

Sedgwick County

525 North Main Street 3rd Floor
Wichita, KS 67203



*Sedgwick County...
working for you*

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

9:00 AM

BOCC Meeting Room

Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners

Pursuant to Resolution #007-2016, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on January 20, 2016, members of the public are allowed to address the County Commission for a period of time limited to not more than five minutes or such time limits as may become necessary.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of Sedgwick County, should contact the office of Crissy Magee, Sedgwick County ADA Coordinator, 510 N. Main, Suite 306, Wichita, Kansas 67203. Phone: 316-660-7056, TDD: Kansas Relay at 711 or 800-766-3777

Email: Crissy.Magee@sedgwick.gov, as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event. Please include the name, location, date and time of the service or program, your contact information and the type of aid, service, or policy modification needed.

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 9:09 a.m. on October 3, 2018 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman David T. Dennis, with the following present: Chair Pro-Tem Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Michael B. O'Donnell II; Commissioner Richard Ranzau; Commissioner James M. Howell; Mr. Michael Scholes, County Manager; Mr. Thomas Stolz, Deputy County Manager; Mr. Eric Yost, County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Assistant County Manager of Public Works, Facilities Maintenance, Project Services and County Engineer; Mr. Robert Timmons, Division Chief, Fire Department; Mr. Tavis Leake, Fire Chief, Fire Department Ms. Kristen McGovern, Senior Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kate Flavin, Public Information Officer; Ms. Heddie Page, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

*Ms. Lynn Kohr, 1227 South Oliver, Wichita, Kansas
Mr. Dennis Clary, REALTORS of South Central Kansas*

INVOCATION: Pastor Caleb Bowman, Calvary Baptist Church.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

PUBLIC AGENDA

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. I have one individual signed up to speak on the public agenda, Lynn Kohr. Now we are going to do a proclamation, if you want us to wait until that point, I'll be calling for you then."

Ms. Lynn Kohr, 1227 South Oliver, greeted the Commissioners and said, "That's fine."

Chairman Dennis said, "Okay. Well with that, I don't have anyone else signed up. Is anyone in the audience that didn't have a chance to sign up, would they like to speak in the public agenda at this time? Seeing no one, Madam Clerk, next item."

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- A** [18-767](#) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2018.
All Commissioners were Present.

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, Madam Clerk. Commissioners, all of us have had

a chance to review the minutes from September 5th, September 12th and September 19th.”

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 5, 2018, September 12, 2018 and September 19, 2018.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, “Next item, please.”

Approved

- B** [18-768](#) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2018.
All Commissioners were Present.
Action for this item was taken with item A.

- C** [18-779](#) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2018.
All Commissioners were Present.
Action for this item was taken with item A.

PROCLAMATIONS

- D** [18-781](#) PROCLAMATION DECLARING MENTAL ILLNESS AWARENESS WEEK.
Read by: Chairman David T. Dennis or his designee.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the proclamation.

Chairman Dennis said, “Thank you. Commissioners, I have a proclamation that I'd like read this morning.”

WHEREAS, every year hundreds of Sedgwick County residents face the reality of living with mental illness and during the first full week of October, participating organizations bring awareness of mental illness to our community; and

WHEREAS, mental illnesses are more common than cancer, diabetes or heart disease and affect 1 out of every 5 people, touching every age, race, gender, religion and income. More than two thirds of Sedgwick County residents who have a mental illness live in the community and lead productive lives; and

WHEREAS, mental illnesses are not the result of personal weakness or lack of character and are treatable. Most people diagnosed with a mental illness can experience relief by seeking treatment; and

WHEREAS, NAMI, Via Christi Behavioral Health, COMCARE, the Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas, the Robert J. Dole Veterans Administration Medical Center, Breakthrough Club, Project Independence, Prairie View and many other Sedgwick County community organizations continue to provide treatment, support, education and advocacy to help improve the lives of individuals affected by mental illness.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Chairman David T. Dennis, and the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the week of October 7-13, 2018, as

MENTAL ILLNESS AWARENESS WEEK

Sedgwick County is dedicated to increasing public awareness of mental illness in our community and asks that you reach out to someone who needs help. No one should have to confront mental illness alone.

