

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

December 17, 2003

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., on Wednesday, December 17, 2003 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Tim Norton; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Thomas G. Winters; Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Carolyn McGinn; Commissioner Ben Sciortino; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. Randy Duncan, Director, Emergency Medical Services; Ms. DeAnn Konkell, Community Liason Program Manager, Division of Public Safety; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development; Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Mr. Ron Holt, Director, Division of Culture, Entertainment and Recreation; Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Mark Masterson, Director, Department of Corrections; Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging; Ms. Peggy Baker, Supervisor, Communicable Disease Clinic, Health Department; Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum; Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Chief Gary Curmode, Fire District #1; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Ms. Carol Bradford, Inter-Faith Ministries.

Mr. Don V. Meyers, District #82 State Representative.

Ms. Jackie Berger, Vice President of Communications, Raytheon Aircraft Corporation.

Mr. John Hartzler, CEO, Global Polymers.

Mr. Russ Ewy, Agent for Applicant, Baughman Company.

Mr. Michael Kellam, KPTS.

Ms. Sue Castile, Executive Director, National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ).

Ms. Kathy Williams, Co-Chair, Wichita Center for Crime Victims Planning Task Force.

Ms. Lisa O'Dell, Co-Chair, Wichita Center for Crime Victims Planning Task Force.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Reverend Gayle Tenbrook of Immanuel Baptist Church, Wichita.

FLAG SALUTE

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ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, December 3, 2003

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of December 3, 2003.

Chairman Norton said, "The Minutes are before you. What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 3, 2003.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

PROCLAMATION

A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING DECEMBER 31, 2003 AS "CELEBRATE SAFELY DAY."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, I would like to read the following proclamation into the record.

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the practice of celebratory gunfire is a danger to our families and community, and discharging firearms into the air is a serious crime; and

WHEREAS, bullets fired into the air can travel up to 2 ½ miles and fall with 50% of the force with which they are discharged; and

WHEREAS, falling bullets from celebratory gunfire will kill and injure people across the United States every year; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County citizens deserve a healthy environment for children, families and businesses.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim December 31, 2003 as

“CELEBRATE SAFELY DAY”

in doing so, we remind the people of Sedgwick County to promote the Celebrate Safely Campaign and to actively work to end the practice of celebratory gunfire in our community.

Dated December 17, 2003.

Commissioners, what is the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to adopt the Proclamation and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

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VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, “And I understand that Carol Bradford with Inter-Faith Ministries is here to accept, and an entourage.”

Ms. Carol Bradford, Inter-Faith Ministries, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Thank you very much. I actually brought some of the Celebrate Safely crew with me today to accept this on behalf of the whole group. With me is . . . I’ve only known him for four years and I blanked on his name, Jerry Gadish, Derik Gingrich and Josh Chitum and together we work, along with several other folks, including Sedgwick County Sheriff’s officers and Wichita Police Department folks, together we work every year to remind folks that celebratory gunfire is still a problem in our community. That, as you said, bullets fired into the air can travel up to two and a half miles before they return to earth and when they do return to earth they come down with more than enough force to harm or kill someone. And to remind folks that every New Year’s Eve, when Wichita does not experience an injury or a fatality we’re blessed, because every New Year’s Eve there are communities in our country that are killed . . . in which folks are killed or injured because of this problem. So I really want to thank you for recognizing this and taking the time to remind our community that this continues to be a problem and it’s something that we can solve. Thank you.”

Chairman Norton said, “Carol, don’t run off. Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “I just want to say thank you Carol and Mid-Town Association folks for bringing this awareness to our community. You’ve done this about four years now, is that right?”

Ms. Bradford said, “Since 1994.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “A lot longer than four years.”

Ms. Bradford said, “Jerry has been working on it a really long time, with the folks from Historic Mid-Town Citizens Association and some of the other neighborhoods.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Are you having any celebration like Saturday?”

