisit that but that would again be the foundation of this request for proposal. We did delegate the work a bit, recognizing that the city had really been the leader over the last several years coordinating the program, they agreed, we mutually agreed they would look at that program a final time, readjust it and refine it as needed. Then the county would take care of the administrative functions of the RFP developing the language and defining the process that would be used and then finally we would do, we would send that draft document out for both city and county stakeholder review.

"On July 16th we did receive the edited program from city staff on that same date the mayor was notified that the draft should be expected to be received, sent to him on the 27th of July for the city stakeholder review. On the 21st of July, we sent out kind of a preliminary document to our county stakeholders for their review and comment. And on July 28th, the morning of July 28th, we sent that draft RFP to the city stakeholders for their input and reference.

"So the next steps, the draft that we have all been looking at proposes these two dates, they are subject to adjustment. We indicated that if more time was needed on the city's behalf that we could extend these, but the working dates that were in that document are August 5th, today, asking for their feedback on the document, and then we were hoping that on Friday of this week we could put that out for public notice, public distribution. So that's the time line, if you have any other questions, I'd try to answer them."

Chairman Ranzau said, "I appreciate that, that puts me at ease a little bit. I know I can't necessarily believe everything I read in the editorial. But I was concerned. And I was under the impression that we were working together on this all along, and I wanted to make sure that was in fact that case. And I appreciate you clarifying all of that. All the hard work I know that you have put in and the staff over at the City of Wichita, we appreciate it. This is our number one priority, we are going to move forward and get this addressed, and I appreciate it. Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Thank you. Can someone tell me when was the project identified as a need in Sedgwick County. I read, I think, 1999, is that correct, this has been going on since then?"

Mr. Holt said, "I don't have an exact date. I can say it's been going on for several, several years, so 1999 wouldn't be a surprising date, because the initial deal was to work with the National Guard and really initially the fire departments were involved and then the Fire Departments became, went their own way for good reason. We went through a lot of changes with what is happening with the federal government and, so, the National Guard piece was delayed. And so, again, I don't have an exact date, Commissioner Howell, but I don't think that would be out of reason to say it's been that long."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay, I just would like to make a few comment about

this. When we have a lot of people involved in trying to find the right answer to a problem, without a process it's hard to know do you have the best options in front of you and should you do that as the solution or not. When you pick one building at a time, I think it creates a difficulty in knowing whether that's the right thing to do or not. So a RFP, or request for proposal, gets all the options on the table side by side. You can see the merits of each project or each proposal side by side including the cost for those different choices and allows all the stakeholders, I believe, to weigh those options against our needs and the costs of those various options and allows us to make a decision to move forward. You know, I think what the RFP process is going to do is going to find a resolution to this finally.

"I looked at the Tag Office as an example. The Murdock Tag Office is one of those that I understand has been desired by Sedgwick County to find a replacement facility for that for 17 years. And this year we issued an RFP to find a space, there was a number of options that came to us, all of which I think were very interesting and would have provided a good option for the county. And we are working through the process of now selecting and negotiation on that right now, but we are going to deliver a solution in, I believe, the near future, I would expect in 2016 or near 2016.

"And, so, the disappointment by the community that we are not solving a problem, we seem to continue to flounder around the issue, excuse me, flounder around the issue and not really find a solution that we can all agree all, I think is resolved with the RFP process. When I talked with staff about RFP for the Tag Office it was a revolutionary idea to use this process to select a building. We use it for equipment all the time, but to use the process for a facility has something that the county has done in the past. So I just want the community to know that we are honing in on the answer, this will be solved very soon, and we have actually put money in our 2016 budget for this purpose. If it's not the right amount of money I'm sure we will find other funds, we'll plan for whatever moneys are needed to finally solve this problem. I understand the building we have has tremendous problems, I completely agree, we do have to solve the problem.

"What the RFP process is going to do is it's going to deliver a solution rapidly so we can move on. I'm excited, the community should be excited, this is the way for us to finally solve the problem, and rather than talking about a building on 21st Street or Southeast High School, or possibly JRBR (Judge Riddel Boys Ranch) Facility at Lake Afton and other number of buildings that have been presented, we can't seem to come to terms on whether these are the best option.