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to adopt the proclamation.

Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner O'Donnell II</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Dennis</i>	<i>Aye</i>

County Clerk has assigned Resolution #135-2018

Chairman Dennis said, "Commissioners, we have Lynn Kohr here to receive the proclamation and to make a statement. Thank you and welcome."

Ms. Kohr said, "Thank you. Commissioners, this Sunday the Wichita affiliate of NAMI, the National Alliance of Mental Illness will kick off National Mental Illness Awareness Week with a candlelight ceremony. It will be held at Wichita State University (WSU) and will be sponsored by NAMI-Wichita (National Alliance of Mental Illness),

Ascension's Via Christi Health, Breakthrough Club, COMCARE, the Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas (MHASCK) and the Department of Psychiatry and Behavior Services at KU (University of Kansas) School of Medicine and Prairie View, [Inc.]. We are anticipating attendance of approximately 200 people. This year Ascension's Via Christi Health presents Bob Tryanski an award winning writer, speaker and storyteller from Lawrence, Kansas, with 'Out of the Shadows, Into the Story'. Bob's personal stories that are both tragic and funny and touch on the difficult topics of mental illness and suicide.

"These are not just topics, but a part of life for millions of Americans and hundreds in Sedgwick County. One-in-five adults in America experiences a mental health disorder in a given year. This is likely true for Sedgwick County as well. These stories do not differentiate between race, religion, age, or income and are biological in nature. They are no one's fault. Fewer than one-third of adults and one-half of children with a diagnosable mental health illness receive mental health services in a given year. However, the agencies I listed as sponsors of our candlelight ceremony and many other Sedgwick County community organizations strive to increase those numbers and reach as many people living with mental illness in our communities as we can.

"They provide valuable and effective services and treatment for mental illnesses and prove that treatment works. I am proof. Twenty-seven years ago I was told I would never be able to live outside the nursing home I was living in because of my mental illness. However like many others, I'm now living independently and productively in the community, largely due to services I received from some of those organizations I mentioned. Treatment works. I'm happy. There was a time I thought that would be impossible.

"But the treatment, support, education, advocacy provided by these organizations, the lives of many more individuals living with mental illness in our communities and our families can also be improved and possibly they too can be happy as well. That can be a wonderful and possible outcome. Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you very much, and thank you for being here. We appreciate your bringing this proclamation forward to us, and we appreciate your testimony today."

Ms. Kohr said, "Thank you very much."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Madam Clerk, next item."

Adopted

E [18-783](#)

PROCLAMATION DECLARING FIRE PREVENTION WEEK.

Read by: Chairman David T. Dennis or his designee.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the proclamation.

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioners, I have a proclamation that I'd like to read."

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our community; and

WHEREAS, fires, specifically home fires, are a serious public safety concern both

locally and nationally. In 2016, 475,000 structure fires occurred: resulting in 2,950 civilian deaths, 12,775 civilian injuries, and \$7.9 billion in property damage, according to the U.S. Fire Administration; and

WHEREAS, three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in homes without working smoke alarms. Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in home fires in half; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County residents who have planned and practiced a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 Fire Prevention Week theme is, 'Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware fire can happen anywhere.' Look for places fire can start, Listen for the sound of the smoke alarm, and Learn two ways out of each room. Look for exit signage as you enter businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Chairman David T. Dennis, and the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim October 7-13th, 2018 as

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

and urge Sedgwick County residents to have an escape plan for their home, know at least two ways out, have working smoke detectors, and to support public safety activities and efforts of Sedgwick County's fire and emergency services.

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to adopt the proclamation.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

County Clerk has assigned Resolution #136-2018

Chairman Dennis said, "I want to welcome Division Chief Robert Timmons from Sedgwick County Fire District No. 1."

