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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

9:00 AM

BOCC Meeting Room

Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:03 a.m. on July 20, 2016 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman James M. Howell, with the following present: Chair Pro-Tem Commissioner Richard Ranzau; Commissioner David Unruh; Commissioner Tim Norton; Commissioner Karl Peterjohn; Mr. Michael Scholes, County Manager; Mr. Eric Yost, County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Lindsay Poe-Rousseau, Budget Director; Mr. Rick Durham, Deputy Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Joe Thomas, Director of Purchasing; Ms. Kate Flavin, Public Information Officer; Ms. Laura Billups, Deputy County Clerk.

Guests:

Mr. Evan Snell, 272 North Patton Dr, Wichita

Ms. Kate Donaghue, 1245 Hickory Creek Court, Wichita

INVOCATION: Sister Dorothy LeBlanc, Sisters of St. Joseph.

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

- A [16-443](#) AUTHORIZE THE PUBLICATION OF THE MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX LEVY TO FUND THE 2017 SEDGWICK COUNTY BUDGET AND ESTABLISH PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS ON JULY 27 AND AUGUST 4, 2016.

Presented by: Lindsay Poe Rousseau, Budget Director.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize the publication of the maximum property tax levy to fund the 2017 budget and notice of the public hearing on August 4, 2016.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Lindsay Poe-Rousseau, Budget Director greeted the Commissioners and said, "Before you this morning is a request for your authorization to publish notice of a public budget hearing, which will also establish the maximum budget and the maximum property tax levy for the 2017 budget.

"State law does require that the county hold at least one public hearing each year.

We do typically hold at least two. The state laws further require that we advertise notice of one of those hearings at least 10 days in advance with a specified publication, which is included in your backup materials for this item. The notice must include a summary of the proposed budget that includes the maximum proposed spending for a given year and the maximum property tax levy proposed at a fund the level.

"This date is often referred to as the last up day since the total can't be increased after this date without republishing the required notice and holding an additional public hearing on that revised number. For 2017, the maximum proposed budget for Sedgwick County is \$406,091,994 to be funded with a maximum proposed tax levy of \$133,201,437.

"In accordance with the resolution you approved earlier this year, the proposed levy is based on an estimated mill levy rate of 29.359 mills. In addition to a public hearing to be held on Wednesday, July 27th at 9 a.m., this publication will outline that the final public budget hearing will be held here in this room on Thursday, August 4th at 6 p.m. and budget option is scheduled for August 10th. I'll be happy to stand for any questions. If there are none, I would recommend you authorize the publication."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you for the information. And Commissioners, are there any comments or questions? Then we will ask for public comments on this agenda item. Seeing none, Commissioners what's the will of the board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved to make a motion to authorize the publication.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

Chairman Howell said, "As clarification, there are two motions here. Can we do that one? Are you making a motion for both?"

Ms. Poe-Rousseau said, "This will just be the Sedgwick County."

Chairman Howell said, "

We do have a Fire District meeting at the end of what we're doing right now, so I'm with you. When we get to the Fire, we'll get to the Fire District No. 1 in a little bit.

We have a motion to take the recommended actions there, is there a second?"

Commissioner Unruh said, "I recommend the motion maker read into the minutes the motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Moved to authorize the publication of the notice of public hearing regarding the Sedgwick County 2017 budget, the publication shall include a total budget of \$406,091,994 and a tax levy of \$133,201,437, which is approximately equivalent to 29.359 mills based on the estimated assessed valuation and subject to technical adjustments. I don't think I misstated any of those numbers.

Ms. Poe-Rousseau said, "Thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "Any other comments or questions? We have a motion and a second. Seeing no other discussion, call the vote."

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Aye

Commissioner Norton Aye

Commissioner Peterjohn Aye

Commissioner Ranzau Aye

Chairman Howell Aye

Chairman Howell said, "Madam Clerk, next item, please.

Approved

Presented by: Jodi Besthorn, 4-H Youth Development Agent,
Sedgwick County Extension Office.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Jodi Besthorn, Sedgwick County 4-H Agent, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you for allowing me to come give the Quarterly Report for the Extension Service. Usually you just get me talking, but today we wanted to change it up a little bit, and I've invited some of our 4-H members to come and speak to you and share their perspective of what they learn and do through the 4-H program.

"Certainly our roots are grounded in the agricultural heritage of Animal Science, Foods and Nutrition, and Plant Science, but we evolve and change with the times, and we have been increasing our activity in the STEM related projects of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, and those related projects are, of course, high interest to our young people today. So, we're looking into new areas to continue to evolve the 4-H program.

"New this year was a Wind Energy Project. We recruited a volunteer to provide this eight-week experience for the young people to learn about wind energy, and as a result of that, we have today one of our 4-H members, Evan Snell. He's 10 years old from the Achievers 4-H Club in east Wichita, and he's going to share a little bit about what he's learned and done through the 4-H Wind Energy Project. So I'll invite Evan to the podium.

VISUAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Evan Snell, 272 North Patton Drive, Wichita, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm from the Achievers 4-H club. I am 10 years old. This is my fourth year in 4-H and my first year in the Wind Energy Project. Our county has an amazing 4-H Wind Energy project that has taught me a lot about wind energy. I visited a wind turbine on a field trip and also climbed into a training nacelle and saw how the turbines work.

"I learned all about the safety requirements and equipment to work on the wind turbines. I got to try on one of the harnesses. I was inspired to build my own wind turbine. My goal was to build an inexpensive turbine that would produce enough power to charge a 12 volt battery. We considered several different electric motors as generators.

"I learned how to calculate whether a particular motor had the potential to produce enough power based on its rated voltage. I learned how to, after trying several smaller motors and a larger one from a battery powered sump pump, we settled on a motor from a change machine we found on eBay for \$8. We added a voltage converter and electrical equipment needed to charge a 12 volt battery. We build blades from PVC (poly vinyl chloride), since it's readily available and relatively inexpensive and could be shaped into an airfoil by using the built in curve of the PVC pipe.