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Ms. Bradford said, “Actually, this year what we’re going to do is have a neighborhood canvas on Monday, December 29th. We’re getting folks from the police department and volunteers from all across Wichita will go out and canvass, come back for a pizza party and so that’s the celebration.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Oo, you got my attention, that’s Italian soul food.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “All right, so you’re doing something a little different this year, that’s great. And again, thank you for bringing the awareness up, because you know, I guess that’s been tradition for years and years and I don’t think people really realize what happens to the bullets once they shoot the gun off.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “What goes up must come down.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Yes, so thank you for bringing this awareness up.”

Chairman Norton said, “Well I’ve found out, over the years, that a sauce pan and a ladle make a lot of noise, if you can get your wife to agree to let you use that sauce pan. So, we do hope that people will celebrate in a manner that is fun and does celebrate the New Year but is safe for themselves and the people around them. Thank you for bringing that forward to us. Clerk, call the next item.”

AWARDS

B. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION TO REPRESENTATIVE DON V. MEYERS FOR SERVING AS CHAIR OF THE SEDGWICK COUNTY/SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION FOR 2003.

Chairman Norton said, “In 2004, Representative Don Meyers will begin his sixth term in the legislature. Since being elected to the House of Representatives in 1992, Representative Meyers has served District 82, which covers Derby and the Oaklawn area of the county. Representative Meyers is very supportive of Sedgwick County, needless to say. During the 2003 session, he was responsible for getting legislation passed to make it easier for Sedgwick County Election Commissioner to accurately include newly annexed areas into Sedgwick County for the purposes of elections.

In addition, during the 2002 session, Representative Meyers made it possible for legislation to be passed to allow the Oaklawn Improvement District more authority to control the nuisances in their area.

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The role of serving as delegation chair is more than a figurehead position. It involves arranging weekly luncheons during the session to discuss topics of regional interest. Representative Meyers also arranged several Saturday morning legislative public forums, and even last night, we had a session, an evening forum with county commissioners and legislators before they entered into a forum with the public here at the courthouse.

I applaud Representative Meyers for his leadership during probably one of the toughest legislative sessions of recent past. He's been a good friend to Sedgwick County and we would like to present him this plaque to Representative Don Meyers in appreciation of service as South Central Kansas Legislative Delegation Chair 2003 from the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners. Congratulations, Don, we appreciate your work."

Representative Don V. Meyers, District #82, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you, Chairman Norton and Commissioners. We do have the largest organized delegation of legislators in the state. We have somewhere around 22 legislators, I think, within Sedgwick County. A few years back we did enlarge this. We allowed the counties surrounding us to enter into that delegation, so we do have what's called a South Central Delegation. When we all agree on things, we have a lot of clout. We don't necessarily always agree, but on the important items, we do have cohesiveness.

I want to thank you for sponsoring the event last night, the forum. It was a good forum. We had several speakers and I'm looking forward to continue working with the Commission and thank you so much for the award."

Chair Pro Tem Winters said, "Thank you, Don. Madam Clerk, call the next item."

C. PRESENTATION OF AWARD TO SEDGWICK COUNTY FOR OUTSTANDING TEAM PERFORMANCE AND PARTICIPATION IN THE "WALK AS ONE" FUND RAISER SPONSORED BY THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR COMMUNITY AND JUSTICE (NCCJ).

Ms. Sue Castile, Executive Director, National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ), greeted the Commissioners and said, "Very pleased to be with you here today. I'm the executive director of NCCJ, the National Conference for Community and Justice and I have two awards to present this morning. One to Sedgwick County for your participation and sponsorship of our annual fundraiser, 'Walk as One' and also an award to the Sheriff's Department for their participation in the walk, outstanding turn out. We had a wonderful event in October and this fundraiser is used to raise funds for our youth leadership programming, so it's a very important event and we are so very grateful for your continued participation in these events.