"So the RFP process puts these things side by side and allows us to say this one is the best reason, through a voting process or downslide process we can actually deliver the answer. So I'm excited about finally solving this problem. If it's been going on since 1999, we've lived with this problem long enough; it's time to get it fixed. I think this RFP process, with coordination with the city, with their input and with their agreement we're going to have the answer before us very soon, and I think that's the positive message I would like people to know. Mr. Chairman, that's all I have, thank you."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would through out to Commissioner Howell, when I became a Commissioner in 2009 this was one of the issues that was brought before me and I was told that it actually preceded the horrible

events on September 11th, 2001. I know it goes back quite a ways, in terms of exactly how far back I don't know. I do very appreciate the presentation from staff to update, because I did participate in a couple meetings and I thought they were productive and from both the city and county side trying to work together, and the two that I participated in, of course I wasn't at the most recent one, but I think there was a feeling that for the city and the county that this was at the top of our list of things we were going to try to get done in the not too distant future and considering how long it's been out here, Mr. Chairman, I think it would be a significant step in the right direction, because the existing facility has a lot of problems and I'm not going to go into that at this time. But we do need a replacement, so I wanted to throw that into the discussion this morning."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "The first meeting I went to about the Heartland Preparedness Center, which was the beginning of this, was 1999, and later in the year after the tornado when I was still mayor, General Greg Gardener had visited with me about his viewpoint of a regional preparedness center that brought together National Guard, local jurisdiction, agencies, sheriff, police, fire, the Highway Patrol was originally in on this, the marines, some other Air Force Reservists, I mean it was a big thought process that we would create a regional preparedness training center that brought all the first responders in a catchment area together to build a national presence for the Midwest, maybe 13 states to do training and then for us to have a local presence for any kind of event that might happen, whether it be natural or man-made. And since then, this is, the vision his denigrated down to let's try to find a building just for law enforcement. I think, in my mind it's sad that we didn't go ahead with that grander version that would have made us a national hub for homeland preparedness and training, not only law enforcement but all the agencies that need to work together. I bought into it very early, because as an elected official that's been through a natural disaster, not manmade, but natural, in fact a couple of them, because I was also mayor when the DeBruce Grain Elevator blew up, I kind of went through that whole process. The time to hand out business cards is not 2:30 in the morning in the basement of your city building.

"You'd need to work together, train together, understand each other's protocols, know the key players, because disasters, need first responders that have worked together, trained together, understand each other's protocols instantly. And for me, I'm sad that we lost that grander vision and we're now down. Now we'll serve the public very well and serve our law enforcement agencies well with the end product, but the grander vision got lost somewhere and I'm sad for that. That's all I have, Mr. Chair."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Commissioner Peterjohn, anything else for other?"

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Yes, indeed. I'm going to change topics entirely from where we are at, because August 5th was an important day in American history and one of the most famous phrases. On August 5th, 1864 during the last major naval battle of the Civil War a Union Admiral David Farragut was involved in the Battle of Mobile Bay, led the ships in there and came up with the phrase, 'Damn the torpedoes,

full speed ahead', and made that statement on the successful attack on two Confederate forts and a variety of Confederate vessels that were defending that harbor. But August 5th was also significant in 1861 the federal government levied their very first income tax on this date. In 1884 the corner stone for the Statue of Liberty was laid. And on a much lighter note, and one on a show that I remember fondly for the younger generation, they may not recall it, but August 5th, 1957 American Bandstand with Dick Clark, hosted by Dick Clark, debuted on national TV for some. August 5th was an important day in history and I wanted to get it on the record, Mr. Chairman. If we're finished with other I do have another motion, because we have an Executive Session."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Yes, is there anything else for others, Commissioners? Seeing none, we will now move to Executive Session. Commissioner Peterjohn."

#### **MOTION**

Commissioner Peterjohn moved that the Board of County Commissioner recess into Executive Session for 30 minutes to consider consultation with legal counsel on matters privileged in the attorney-client relationship relating to pending claims and litigation, legal advice, contract negations, personnel matters of non-elected personnel, and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner than 10:35 a.m.

Commissioner Ranzua seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

#### **VOTE**

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Commissioner Norton Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye
Commissioner Peterjohn Aye
Chairman Ranzau Aye

Chairman Ranzau said, "We'll now move to Executive Session."

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board of County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 10:04 a.m. and returned at 11:01 a.m.

Chairman Ranzau said, "We are now back from Executive Session. No binding action was taken. Mr. Manager, anything else to come before the Commission?"

Mr. Holt said, "No, sir."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Seeing none, we are adjourned."

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

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