"We started with 22 inch long blades cut from green PVC, which worked but required a moderately strong wind to turn the turbine. We upgraded the design to 33 inch blades cut from six inch PVC, which were able to turn the turbine at much lower wind speeds, four and a half to five miles an hour.

"I learned a lot about wind generating and converting electrical power this year and about tradeoffs with different turbine blade designs. We were able to build a generator that could charge a 12 volt battery or light a small light. I entered my wind turbine in the County Fair and was awarded a purple ribbon. Now I get to take my ribbon to the State Fair.

"Finally, I'd like to thank you for supporting 4-H and supporting all the awesome opportunities that I have. Are there any questions?"

Chairman Howell said, "There's got to be some questions. I have a few comments. My whole board just lit right up. You better be here for some answers for a little while. Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh thanked the Chairman and said, "Evan, thank you for a very good report and I want to compliment you on your presentation. It was very clear and you did a great job. You have a lot of self-confidence for a young man, but I suppose that comes from the training you receive in 4-H. You did a very good job. I'm impressed by your technical knowledge. I just learned how to say PCV. The other day, so you're way ahead of me. Good job, and good luck to you."

Chairman Howell said, "You said it wrong."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Did I say it wrong?"

Chairman Howell said, "You said it wrong."

Commissioner Unruh said, "And I didn't do it on purpose either. But anyway, good luck to you at the State Fair."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you very much."

Chairman Howell said, "Alright, other comments. Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "Yes, Evan thank you for the wonderful presentation. You showed an awful lot of poise for a young man. It was very impressive. I was curious, when you went out and took a look at a wind turbine, where did you go to see them?"

Mr. Snell said, "That was at a water treatment plant, and they had a wind turbine, that wasn't working at the time, it was one of the two blade designs."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Oh really, was it in Sedgwick County or somewhere else?"

Mr. Snell said, "I think it was in Sedgwick County."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Okay, Thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "Mr. Snell, you said you're 10 years old is that correct? Are you sure? You seem to be very mature for 10 years old. When I was 10, I wasn't doing anything like what you're doing. I'm very impressed. I'm just curious, what do you plan on being when you get into a career, what is your plan forward?"

Mr. Snell said, "I don't know. I really like engineering, though."

Chairman Howell said, "It sounds like you're an engineering kind of guy. David Spears thinks that's a good idea. See the thumbs up over here? You're a very impressive young man, and I'm a little bit jealous. You've got some experiences that most 10 year olds can just dream about, and you're a fantastic young man, very articulate. You did a great job presenting this morning. You obviously know your stuff, and whoever is helping you is doing a good job."

"The whole project is just fantastic, the idea of generating electricity, using parts for \$8 and using pipe is just an incredible project. I'm very, very impressed. Energy is one of our nation's biggest issues to think about the future so again, I think you're in an interesting topic and you've learned a great deal, so thank you for all you've done this morning. Other comments from Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton thanked the Chairman and said, "Well, I'd like to say that I was impressed, but you know, I look at today's youth, and they're smarter and more technologically advanced than many of us that went to school. But you did a great presentation. I think it's very profound that you picked an alternative energy source to start looking at because your generation is going to drive that conversation in our future."

"So thank you for working on wind energy because one thing we've got in Kansas is plenty of wind, and if you can do it with, what is it PCV, Dave? If you can build it lighter and better and faster through engineering, we're all for it. So thank you for being here today."

Mr. Snell said, "Thank you very much."

Chairman Howell said, "I think we're ready for the next part of this presentation."

Ms. Besthorn said, "So 4-H does not only the hands on learning that you just learned about, but we also help young people develop skills in team work, communication

and leadership, and to share her perspective is an older 4-H member Kate Donahue, a nine year member of a west side Wichita 4-H club. Kate."

Ms. Kate Donahue greeted the Commissioners and said, "I've been involved in 4-H since the age of seven. I'm currently a senior at Maize South High School, so that's about 10 years, because I'm 17. Over the course of my 4-H career, I've been president of my club, on the leadership team for teen Council and currently an Ambassador for Sedgwick County. I think that's enough facts about me.

"4-H to me is more than cows, County Fair and cookies. Stereotypically everybody thinks that 4-H is only for kids who show animals. However, that isn't the case. 4-H is for anyone who thinks to themselves that they want to change the world for the better. 4-H is about working towards the goal of a better future and, after all, the pledge itself tells us that every time we start a meeting.

"The pledge goes, 'I pledge my head to greater thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service and my health to better living. For my club, my community, my country and my world.'

"4-H also stretches on just beyond the county. Thanks to 4-H, I've met people statewide, some even from other states who I now consider to be my friends because of 4-H. 4-H leads to lifelong friendships because of the bond it creates. No matter where someone comes from and what their opinions are, I know that we have the same core values because we're both involved in 4-H.

"4-H also teaches leadership skills. Thanks to its focus on having the kids make decisions for the club in the meetings and encouraging public speaking skills. I used to have a terrible fear of public speaking. However, thanks to 4-H, I have the skills now to be able to talk in front of crowds and to those who have the ability to make a change for the better.

"So even though I encourage everybody to go to both the County and State Fair to look at the 4-H buildings, I also tell them how 4-H betters the community by teaching 4-H'ers they have the ability to change this world for the better starting with the club, their community, their country and eventually the world. Thank you for your time. Are there any questions or comments?"

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Kate Donahue for the information.

Commissioners, any questions or comments? Commissioner Unruh."

Chairman Howell thanked the Chairman and said, "Thank you. Once again, I just want to express appreciation for you being here and continuing to remind us how important an organization 4-H is and how it's impacted your life and helped make you a better speaker and a whole lot of other attributes that we can just see in your presentation but thanks for being here, and you did a very good job."