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We have Major Jackie Stuart with the Sheriff's Department here in attendance this morning, if I could present the Sheriff's Department award to her. And the one for Sedgwick County I will just leave with your secretary. Thank you again, very much."

Chairman Norton said, "Don't run off, Sue. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you. Sue, I think it's great that you guys have gotten this started. Isn't this the second year?"

Ms. Castile said, "Yes."

Commissioner McGinn said, "And I got to actually walk last year, and we didn't quite know where we were going, but we just kept walking and we finally found the food."

Ms. Castile said, "That's the most important part."

Commissioner McGinn said, "And this year I was out of town and so I wasn't able to, but I was curious, did you notice an increase in the participation?"

Ms. Castile said, "Yes, we did. Because of the construction at Riverside, we held the event down at Hyatt Park, along the river. It was really a beautiful day, second year in a row. We had over 500 walkers this year. We had about 350 the previous year, so we had about 150 more. Raytheon again was our premier sponsor and lots of folks put a lot of hard work into serving on committees and recruiting people from the community, getting donations. The food was free and we considered it our diversity and ethnic celebration afterwards, so next year we'll hold it in August and again we'll have free food for those who participate."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. Well, thank you to you and all of your volunteers that put that together. I'm glad to hear that it's very successful."

Ms. Castile said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Clerk, call the next item."

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D. PRESENTATION REGARDING THE FIRST COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) TRAINING SESSION, AND PRESENTATION OF A CERT PIN AND PATCH TO TRAINING SESSION PARTICIPANTS.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Ms. DeAnn Konkol, Community Liaison Program Manager, Division of Public Safety, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here today to give you a little bit of an update on our CERT grant program that we have going and to present our first class with their award certificates.

I want to first talk a little bit about the pieces of the puzzle and how they've all fit together over the last few years. Starting in 1999, Sedgwick County received funding through the Nunn, Luger, Domenici Grant, which gave us funding to provide equipment and training for our first-responders for Weapons of Mass Destruction and then in 2000, we received the Metropolitan Medical Response System grant, which has allowed us to put a plan in place for a bio-terrorism attack in our community and we now have one of the best plans in the nation.

And then in 2001, we saw the unfortunate accident of the Twin Towers and as a result of that, you commissioners decided that we needed to provide some information and education to the public on what they could do to be ready to respond for a disaster so we created the program Ready to Respond. We delivered that during 2001 and again, throughout 2002, we continued that program. To date, we've delivered that to over 4,000 people in the community.

And then, this year in 2003, we've received the Community Emergency Response Team funding and this is federal funding that's come down to our community to allow us to train volunteers in the community to respond to disasters. The teams go through eight classes. Those classes they learn different things about emergency management, disaster preparedness, incident command. They learn fire safety and the proper use of fire extinguishers. They also learn how to do medical triage of victims, should they find victims when they're doing search and rescue after a disaster. They also learn proper damage assessment of buildings to find if a building is safe to enter and then how to properly enter that building, do a search and rescue safely, so they themselves won't become victims.

We also teach a little bit of disaster psychology, so that they know what to expect when they might encounter victims, some of the emotions that those victims may be feeling at the time. And then what they themselves may encounter and feel as they're responding to a disaster or emotions that they may experience after they've responded. Of course, in this day and age, we give them some information on terrorism throughout the world. And then the final exercise is a scenario we give them and then they put into play everything that they've learned from their classes.

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The grant funding that we've received is requiring no match from Sedgwick County, and so it's allowing us to provide this training to citizens at no charge. And our goal is a minimum of 200 for our funding that we received and it will also allow us to give each participant a start-up backpack of some disaster things that they would need to make this response. And they'll include things like a hard hat, a safety vest, goggles, flashlight, a little wonderful disaster four-in-one tool.