Mr. Robert Timmons, Division Chief, Fire Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Fire Prevention Week's history is in remembrance of The Great Chicago fire, which occurred on October 8th, 1871, and burned into the next day with the most

severe damaging occurring on October 9th. In 1920, President Woodrow Wilson issued the first National Fire Prevention Day proclamation. Since 1922, the second week of October has been designated as Fire Prevention Week.

"This year, Fire Prevention Week is October 7th through the 13th. On Tuesday October 9th, the Fifth Grade Fire Prevention Adventure is taking place in coordination with the Sedgwick County Zoo, where area fifth grade students from all over the county will attend. We have a new record of signees. We're going to have over 3,000 students and teachers in attendance there.

"Our fire crews will also be conducting fire drills and demonstrations at all area schools throughout the week within the district. The safety message for this year is 'Look, Listen and Learn. Be aware, fire can happen anywhere. Know two ways out of every room.' I would also like to add when you go into a building, especially if you are not familiar with it, take a look around at exit signs.

"You will even notice in the room here, there are two different exits. So when you go into a commercial buildings or wherever you are at in the community, always take a look and see where the exit signs are because you never know what is going to happen or when it is going to happen. We'd like to thank you for accepting the proclamation."

Chairman Dennis said, "Well thank you, Chief. I appreciate you bringing this to us and making sure that we protect our community as part of the responsibility of the [Governing Body] Board of Fire District No. 1, and we take that responsibility seriously. But while I've got you here, and I know the Chief's in the back of the room. I want to first of all, thank all of our first responders and firefighters.

"On Sunday, we had a great event downtown at the Wichita [Kansas Fallen] Firefighters Memorial, and they recognized 124 firefighters who lost their lives in Kansas. It's the Kansas [Fallen Firefighters] Memorial, that were defending the public. I sincerely appreciate all of the people that were there that were helping recognize those, because we need to remember. We need to remember those, remember the families of those that gave the ultimate sacrifice. They are true everyday heroes, and I thank them very much.

"Also on a personal note, one of the things that I have been working on for some time was to include my uncle's name on that memorial. When I first went down and looked at it, I knew of the history of my uncle, but his name wasn't on the memorial. So I collected all the documentation and provided it to the firefighters down there, and they were fantastic. I've never worked with some people that were more interested in making sure that we honor all of the heroes that have given their lives. So I want to give them a special thanks for the aid they gave me to make sure my uncle's name was put on the wall.

"So we identified, unfortunately, four individuals that had lost their lives that's names hadn't been on the memorial before, and they are on there now, and I just, as a personal note, want to thank everyone that was involved in that, and for the recognition each year. Thank you, Chief."

Division Chief Timmons said, "Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

Adopted

APPOINTMENTS

F [18-792](#) ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF JESSICA MOUNTS (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT) FROM THE SEDGWICK COUNTY THIRD DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD.
Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the Resignation.

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Jessica Mounts is a valued member of my Citizen's [Third District] Advisory Board As a matter of fact, she's been the Chair for about a year and a half now.

"She's very vital to our citizen's advisory board, but she has other things that she needs to do right now."

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to adopt the resolution.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner O'Donnell II</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Dennis</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

Approved

G [18-769](#) RESOLUTION APPOINTING MILES MILLSPAUGH (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT) TO METROPOLITAN AREA BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT BOARD OF CODE STANDARDS AND APPEALS.
Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the resolution.

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Howell, do you want to make a statement."

Commissioner Howell thanked the Chairman and said, "I do. I think Counselor Yost may want, I see your name on here as presented by. Do you have anything you need to say first?"

Mr. Eric Yost, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Well item G is

simply the resolution appointing Mr. Millspaugh to the MABCD (Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department) Board of Code Standards and Appeals in the real estate position. That position is a BoCC appointment."

Commissioner Howell said, "Sure."