Ms. Donahue said, "Thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "Kate, thank you for coming out. Great comments, especially, I think I heard several folks who said man they had a very tough time talking in public but they've been able to overcome it, and you did a great job this morning.

"But I would be remiss if I didn't ask you since you said you were from Maize South High School, the county played a little role in helping you get your mascot out there. How is that doing out there?"

Ms. Donahue said, "It's doing pretty good. Had a little bit of issues with Goddard High [School], but it's okay. It made it through it."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Do we need to send the Sheriff out there?"

Ms. Donahue said, "He took care of it. It's fine."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Sounds like a story we'd like to hear later on."

Chairman Howell said, "Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "I just want to say thank you and congratulations both to Evan and Kate. You did a great job. I want to say thank you to the Extension Office for everything they do in the 4-H area. It's a great program for our community."

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved to make a motion to receive and file.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion on the item, and the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Aye

Commissioner Norton Aye

Commissioner Peterjohn Aye

Commissioner Ranzau Aye

Chairman Howell Aye

Commissioner Howell said, "Before we go to the next item. Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton thanked the Chairman and said, "What's next for you Kate? Where are you going to spread the message next?"

Ms. Donahue said, "I'm currently a delegate for the national 4-H congress and I get to go there and learn what other people do for their counties, and my goal in life is to go to college and hopefully start bettering the world through my help in what I've learned through 4-H."

Commissioner Norton said, "Do you know where you're going to go to college and what you're going to study?"

Ms. Donahue said, "It's between KU (Kansas of University) and K-State (Kansas State University)."

Commissioner Norton said, "You're splitting the Commission right now. You just lost somebody in the Commission."

Ms. Donahue said, "I'm looking into majoring in theater design with an emphasis in stage management, which is kind of saying I'm really good at leading people and being in charge, and then two minors, minoring in Spanish and minoring in business management, and with that degree, I am able to lead festivals, public events and I would like to start working for the city or even a state later on. It just depends."

Commissioner Norton said, "Thank you for being here today."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Commissioner Norton. I also wanted to say, I have gone to the 4-H Annual Dinner that they have every year out at the Extension Office, and it's been a great experience to see really, I don't know how many kids, but I'm going to say 100 kids or more that have things to present, and they're doing things actively in this community. They're investing their selves in this community and learning tremendous skill set in public service and all kinds of good things they're doing. It's just great to see what they're involved in. I think I've seen you there, I believe."

Ms. Donahue said, "Yeah."

Chairman Howell said, "I'm pretty sure you said you were an ambassador to the county."

Ms. Donahue said, "Yes."

Chairman Howell said, "Can you please talk about that a little bit?"

Ms. Donahue said, "So when, since I'm an ambassador for the county, I had to interview and then I got picked, and now I have a cool t-shirt. With being an ambassador, that means I get to go to a lot more statewide events and I get to show off what Sedgwick County has to offer, and in July, the ambassadors are planning a thing for 4-H where it's like fun night at the (Sedgwick County) Zoo, and kids get to come, and we get to kind of be like camp counselors."

"So we get to spend the night at the Zoo, and we talk more about 4-H, and then I go to some of the farmers markets and I promote 4-H there as well, And then we also had a statewide camp, I believe, for ambassadors so we can exchange ideas on how to promote 4-H in our community."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you for the explanation. I'm glad you're an Ambassador for the County. I'm an unofficial ambassador. I do my best, but I think you're doing a better job than I am. Anyway, thank you, you've done a great job as well. I agree with my colleagues, you're an excellent speaker. You've done a tremendous job this morning. Thank you for your comments. We've already voted. So I think we're ready for the next item, Madam Clerk."

Received and Filed

C [16-448](#)

PRESENTATION OF THE QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT.

Presented by: Rick Durham, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

PUBLIC COMMENT

VISUAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Rick Durham, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I must say that that's going to be a tough act to follow."

Chairman Howell said, "I was just thinking the same thing. It's already kind of boring already."

Mr. Durham said, "I know. Thank you so much."

Chairman Howell said, "They were a lot of fun. I don't know if they're going to stay or not, but thank you for coming today. It's been a pleasure to meet all of the folks that presented this morning. Now on to the more serious things, and thank you for being here, Mr. Durham."

Mr. Durham said, "At the end of each quarter as you know the Division of Finance reports on Sedgwick County's financial condition. The following quarterly financial report provides an analysis as of the end of the second quarter FY 16 (Fiscal Year 2016). The information contained in this report is based on unaudited financial statements and excludes adjustments that may be required by the county's auditors at a later date.

"You are, however, receiving this quarterly report earlier than normal because of the August meeting schedule. So we chose to provide this update prior to you receiving your book for timeliness of the information. You will receive this document at the normal time at the end of this month and it will be placed on the county's website.

"So this morning I want to provide you some highlights of that report that you'll receive, and again the report is as always prepared by the Budget staff led by Lindsay Poe-Rousseau and her staff, Lorien Showalter Arie, Carli Sanchez and Brandon Mills, and also the Accounting Department directed by Sara Jantz and her staff, but Sara is here alone today. I think her staff is off doing other things.

"We begin with a slide that shows what we project year end revenues, expenditures and fund balances to be in the governmental funds categorized by group, as you see here. So, starting on the left with the general fund, this is the county's primary operating fund. That accounts for county services that do not have a designated fund of their own.

"The general fund includes most General Government and Law Enforcement functions and currently the operation of 42 departments are funded from the General Fund. Expenditures, as you see here are expected or estimated to exceed revenues by \$3.6 million at year end and that is in large part because of one time Capital Improvement Projects, including the Law Enforcement Training Center, the Tag Office and cash funded road and bridge projects.

"Moving to the right, the Debt Service Fund, revenues from Debt Service Funds are estimated to meet almost \$250,000 greater than expenditures. Special Revenue Funds, those property tax supported funds.