And then our target audience for the CERT program is any citizens in Sedgwick County 18 years or older that live or work in the county, neighborhood associations would be wonderful for this program. A lot of our representatives here today are very active in their neighborhood associations and then we like to target businesses as well, train some of their employees so that when a disaster, the next disaster happens and they have people in their business, they would be ready to respond and could check on situations in their business.

So far, as I indicated, with the program we've been able to form several community partnerships. We've completed our first class, with 15 participants and right now we're working with USD 259 to deliver the program to over 300 of their employees. They want to make sure that they have people in all their school buildings that are prepared and properly trained.

Some of the partnerships that we have formed with this program are with the Salvation Army. They've allowed us to use their facility as classrooms and as Camp Hiawatha as our exercise training grounds, the camp setup makes a wonderful area where we can setup a neighborhood for a disaster scenario. Sedgwick County Fire District #1, some of the employees of that are delivering the fire safety and the damage assessments and search and rescue. Emergency Management is working doing the disaster preparedness, the incident command and the terrorism. The Emergency Management K-9 search and rescue team helped with both medical triage and the search and rescue. EMS will be helping us with the medical triage as well and American Red Cross, their disaster mental health workers are teaching about the disaster psychology for us.

And here are some pictures of our first class, here we've got a couple of our students that are out learning the proper use of the fire extinguishers. And this is preparing for our first exercise, the class had just been given the scenario of a tornado coming through the neighborhood and they're organizing and preparing to start going around to a neighborhood that we set up to do damage assessment and look for any victims that may be in the buildings.

This is a couple of our class participants that have been assigned to the triage area outside and so they're checking on these two patients, making sure that their vitals are okay, checking names, getting information from them.

This young man was suffering from a neck injury, and so they had to safely secure him to get him out of that building and so it required stabilizing his neck so that they didn't cause any further

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damage and then they had to locate a board and strap him down to the board so they could get him out of there safely. Right now, they're strapping his legs because as it turned out, they were going to have to turn the board sideways to get him out of the building.

This is one of our teams after they had completed their mission and then this is the entire team that went through the program. They are standing behind the CERT trailer. That is a training trailer that the State division of Emergency Management was given by FEMA for us to use and so we went up and picked it up and brought it down for our training.

And our next class, we're going to run two classes simultaneously this time, on Thursday evenings and on Saturday mornings, so if you can't come on a Thursday, you can come on Saturday. They'll start January 22nd, Thursday evening and January 24th, Saturday morning. The classes are limited to 40 per class, so anyone that would like to enroll in this class is welcome to. They can call 660-9381 for an application and we'll mail out an application to them.

And if you have no other questions, I'd like to do presentations to the participants."

Chairman Norton said, "I think we do have some comments, but why don't we do the presentations first and then we'll make the comments."

Ms. Konkel said, "Randy is going to come up and read the names so that I can hand them out so they don't have to, since there are so many of them, get up and come around."

Mr. Randy Duncan, Director, Emergency Management, greeted the Commissioners and said, "My privilege to be here with DeAnn this morning on the start of this auspicious program. You may have remembered some of our original conversation about this. Again, the basis concept behind CERT is during that time period, after a major disaster, before we can get our government assets organized, citizens need to know how to take care of themselves and this is the leading group of citizens that have received that training.

So with no further ado, let me introduce first to you Dan Bliss, Linda DeTienne, Treatha Brown-Foster, Lynn Grimes, Bob Hamblin, Allen Heck, Brenda and Chuck Loper, Mary Miller, Mary Mills, Rebecca Shell, Julie Soyez, James and Pat Thompson and Cheryl Wilson. Commissioners, we're pleased to present to you your first officially trained group of Citizen Emergency Response Teams in Sedgwick County. DeAnn."

Ms. Konkel said, "They were a great group of people to work with. I really enjoyed getting to know them all."

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Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you. Well first I want to say congratulations to the Certification Team, the new one and thank you for taking the time out of your schedule to wanting to know more to help your neighbors and your family and your community. I think that says a lot for you and so I want to thank you for doing that."