Mr. Yost said, "It has been held by Mr. Warren Willinberg who resigned. The appointment of Mr. Millspaugh would be to fill the unexpired term, which ends July 31st of 2019."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay. Mr. Chairman, thank you for the recognition. I would like to make a motion, and let me explain before I do that. I don't know Mr. Millspaugh, I'm sure he is a fine person, and I am not for him or against him. I trust the wisdom of those that have brought his name forward. But I am concerned that the process that we followed this time isn't exactly what I would like it to be. So I found out recently that, well first of all, this is a real estate position for this board, and we do have an organization in this community called the REALTORS of South Central Kansas (RSCK), and with that information, I think it's reasonable that they would have an input into the process.

"So I know there's at least two individuals that were considered up to this point, and I think that the REALTORS of South Central Kansas would certainly want to look at those two individuals again, and possibly others, and I would like to ask them to bring this before their own board and discuss it and bring back whatever their opinion is. We will be willing to go with that, or in another direction at that time. But I think we right to follow that process, and so there's not an urgent need to do this today. I would like to therefore make a motion that we would set this back for one month to give them time to do that. So my motion is to deter this, I should say, to delay this for one month to give them the opportunity to discuss and bring back their thoughts."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner O'Donnell."

Commissioner O'Donnell thanked the Chairman and said, "I do not mind delaying it, but I would like to amend that motion, make a substitute motion for two weeks. I think that would give staff and everybody time, if the carrier of the original motion is okay with that?"

Commissioner Howell said, "If that's, as long as they have a chance to meet during that time that's fine. So I would be glad to amend my motion based on your substitute."

Mr. Mike Scholes, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Before you go on Commissioners, 10th and 24th are our next meetings. So two weeks wouldn't, that would be three weeks, so 24th maybe."

Chairman Dennis said, "Okay, do you want to amend it for the 24th?"

MOTION

Commissioner Howell moved to defer this appointment until October 24, 2018.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

Chairman Dennis said, "Okay. We have a motion and a second, any further discussion? Before we take a vote on it, I know we have some folks in the audience. I don't know if anyone would like to speak on this now or wait until the next time that we bring this up. Please state your name for the record."

Mr. Dennis Clary, Government Affairs Director, REALTORS of South Central Kansas, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are the local affiliate of the National Association of Realtors (NAR), which is the largest trade association in the nation representing over three million realtors nationwide, 2,000 of which operate within South Central Kansas, for the four county area that we cover. Also accounting for nearly 20 percent of our local economy by way of their transactions.

"Our request today is really predicated on an aspiration to be a value added partner with the county, trusted counsel and the subject matter expert and voice of real estate throughout the region. When I learned of the real estate vacancy on the [Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department] on Board of Code Standards and Appeals, it appeared to be a great opportunity to further positive relations with the county. With that, we appreciate the deferral and the postponement of this appointment so our association may simply add to the breadth and depth of the candidate pool for Director Labrum's consideration. Very much appreciate the opportunity to engage in this process. Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Dennis thank you for being here, appreciate it. Does anyone else in the audience wish to speak on this issue? Seeing none, Madam Clerk, call the roll."

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

Deferred

H [18-771](#)

RESOLUTION APPOINTING NICOLE HELMS (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT) TO THE GRIEVANCE BOARD IN THE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE POSITION.

Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Resolution.

Chairman Dennis said, "Mr. Yost."

Mr. Yost said, "Mr. Chairman, item H is a resolution appointing Nicole Helms to the Sedgwick County Grievance Board in the classified employee position. This position had been held by Candace Barnes, whose term expired on August 23rd of 2018.

"This term is for two years and will expire October 2nd, 2020. Ms. Helms is not expected to be present. I would urge adoption of this resolution."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Do I have a motion?"

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to adopt the resolution.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

County Clerk has assigned Resolution #137-2018

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

Adopted

NEW BUSINESS

- I [18-700](#) REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2018.
Presented by: Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing.

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

Chairman Dennis said, "Good morning."