"The county has seven other property tax supported funds. Those are Bond and

Interest, EMS (Emergency Medical Service), COMCARE, Aging, Highway, Noxious Weeds and Wichita State [University]. Each of those funds provide services related to a specific function and the property taxes levied in each fund are used only to support those specific functions. So these funds are expected to have a net increase of \$1 million this year and a year-end fund balance of \$8.7 million.

"Other county nontax funds, the county has 31 budgeted other operating funds that are not supported directly with property taxes. These funds are estimated to decrease by \$3.6 million in combined fund balance. Then the next to the last column, the Fire District [No. 1] Fund, this balance is estimated to decrease by \$200,000 by the end of the year and then the far column on the right totals those numbers so you can see the net effect.

"We move now to those County Property Tax supported funds. Revenue collections for county property tax supported funds increased during this period as compared to the same period last year by \$600,000 or excuse me, by .6 percent or \$1.1 million.

"Moving now to expenditures. Expenditures in the county property tax supported funds increased \$3.9 million or 3.2 percent versus the same time period in 2015. Increases are recorded in transfers out of \$7 million and commodities of \$200,000. The increases were offset in decreases in contractual services and debt service. Here we show a year over year percentage change and the overall percentage change is revenues are up .6 percent as I mentioned on a previous slide, and expenditures have increased 3.4 percent.

"Another representation of that same data is a net income of the tax supported funds, and at the end of the second quarter, the net income of \$52.5 million and the difference between last fiscal year is a decrease of \$2.8 million. As we drill down, we look at the top 10 revenues of the county property tax supported funds. Current property tax collections have increased \$1.5 million compared to the first 6 months of 2015.

"Retail sales and use tax increased \$200,000 well, \$170,000. I've done some rounding on my paper here, compared to the same period in 2015, and to note collections in four of the six months have exceeded collections of the same months in 2015. Motor vehicle taxes decreased \$150,000 or 2.5 percent. Mortgage registration fees have decreased versus the same time frame in 2015, and again we have talked about this in the past, but revenue growth in this area will be increasingly difficult to predict as the mortgage registration fees phase out by 2019 while increasing the per page recording fees. As a note, officer fees increased about \$500,000 during that same time period. The total at the end of the quarter as shown on the previous slide for revenues was \$171.1 million.

"As we know that personnel is our largest expenditure. Here are the key personnel expenditures in the county property tax supported funds. The two of note that I will highlight is the decrease in pension contributions, this is due to changes in the rate of KPERS (Kansas Public Employees Retire) and KPF (Kansas Police and Fire Retirement System) from the state, and this is obviously offset by an increase in overtime of about 16.2 percent, and the relatively large decrease you see at the very bottom there, The 23.5 percent in all other is in part largely due to the reduction in work comp [worker's compensation] expenditures.

"Key non-personnel expenditures, so we start at the top. Grant payments or Grant Awards, pardon me, include payments to Exploration Place for the ATC (Air Traffic Control), Wichita State, the Extension Council payments and MAPD (Metropolitan Area Planning Department), and you see there's the dollar change there of \$5.3 million, a decrease in that. That's due to the one-time payment to the Zoo. That's still affecting us this year.

"The 11 percent reduction on interest on debt is due to not issuing new debt and refunding and paying off of old debt. The reductions in fleet charges are attributable to reduction in fuel costs. The increase you see in medical professional services is in large part a function of inmate medical expenses. The large percentage increase in software and hardware maintenance is attributable to MABCD expenses.

"We move now to the nontax special revenue funds. As I stated in the beginning of the presentation, the County has 31 budgeted operating funds which are not supported directly with tax funds. These include Grants, the Enterprise fund and Internal Service funds. So in these nontax special revenue funds for the second quarter, revenues are up \$40.9 million for an increase of \$1.4 million from the same period in 2015.

"Net expenditures in that same fund at the end of the second quarter are at \$37.3 million or a 19 percent decrease or \$4.1 million from the year earlier. That should be a 10 percent decrease, not 19 percent as I stated. It's represented here by this. You can see the 3.7 percent increase in revenue and the decrease in expenditures.

"Here are the top 10 revenues for the nontax special revenue funds. You can see the large decrease in Medicaid fees. That was actually discussed last quarter, because there was a large decrease in that, and a lot of that has to do with changes in what is reimbursable that took effect on January 1st, and it has to do with the way state revenue is taken into account.

"The decrease in federal revenue, the 11.1 percent, is largely due to the HUD (United States Department of Housing and Urban Development) Regional Area Economic Partnership sustainable communities. The county is no longer the fiscal agent for that. Let me try to restate that a little clearer. Sedgwick County is no longer the fiscal agent for the HUD Regional Economic Area Partnership Sustainable Communities' Regional Planning Grant. So that's the decrease that you see there in the federal revenue."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "And I think that's because that expired?"

Mr. Durham said, "That is correct, yes. The State Revenue, the Juvenile Justice that reduction is primarily due to a decreased population, and the reduction you see in the Solid Waste is due to reduced rates.

"Key expenditures here. As you can see, all the expenditures again represented by the 10 percent decrease that I showed on the previous slide, all of our expenditures have decreased in these nontax special revenue funds.

"So I'll to move back to the General Fund, just the General Fund, and what this slide depicts is the total fund balance of the General Fund on a quarterly comparison basis. So the second quarter is identified by the red here. If you follow the red on the five year trend from '11 to '15, and then the current fiscal year, you can see it falls in a very narrow range.

"You can also look back and see that it follows a very clear pattern of spending as we collect taxes and then spend those down at the end of the fiscal year. So you can see the clear trend there.

"This also is the General Fund. As you can see, it follows clearly the same pattern. The County has a policy that it will maintain unrestricted fund balance as a percentage of budgeted expenditures of at least 20 percent. Once again, the second quarter identified by the red data there, that you can see it falls in a very narrow range, and it's a clear pattern as going back.