DeAnn, I guess this is . . . like as you showed the little puzzle coming together, when we started Ready to Respond, we went out like on a Saturday morning and kind of give people a two-hour overview and this evidently is an outgrowth of that to help people know more about what they learned in that little Saturday class and actually, physically be able to go out and help people."

Ms. Konkell said, "That is correct, and all fifteen of these participants all went through the Ready to Respond program at some point. It was either out in their neighborhood or a meeting that they attended and they showed a very big interest in wanting to become involved when the CERT program came around and we sent out letters and they responded. They were able . . . available the dates that we did the training and this just takes that Ready to Respond one step further in disaster preparedness and response."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, I think that's great. You said something about a minimum of 200 people. Is that about how many . . . ?"

Ms. Konkell said, "When we requested the funding from the state, that was the numbers that they gave us, based on the money they thought that we could train at least a minimum of 200 people. I think that we'll be able to train more than that, but that is our goal is at least 200. I'm shooting for about 300."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, because I noticed you said 300 for 259 but maybe you're going to get a little economies of scale on that one."

Ms. Konkell said, "Right, well and also there's more additional funding that's coming down that we will be applying for as well that will help us further."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay and well I want to say thank you to you to you and Randy and others for constantly looking for those federal and state grants to bring back to our community to help us be a better responding community. I saw that you had the 24th and the 27th and in the event

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that we would want to take that class, do you have any when it's warmer? I noticed you had some outdoor activities."

Ms. Konkell said, "Well, actually these will start in January and it will run for eight weeks, so the exercise will be actually in mid-March, right during, if I remember right, I think it will fall during the week of . . ."

Chairman Norton said, "Tornado season."

Ms. Konkell said, "I think it is during the week of Severe Weather Awareness, in March, for our final exercise, so it will be warmer by then to get outside."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. Well, and that's the other thing I was going to ask is I think it's great we're going to have these folks about the time that it's more critical for us here in Kansas and that kind of thing."

Ms. Konkell said, "Our hope is to be able to set this class up so it will be a continual eight-week process. We'll finish one class, maybe take a week break and then go into another class, just continually with no stop."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. Well again thank you and congratulations to all of you and you might, if Kristi is around, take an opportunity. I don't know, maybe you've already done this, but you have a great photo op to put on the Internet to promote your program with all the individuals that showed up today."

Ms. Konkell said, "Yes, and I also left a CERT pin at each one of your benches."

Chairman Norton said, "So we have to go through training before we can wear it?"

Ms. Konkell said, "Well, I won't make you go through the training to wear it, but if you want the patch, you're going to have to come and go through the training."

Commissioner McGinn said, "This is the wanna-be thing. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, you could probably qualify as one of the triage victims. Randy was exactly correct . . . no, I'm just making comments Randy, you don't have to . . . whenever there's a disaster, the first person to respond is either that individual that's experiencing a

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disaster or friends and neighbors close by, because government can't respond instantaneously. It takes us a little while to get on the scene. Sedgwick County has been blessed I think with a rich heritage of willing volunteers. I don't assume you guys are getting big salaries for this work. And without your participation, our ability to function and properly give out public safety services is tremendously diminished and it kind of humbles me when I see people that have their own lives, and I'm sure you've got a lot, especially this time of year, a lot of things that occupy your lives, but to be able to say 'Hey, I want to give back just a little bit' and you're doing it out of love for your fellow man and I think perhaps maybe out of just self respect of being a human being and it humbles me and it makes me very proud to say I also live within a community that cares enough to give back. So, thank you all very, very much. That's it."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. Just one final comment, another piece of the puzzle that we didn't talk about is that we also sponsored several sessions where we brought elected officials throughout the county together to understand what their roles were under crisis situations and that was taught by Jean Cross out of Topeka and that was at least two all-day sessions this year that made sure that government and elected officials were thoroughly engaged in understanding what their roles were when disasters occur and whether they be manmade or natural, we're going to have disasters and the more planning we can do . . ."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Yeah, you got elected."