Ms. Kristen McGovern, Senior Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Board of Bids and Contracts on September 27th, 2018, resulted in six items. Today, I am requesting that items two and three be tabled until a future BoCC meeting. Today I will be presenting items one, four, five and six for your approval.

1. 911 BACK-UP--EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FUNDING -- EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

"The recommendation is to accept the quote from Voice Products Service, LLC and establish contract pricing.

2. INTERNET CIRCUIT (CENTURYLINK, INC.)--INFORMATION

TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT SERVICES (ITSS)
FUNDING -- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT SERVICES

TABLED

3. INTERNET CIRCUIT (COX BUSINESS)--INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
AND SUPPORT SERVICES (ITSS)
FUNDING -- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT SERVICES

TABLED

4. SURPLUS PROPERTY AUCTION SERVICES--DIVISION OF FINANCE
FUNDING -- DIVISION OF FINANCE

"The recommendation is to accept the best proposal from Purple Wave, Inc. dba Purple Wave Auction and establish contract pricing for three (3) years with two (2) one (1) year options to renew.

5. LAKE AFTON PARK ACCESSIBLE BOAT DOCK AND PARKING--PROJECT
SERVICES
FUNDING -- ADA COMPLIANCE-16+

"The recommendation is to accept the low bid from Bauer & Son Construction in the amount of \$65,900.

6. SEDGWICK COUNTY PARK - ADA IMPROVEMENTS & VAULT RESTROOM
FACILITY -- PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING -- ADA COMPLIANCE-16+VAULT TYPE TOILET SCP

"The recommendation is to accept the low bid from Bauer & Son Construction in the amount of \$246,800.

"I will try and answer any questions you may have, and I recommend approval of these items."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioners, does anyone have any questions on any of the items that from Bid Board? Seeing none."

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the Board of Bids and Contracts' regular meeting on September 27, 2018 items 1, 4, 5 and 6.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

<i>Commissioner O'Donnell II</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Dennis Aye

Ms. McGovern said, "Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

Approved

CONSENT

Chairman Dennis said, "Mr. Manager."

Mr. Scholes said, "Commissioners, recommend you approve consent agenda items Juliet (J) through Quebec (Q)."

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve consent agenda items Juliet (J) through Quebec (Q).

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II Aye

Commissioner Ranzau Aye

Commissioner Howell Aye

Commissioner Unruh Aye

Chairman Dennis Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

- J** [18-770](#) Agreement between Sedgwick County and Erin is Hope Foundation, Inc. for controlled access to certain roadways.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- K** [18-772](#) Approval of an agreement with American Society of Civil Engineers for the Sedgwick County Adopt a Highway Program on Greenwich Road between 29th Street North & 45th Street North. District 1.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- L** [18-778](#) Nine (9) Vendor Contracts to Provide In-Home Services for Older Americans Act (OAA), Title III B and III E for FY2019.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- M** [18-777](#) Plat.
Approved by Public Works. The County Treasurer has certified that taxes in 2017 and all prior years have been paid for the following plat:

ISLAMIC CEMETERY ADDITION

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- N** [18-757](#) Treasurer Claim Certification.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- O** [18-793](#) General Bill Check Register for September 19th, 2018 - September 25th, 2018.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- P** [18-812](#) General Bill Check Register for September 26th, 2018 - October 2nd, 2018.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- Q** [18-749](#) Payroll Check Register for the September 15th, 2018 payroll certification.
Approved on the Consent Agenda

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Chairman Dennis said, "Mr. Yost, anything?"

Mr. Yost said, "No, nothing new."

Chairman Dennis said, "Alright. When are we going to address our legislative issues?"

Mr. Yost said, "Well, I think October 30, I think we have a staff meeting set for October 30th, is it?"

Mr. Scholes said, "Correct."

Chairman Dennis said, "Okay. I got a note from the [Wichita-Metro] Chamber [of Commerce] the other day, and they are interested in trying to put something together with the city of Wichita, Sedgwick County and the Chamber, so we need to start thinking about that in the near future. Very good. Next item, please."