"Moving now to the investment portfolio. You can see our yield is identified by the blue diamonds. The benchmark identified by the green triangles. You see that, right now we are, our yield is outperforming the benchmark, which is the one year treasury. I jumped over one. Sorry. We're going to move to some significant Capital Projects that are underway. We'll start with the Law Enforcement Training Center. Currently the Developer is working through the Architect and has been conducting meetings with all the stakeholders with a goal of producing an acceptable 30 percent complete design by mid-August.

"The second item, construct a new EMS Southeast Post, those design plans have been completed and will go for review this week. The third item there, the interchange at [Interstate] 235, the first phase is under construction with 10 work areas in progress. The Aviation Pathway, construction on the first phase will be completed in August, and then the re-deck MacArthur over the big river, the westbound bridge

completed in June and the project will be complete in September.

"What we have here is a slide that depicts leading economic indicators as shown on the Center for Economic Development and Business Research from Wichita State (CEDBR). As you can see going back over the past several years, you see the uptick from the 2003. 2007, you see the economic downturn. So what I've done is I've taken and circled that area there that is circled, the past 20 months, in an effort to, maybe zero in on that, to show how flat the growth has been. I've just zeroed in on that. From December 13 through the current quarter, growth has been extremely flat or very slow, in our leading economic indicators."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "I have a question."

Chairman Howell said, "Let's go ahead and take a question from Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau thanked the Chairman and said, "We've been following this and we've been concerned because it's been flat now."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Our Property Tax Revenue projected revenues have gone up more than what we anticipated for next year. Maybe you don't know the answer to this, is that an aberration, is that a sign, I mean these things go up and down do you have any insight from this year on that or is that just one thing that we take it, enjoy it and we're still kind of needing to be cautious because things are just gradually getting better, is that right? Or do we expect any sudden uptick?"

Mr. Durham said, "I don't have any data to truly answer your question. What I would say is caution is advised. But every economic indicator that you look at and everything that you read from the CEDBR's website indicates slower growth in the Wichita area than the state and the national. So to tie the two together with increased property taxes to this, I don't know that we should do that."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Lots of people have opinions. People talk. They're expecting some sort of recession perhaps in the next 12 to 18 months. I don't know. I guess I'd like us to check with the guys out at WSU to see what their thoughts on that are, if there is any validity to that concern. Just about any time you have somebody projecting one thing and another one predicting another. I'd kind of like to have a general opinion on maybe more further out."

Mr. Durham said, "I will get in contact with Jeremy."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "I don't mean to do any intensive research or anything like that. But just kind of get some insight on that."

Chairman Howell said, "Please continue."

Mr. Durham said, "All right. So sticking with the economy, we look at some long-term trends, and again, this is the same data that was presented to you last quarter. As we see in going along our tax base growth is up 1.5 percent. Home sales have increased, mortgages registered increased, sales and use tax as we show on the other top 10 revenues is up and our unemployment rate, the arrow shows up but that's an uptrend not increased unemployment."

"So short-term trend, home sales are up as we compare, let me be clear on what we're comparing here, we're comparing the second quarter of '16 to the second quarter of '15. Our home sales are up. New home permits, down. Mortgages registered is up, and those percentages is a change over that. Don't be confused by looking at 15.4 percent increase in, for example, mortgages registered in the second quarter of '15 to the 2.2 percent in the second quarter of '16. That's a 2.2 percent increase over that, and you can see the remainder of those categories some up, some down."

"Going forward, as I'm going to start summing this up, so we see potential threats, regulation, obviously, the impact of the Fair Labor Standards Act, the FLSA, that you have been briefed on in the past. The suspension of the Department of Justice Federal Asset Forfeiture Program. State programs looking to local funds to fill the gap. The example of that is the increased cost due to inmates in the Adult Detention Facility on a waiting list for admission to the State Hospital. The state budget poses a threat to us."

"The example of Medicaid cuts. Approximately \$4 million in reduced or lost revenue that impacts five programs. Juvenile Justice Reform, the potential SCYP (Sedgwick County Youth Program) closure, and again, the local economy, the slower rate of recovery locally than nationally. Key points to take away, Sedgwick County is in sound financial condition. We do, however, have a projected deficit in 2016 of approximately \$3.6 million. However, we did cash fund about \$9 million of capital projects. We have an increased reliance on taxes to fund our government. The loss of the mortgage registration fee revenue and the Medicaid cuts impact us.

"While revenue grows modestly or in some cases is decreasing, our cost of doing business continues to increase. We have the 271 building as an increased operating cost, and from the statistics in the back of the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) that you received earlier this year, we also have an increase in the average number of monthly 911 calls and increase in the average monthly EMS responses that also are a cost of doing business that continues to increase.

"Through the second quarter, our financial performance is consistent with what we expected to see. We do have deficits projected in 2016, and again to reiterate, our 10-year focus has been increased efforts in Public Safety and Public Works, those tier one activities and decreased efforts in Health, Human Services and General Government, those tier two and three functions, and with that I would stand for any questions that you may have."

Chairman Howell said, "Alright, Mr. Durham, great presentation and I'm sure there's going to be some questions. Before we get to questions, is there anybody in the audience that wants to speak about the presentation or anything else regarding this agenda item? Seeing none, bring it back to the bench. Commissioners, any questions or comments? Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "If we could jump back to slide nine, I want to just kind of walk through with the Grants Awards if we could, Rick. There we go. Ask a question, because it shows a rather dramatic reduction of about a third from 14, almost 14 and a half million down to a little over 9 million between 2015 and 2016 in the Grant Awards.

"My recollection is that the Zoo [elephant] Barn and exhibit was a \$5.3 million expenditure, and if I subtract would it be fair to subtract \$5.3 million if we exclude that at a one-time expenditure item we would be looking at basically the Grant Awards almost being flat. My math has it at 9.18 compared to 9.15. Am I fair in doing it that way in terms of the math or have I missed something?"

Mr. Durham said, "No. That would be fair."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Because basically that one time expenditure created that rather significant change, we went ahead and did that. If we can switch to slide 17 please. I know it's a very busy chart, and it's kind of hard to go through, but by my quick calculation here, the benchmark we're looking at is a little over 40 basis points for the investment side and we actually got right around 80 or just a shade over 80 basis points on it, which meant we almost doubled it."

Mr. Durham said, "That is correct."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Deserving of a very significant atty girl, or for the folks in finance who managed to arrange that. I know I've got my green eye shades out and in the weeds, but I would be remiss if I didn't point that out and call a little bit of public attention to it, because that basically doubled what we'd have if we were operating at the benchmark. I know it's going to fluctuate and always going to be a moving target. Looking at the numbers it goes up and down, but most of the time you look at that solid line as opposed to the dotted line, and the solid line is well above the dotted one. So I wanted to just point that out to my colleagues and to the public."

Mr. Durham said, "To call that person by name that would be Brandi Baily. She manages our investment portfolio. I know she's not present here today, but we'll go ahead and identify her with where the good job is coming from."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "I wanted to get that on the record too. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Howell said, "Real quickly, on slide 17 there can you explain why that's kind of a cyclic looking chart? Why does it have that pattern?"

Mr. Durham said, "The brown bars represent the cash flow and the way that cash is handled, not dissimilar to the slide that shows, you know the gap. So it's income coming in a cycle and then spent down."

Chairman Howell said, "So on the investment portfolio, is it safe to say there are more dollars invested and perhaps that's why there's higher yield."

Mr. Durham said, "Yes."

Chairman Howell said, "Commissioners, other questions or comments?"

Commissioner Peterjohn."

MOTION

Commissioner Peterjohn moved to make a motion to receive and file.

Commissioner Unruh seconded.

Chairman Howell said, "We have a motion and a second. I'd say I would have a lot of questions, except this is very similar to the previous reports we've seen, so most of my questions are. I'm learning about how this works and have less questions about it. I think I understand more of what I'm seeing here this morning."

Mr. Durham said, "And as you get the report in a week and a half next Friday, some of your questions may be answered in having the physical report."

Chairman Howell said, "That would be great. We have a motion and a second.

Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau thanked the Chairman and said, "I have a question actually about the Budget and the resolution that we passed earlier. I just want to clarify.

Because we set a total budget of \$406 million and change, and then the recommended budget that we'd already got seems to indicate \$424 million. Is that..."

Ms. Poe Rousseau said, "That's because the Fire District (No. 1) is included in your total funded 424 million and we'll take that up as a separate item, which will be about \$18 million."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "There, that answers that. Thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "Alright. Seeing no other questions or comments, we have a motion and a second. Madam Clerk, please call the vote."

VOTE

Commissioner Unruh Aye

Commissioner Norton Aye

Commissioner Peterjohn Aye

Commissioner Ranzau Aye

Chairman Howell Aye

Chairman Howell said, "Next item, please."

Received and Filed

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING ON JULY 14, 2016.

Presented by: Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing Department.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Joe Thomas, Purchasing Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "At the meeting that was conducted on July 14th of the Board of Bids and Contracts, results in one item that we present to you this morning.

1. BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT (B477) PUBLIC WORKS FUNDING – B477 CLIFTON.

The recommendation is to accept the low bid from Mies Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$383,321.10.

Mr. Thomas said, "I'll be happy to answer any questions you may have and I recommend approval of this item."

Chairman Howell said, "Any questions or comments? Does anybody in the audience want to speak to the agenda item?"

MOTION

Chairman Howell moved to make a motion to approve the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion and the vote was called.

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Mr. Thomas said, "Thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Mr. Thomas. Next item, please."

Approved

CONSENT

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| E | <u>16-450</u> | CIP Amendment for R-334, Interchange at I-235 and US-54. District 2. |
| F | <u>16-451</u> | Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the KDOT Agreement for Construction of the I-235 and US-54. District 2. |
| G | <u>16-452</u> | Federal Fund Exchange Master Agreement with KDOT. |
| H | <u>16-394</u> | Consideration of a Kansas Department of Corrections - Division of Juvenile Services (KDOC-JS) SFY17 Contract, which continues services contained in the Juvenile Justice Strategic Plan. |
| I | <u>16-455</u> | Resolution for the Interfund Transfer of \$115,941 from the County General Fund to the Corrections Grant Fund. |
| J | <u>16-465</u> | Personnel matters necessary for organizational redesign. |
| K | <u>16-458</u> | General Bill Check Register for July 13, 2016 to July 19, 2016. |
| L | 16-459 | Payroll Check Register for the July 9, 2016 payroll certification. |

Mr. Michael Scholes, County Manager, greeted the Commission and said, "I recommend you approve Consent Agenda Items Echo through Lima."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to make a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.

Chairman Howell said, "We have a motion and a second. Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn thanked the Chairman and said, "I was just going to point out the fact that one of the items on here on the Consent Agenda item E, is an amendment for the work being done at the interchange of I (Interstate) 235 and US (Highway) 54. There's been some talk about this. Since the County is providing 100 percent for the local funding for this state and federal project, I think it was important that it at least get mentioned as part of our discussion here when running it through on the consent side. I'm in support.

"There's also item F that's part of this, too. But I think it's important that this agreement, the recognition that Sedgwick County is providing 100 percent of the local contribution get on the record again. That's all. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Commissioner Peterjohn. Any other comments or questions? We have a motion and a second. Madam Clerk, please call the vote."

VOTE

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

Chairman Howell said, "Madam Clerk, next item, please."

Approved

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Chairman Howell said, "Mr. Von Achen, anything for legislative issues this morning? Don't have anything. Okay. Commissioners, anything you want to raise for Legislative Issues this morning? All right. Seeing none, I'm not going to raise any issues either. So, Madam Clerk, next item, please."

OTHER

Chairman Howell said, "Commissioners, any comments for other this morning? I would raise one issue. I want to just state, the public may or may not have an awareness that Sedgwick County has been meeting with the City of Wichita on a regular basis, and I think that's great that we do that, in terms of the leadership of the county and the leadership of the city getting together, and this last week, we did meet with the Mayor and the Vice Mayor and I appreciate that very much.