OTHER

Chairman Dennis said, "Good. Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau thanked the Chairman and said, "Yes, I have some questions, actually, for the Manager or anyone here from the Fire [Department] on, just following up on the agreement with the city of Wichita. A couple things I want to make sure we are clarifying. One of the things it says is that we need to get policies. Each entity needs to get each other's policies to make sure that there's no conflicts. So that's the first question, I want to make sure we get a copy of the Wichita city policies, and they get a copy of ours, that's number one. Then it talks about additional unit responses can be requested but must be approved by the authority having jurisdiction based on their internal policy. I think it's important that both entities understand what those internal policies are."

"I have suggested to the Chief that our internal policy be put in writing, so that

everybody knows what, who can request additional resources here in the Fire District, and that we need to make sure we understand the policy of the city of Wichita. It doesn't say this policy has to be written. I think it should be written, because there was some discussion, because I know when the incident happened in Andale, I know what their written policy was, and based on the written policy, there was no violation of their policy with that vehicle going out there. But there was some discussion about whether or not there had been a verbal change or not. I mean, I think we need to iron that down. If there's any changes to it on either side of the street, I think it needs to be in writing.

"Then both policies, whatever the policies of both entities needs to make sure it's clearly communicated to 911, so they'll know the procedures to follow. So this is some issues that I, and I want to make sure it gets done and gets done really in a timely manner.

Mr. Tavis Leake, Fire Chief, Fire Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "As for the operational procedures, some of those are in dispatch already. Like if we have a house fire, it will tell what the city of Wichita is going to send in, and it also shows what Sedgwick County is going to send. So the operational procedures, although they are not written for us to share, they are in dispatch that shows what units are going to respond to what."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Well, what about the policy for requesting more?"

Chief Leake said, "Assuming that..."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "I had a conversation..."

Chief Leake said, "Right."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "...with you about getting policy from city of Wichita, they seem reluctant to want to give us their policies, but this agreement states that both entities will get each other's policies."

Chief Leake said, "Right, it's currently in the written agreement, but it is not in policy form. We're working on that. Matter of fact, we have a draft to put item 14, which is the one you referenced, into a policy."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Well they have a current written policy. I guess our staff negotiated this, we need to make sure we follow it and cover ourselves, get a copy of their policies and procedures, because it says we're supposed to get it to make sure that, make sure there's no conflicts, with the you know. All operational procedures will be made available and reviewed by each agency for potential conflicts and basic familiarization. I'm not convinced that's been done in the past. It was in the previous agreement as well. I think we need to do this to make sure what the policies are, I mean."

Chief Leake said, "We can work on that for sure."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Alright."

Chief Leake said, "Absolutely."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "I'd like, Mr. Manager, whoever or Rusty, somebody needs to take those issues and get it done and make sure what their written policy is, what ours is and everybody knows it."

Chief Leake said, "Okay."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "That's all, Mr. Chair."

Chairman Dennis said, "Okay. Does anyone else have anything? While the Chief is there, one thing that we did several months ago, and we removed several homes in the county from paying into Fire District No. 1. I don't know what the process is, so that we don't respond to those homes. So at some point could somebody get back with me, so if they call into 911, we know that Fire District No. 1 is not the one that responds, that they notify the other fire agency. So, I just want to know how 911 knows that."

Chief Leake said, "Okay. Sure. Absolutely."

Chairman Dennis said, "While you are here also, I already made mention of the ceremony. I know that Chief Leake was one of the people that helped put that on and participated in the ceremony. I want to thank him personally."

Chief Leake said, "Alright. Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Okay, anyone else have anything for Chief Leake? Okay, thank you."

Chief Leake said, "Alright."