"I think we're doing what we can to create peace with the City of Wichita. One item that was raised during our meeting this last week was clarifications over some comments that came out in a news article, and they wanted me to stress and clarify they actually do provide some funding to some things that were mentioned in the news article.

"I'd like to go ahead and state for clarity purposes this morning some of the points that they raised. One of those is the Child Advocacy Center. The County did provide a million dollars in Capital Investment to that project, and of course, it's in the process of actually coming alive right now.

"It's a tremendous facility here in Wichita. It provides a place for the Exploited Missing Children's Unit (EMCU), the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC), Human Trafficking investigations happening there as well, and there's a lot of things that are really important to this community that Sedgwick County did invest \$1 million dollars.

"For clarity, the city also did invest \$300,000 back in 2010. A couple of years they put some money forward, a total of about \$300,000, but they also do provide in their

budget every year \$85,000, but I guess just in contrast, the County puts out \$205,000 every year for operational expenses.

"Both the city and county do have staff there as well. So there's different types of support that we provide. The second thing they wanted to raise was with respect to Exploration Place. One of the things the city did was they provided land for the project and for a long-term lease. Of course, that land is very exclusive because of where it is on the river, and so to allow that land to be utilized for Exploration Place was a commitment from the city, and that allowed the Exploration Place to be built on that location, so that was something that they did.

"It was 20 acres of land, prime real estate. But they also realigned McLean Boulevard, they paid for that. They also, out of their annual mill levy for the Cultural Arts, they do provide about \$50,000 per year over a period of four years from 2012 to 2016, they have provided a total of \$252,000.

"I guess in fairness I do want to highlight the county does provide the principle and interest on that facility, plus operating expenses. The total of principle and interest on the facility plus operating expenses, about \$3.3 million per year since the county has been involved in the program. I do appreciate what the city is providing and for clarity I want to make sure that people understand that they are also invested in some of these projects. Commissioner Ranzau, other comments?"

Commissioner Ranzau thanked the Chairman and said, "Yeah. I'll just piggyback on that. Since I was the one quoted in there I spoke to the reporter on this issue when he came over. That was probably my first mistake.

"He told me the comments of the Mayor, and then I proceeded to tell him hey, well there's some projects that we put more into than they do and vice versa. I told him twice. I'm not complaining about it. I'm not trying to pick a fight. I'm just answering your question, and so unfortunately it's clear that it's political season and some reporters and newspapers have an agenda they want to push, and so they have to push the idea that we're complaining and fighting back and forth.

"I'm just making a statement of fact, answering the questions. Perhaps next time I shouldn't even answer the questions, because when you tell them twice, I'm not trying to pick a fight, I'm just giving you some examples in which we spend more money than they do. I included NCAT (National Center for Aviation Training) out there, because we spend over \$3 million, etcetera.

"But they do, over time, you know, for example, Lake Afton Observatory at one time the city, the School District (USD259) and we were involved and WSU (Wichita State University). Over time, those have dropped off. That's fine. We just kind of go in different directions. That doesn't mean we're fighting about it. We're just doing it. They do their things, and we do our things. We partnership on things, and sometimes we split it 50/50, and sometimes we pay more, and sometimes they pay more. That's okay. That's just how it is.

"But to go back and rehash things that happened eight to ten years ago that have nothing to do with this kind of majority I don't think is particularly helpful. But it is election time and there's the agenda to be pushed by the Wichita Eagle, that's very clear and local establishments like, tax and spend and create the appearance of problems going on when there really isn't. I don't know.

"Maybe one of these days I'll learn my lesson of which reporters to talk to and which ones not to because some of them do a good job of accurately reporting and some have an agenda. Sometimes it doesn't pay to be nice I guess. Thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "Thank you, Commissioner. I just want to say again there's been a lot of comments I think on both sides regarding funding decisions over the years. There's been some issues raised that happened as much as a decade ago. It's frustrating to me to have those items be items of contention. I think it's time to move on.

"Again, if somebody wants to ask you know, what is it that upsets a particular person and there's a long list of things that they might list, the reality is we're not going to be able to go back and address every one of these issues.

"I think it's beneficial for us to find things that are important in both the city and county and try to find those things that we both believe are important and trying to find ways to partner up and move forward.

"That is my desire, and I appreciate the interlocal agreements, the partnerships we have with the City of Wichita to provide services as well as with organizations in this community. We both have provided funding to over the years. So the reality is the city does a great job, and I appreciate what they do. They care very much about the city and they're doing the best they possibly can, and I appreciate that very much.

"I want to just say, I've said to them and I'll say it publicly. I'm pro City, and I'm pro Wichita. If I can do something to promote Wichita or say something good about Wichita, I'm very interested in doing that. I appreciate their leadership, and they do a good job. They have challenges in their budget as everybody does. Everyone has challenges in their budget. Sedgwick County does, as well.

"But to go back and to continue to rehash decisions that were made a long time ago is not necessarily helpful. I'd like to move forward and I'd ask the city to partner with me in trying to find ways for us to find things that are important to the city and the county and we could partner up as best we possibly can.

"There's things that we, as a county we have a separate governing body, we have different tax revenue stream, different funding sources we provide different services. Most of the things we do are different than what the city does. I know they appreciate what we do. I want to maintain the things that we do currently; I think they're important. So anyway, anything we can do to appreciate each other's role in the community I think is important and I think if we can move forward, it's time to do that.

"I would just like to, I think back to what happened I guess a long time ago. When Dave Bayouth and the city met, the former Commissioner met and they did a thing called 'bury the hatchet'. I don't know how to do that, but I would say if we could move forward that's the important thing. I have extended interest in doing that for a long time.

"There seems to be a false narrative in the community that we're continuing to fight and it's the county that's creating all the conflict. I don't think that's fair necessarily to us. I'd just like to say we're doing what we can to create peace with Wichita. Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau thanked the Chairman and said, "I hesitate to say this, but let's be honest. This narrative about city and county fighting, it's really just politically motivated. There have always been differences between the city and county, but this narrative of the city and county fighting didn't start until the City of Wichita got a new Mayor.

"That's just plain and simple. He's partnered with the Wichita Eagle to try and create that narrative. He's attempting to influence the County Commission. He wants his puppet on the County Commission, and it's all political.

"All we can do is continue to do our research, gather the facts, inform the people and make good decisions like we have, continue to move forward and do tremendous things for this community, which we have.

"We've addressed issues like the Law Enforcement Training Center, the Tag Office, the Regional Fire Training Center, the 271 building, projects that have languished for years, if not decades in the past, and we're getting things done. We'll continue to do that. We'll continue to do the right thing. There will be all sorts of false and deceptive narratives.

"If you'd listen to the (Wichita) Eagle and others, you would think there was just terrible problems out at the Zoo. Well, the Zoo is flourishing. It's bringing in more customers, more money than ever. In fact, I'm going to ask the County Manager maybe to give us a report on how they're doing. They're bringing in money hand over fist, and everything is going along good. We're making some good solid decisions.

"Some of these issues and financial issues are complicated and don't make for easy 30 second soundbites in the media and political campaigns, but that's the difference between just complaining in a campaign and actually being able to govern. I think

we've done a fantastic job governing and taking care of Sedgwick County. We'll continue to do that, and we'll continue to work hard and respect the taxpayers of this community. Thank you."

Chairman Howell said, "I just want to, I want to finish out by saying there have been so many false narratives coming out in the media in the last few weeks. I can't even keep up with it all. I generally like to speak to the false narratives and create clarity around the issue. But there have been so many coming out in the media I wouldn't have time in the next hour to get through them all I don't believe."

"There was a discussion about us not accepting grants. Let me just point that out. I got a report yesterday, Sedgwick County currently has 88 grants in place, either already awarded or pending. The total value of those grants is \$30.18 million, 88 grants in place. So the idea that we're not accepting grants is a false narrative."

"There have been some judicious discussions about some of the grants, very few of them actually one of them was about sex education, that the county provided sex education to our public schools in a program that was beyond its design. It was a fourth or fifth year of a program that had already termed out, and I don't believe this was a county responsibility."

"I appreciate the program existed for a while, but the program in my opinion had issues, and the reality is it was \$158,000, and the intent was to teach the schools how to teach the curriculum, and after a number of years, they should have already been able to transfer that teaching over to the schools. That was one that we got rid of."

"Women, Infants and Children (WIC), again, that's a grant that we reduced. \$320,000 in reduction, but we accepted \$100,000 more than we needed to run the program. It's administrative dollars only. So some would say we cut, or we rejected a grant. And again, it's a false narrative, because it's not true. We accepted enough money to run the program in its entirety, and I talked with the Director, Byrne-Lutz less than two weeks ago and had confirmation that the program is running splendidly this year, providing all the benefits they possibly can to all the people coming asking for help, and they've got money to do that. There is no issue with our Women's, Infants and Children, WIC program. It's running as designed. We're following the state law, state rules and regs [regulations] on how to do that, doing exactly what we're supposed to do as a county. And there's a couple of others I could talk about, but the point of it is, we have accepted 88 grants that are in place or are being brought to the county, a total of over \$30 million. So I just wanted to set that false narrative."

"Then the other one I keep hearing and I want to set the record straight, it's in the media today, it's in the media yesterday, a discussion about us cutting the [Sedgwick County] Zoo. Again, this last budget cycle we authorized \$150,000 above the previous year. There was no cut. In fact, they were one of the few organizations that actually had an increase in funding. When we're trying to find ways to resolve our \$10 million shortfall in the fiscal (year) 2016 budget. The Zoo actually had an increase in funding of \$150,000 in our budget. So this idea that we cut the Zoo is a false narrative. I could talk about that for a long time. But nevertheless, we have a fantastic Zoo and it shows the long term investment by Sedgwick County."

"Most of the Zoo has been paid for by Sedgwick County funding. The vast majority of the Zoo has been paid for by Sedgwick County funding over the years. We have a fantastic Zoo, which shows the investment of Sedgwick County and the current board that's here and the ones that were here before me have done a great job of providing funding and what was necessary to make the Zoo so extraordinary. I want to give credit where credit is due."

"This idea that we've got problems at the Zoo is just not true. I'm looking forward to the report that Commissioner Ranzau requested. I believe it shows that we've got record level revenue flowing into the Zoo this year. That's the truth. We do have a need for a, does anybody else want to speak on "Other" before we go to Fire District (No. 1)? Seeing none, we are going to need to move to the Fire District."

The Board of County Commissioners recessed into Fire District Number 1 from 10:30

*a.m. and returned at 10:31 a.m.
Chairman Howell said, "Madam clerk, next item please."*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 30 minutes to consider personal matters of nonelected personnel in consultation with an attorney for this Commission, which would be deemed privilege and attorney client relationship and that the board of County Commissioners return to this room from Executive Session no sooner than 11:03 a.m. The Executive Session is required to protect the County's financial interest and right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position.

*Chairman Howell seconded the motion.
There being no further discussion a vote was called.
VOTE*

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Chairman Howell said, "We're in executive session until 11:03 a.m.
The Board of County Commission recessed into a Executive Session at 10:31 a.m.
and returned at 11:17 a.m.
Chairman Howell said, "We are back from Executive Session and no binding action
was taken. Commissioners, anything else before we dismiss or adjourn? Mr.
Manager, anything else?"
Mr. Scholes said, "Nothing more."
Chairman Howell said, "Alright, well, I think that's it for today. We are adjourned.
Thank you.
Approved*

ADJOURNMENT

*There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned
at 11:17 a.m..*

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
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