Chairman Dennis said, "Anyone else have anything that they would like to bring up during 'other'? Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to, I guess, thank Congressman Estes. The Mitch Mitchell Floodway made a major step forward this week, and I think it has one more stop before it becomes law, if I understand correctly. But to honor him, his legacy and his importance to this community in saving, literally, billions of dollars in property damage over the last several decades, we will be able to reflect on his addition to our safety for this community. Anyway, so to honor him, that naming of what we call the big ditch, or whatever, is going to be, hopefully, changed to his name very soon, and I want to say thank you to Congressman Estes for his hard work. The hardest part is behind us. All we have to do now is just finish it up, so it's coming. I want to say this is a good accomplishment for this community. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. I echo your comments. I received a call from Congressman Estes's office earlier this week informing us, and we got out a press release with a brand new Director of Communications, Van, got that out immediately. We appreciate that. But we sincerely appreciate Congressman Estes's efforts in this. It's now gone to the Senate, and both of our senators are supportive of this and trying to work it through the Senate. So I have every expectation that this will become a reality in the near future. I want to thank everyone involved."

"I don't see anything else, so I would like to bring up one item. We already talked about it at the beginning, but this afternoon we are going to have a press conference

on the [Sedgwick County] Zoo, and they are going to unveil a process that they've gone through now for the past six months to do, they've built both a master plan and a strategic plan. Hopefully, everyone had a chance to read about it in the newspaper today. It's an exciting time for our zoo.

"So I look forward to the press conference later this afternoon. So stand by for a little further detail on what the zoo has planned. I don't see anything else under 'other.'
Madam Clerk, next item."

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session for 30 minutes until 10:10 a.m. to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual. At the outset of this executive session, only five Commissioners will be present. The Manager and Counselor should remain available should their participation be requested by a majority of the Commissioners and that the Board of County Commissioners returns to this room from executive session no sooner than 10:10 a.m.

Commissioner Dennis seconded the motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	No
Commissioner Howell	No
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "We're going to recess for 30 minutes, and we will be back in this room. Thank you."

The Board of County Commission recessed at 9:40 a.m. and returned at 10:18 a.m.

Approved

18-876

RETAIN THE SERVICES OF OUTSIDE COUNCIL TO INVESTIGATE
SEDGWICK COUNTY FOR ANY PERSONNEL ISSUES.

Presented by: Commissioner Dave Unruh, 1st District.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Retain Services of outside council.

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to retain the services of outside counsel to investigate Sedgwick County for any personnel issues.

Commissioner Dennis seconded the motion.

Chairman Dennis said, "Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Without having a written scope and objectives for this motion, so that I can understand exactly what the intent is and considering all the shenanigans that's been going on around here, I cannot support this motion."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Just to follow-up on Commissioner Ranzau's comments, I believe that the scope needs to be determined by Commissioner Ranzau and I to sit down and determine the scope. We bring it back to an executive session for an approval at the next meeting. Any further discussion?"

Commissioner Howell said, "Yeah, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Dennis said, "Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "So make sure I understand correctly. We're going to retain outside counsel..."

Chairman Dennis said, "Outside counsel."

Commissioner Howell said, "...to investigate a personnel issue, and you're going to bring back that scope next week. So they will not get started before we have a chance to look at that and agree to that scope."

Chairman Dennis said, "We will need the outside counsel to probably sit in with Commissioner Ranzau and I when we draw up the scope."

Commissioner Howell said, "But before they get started, I will get a chance to see that scope."

Chairman Dennis said, "We will approve the scope at the next executive session."

Commissioner Howell said, "I will just say I think, I agree with Commissioner Ranzau and so I'm probably going to vote no. But I just like to encourage anybody that has concerns about whatever is going on in Sedgwick County has a, I have an open door. Please come talk to me, and I would be glad to hear you, and I will love to know more about what's really going on. So anybody has anything that they want talk to a Commissioner about, I hope they will come and talk with me. Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. We have a motion and a second on a personnel issue, so no further comments will be made by me. Any further discussion? Seeing none, Madam Clerk, call the roll."

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	No
Commissioner Howell	No
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "Anything else need to come before the Commission? Seeing nothing."

Retain Services

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.