Chairman Norton said, "Was that a disaster? The more planning we can do, the better off we'll be as a community, so I applaud everyone of you for taking the time to be such good stewards of our community. Next item."

E. PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY INFORMATION OFFICERS AWARDS.

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- 1. GRAPHIC DESIGN: COMCARE OF SEDGWICK COUNTY LATINO OUTREACH POSTER**
- 2. ANNUAL REPORTS: COMCARE OF SEDGWICK COUNTY 2001 ANNUAL REPORT**

Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Communications Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I have the opportunity this year to come to you again. It’s the second year in a row that we have entered the National Association of County Information Officers awards and it’s the second year we have received notification that we are award recipients for some of the work product that we have done.

This year, we have submitted two entries and received meritorious awards on both of them. They are for COMCARE’s annual report for 2001 and the COMCARE Latino Outreach poster. And at your desks there, you’ll see we’ve left you another copy of the 2001, wanted to remind you of what the annual report looked like that we received the award and also, the Latino Outreach poster that has been done for COMCARE as well. The really unique thing about this Latino Outreach poster is that it has been done where it’s in both English and Spanish, so it is truly directed to that target audience and I think that is an important piece for the folks who need the services of COMCARE that we have done something to reach that target audience.

I would like to recognize, there are two folks who have made these things come about, and that is Tony Guiliano, who is our graphic designer in Communications and also Bev Baughman, who is the marketing coordinator for COMCARE and these are the two folks who have worked together and meet together on a regular basis and have put this effort and put this into a format that makes it easy for us to receive recognition from NACIO.

I also would like to think that there’s a point to make in that what this does is allow COMCARE, because of the relationship that we have with COMCARE, it allows COMCARE to focus on their areas of expertise and focus on the services that they deliver and the relationship we have as an internal department is we can help support COMCARE and to provide things that help make their delivery of services a little bit easier and that is exactly what I think we are here to do, as an internal support department.

I also would like to point out that by entering into these types of award competition it allows us to showcase to the rest of the country that there are good things going on in Sedgwick County. And I think that says well not only for Communications, but also for COMCARE as well.

We will have a little bit more difficult process this year. We intend on submitting a couple more awards as the process continues and we’ve had more competition for time this year, because other folks have seen now that COMCARE gets good things, so we have Department on Aging and Emergency Management and of course COMCARE who are after our time, but that’s a good

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problem to have, I think.

And I would also finally like to thank Marilyn Cook and Debbie Donaldson, because they have really supported this whole idea that we are here to help them, we are here working for them. So we do have the recognition from NACIO and we will have those in our office on display, but again thanks to Tony and Bev, they're the true winners here."

Chairman Norton said, "We really appreciate that kind of work and partnership. And Tony, is it good to be sought after by all those people?"

Mr. Tony Guiliano, Graphic Designer, Communications, said, "It is."

Chairman Norton said, "Congratulations. Next item."

CITIZEN INQUIRY

F. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING THE WICHITA CENTER FOR CRIME VICTIMS PLANNING TASK FORCE.

Ms. Lisa O'Dell-Davis, Center for Crime Victims Planning Task Force Co-Chair, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I am the Director of Harbor House for Catholic Charities and I'm also the Co-Chair of the City of Wichita Planning Task Force, which is looking at putting together a comprehensive center for crime victims and I'd also just like to mention there are some other folks from our group that are here: Kathy Williams from Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center is also the other Co-Chair of this project and Mary McDonald from the prosecutor's office is also part of this project.

The Department of Justice awarded a grant to the City of Wichita to look at doing a feasibility study to see whether something like this would be needed in our community and Mainstream from Topeka, was awarded that contract to do that feasibility study. The feasibility study was completed in December 31st of 2001 and the study indicated that yes, there was definitely a community need and there was support among a lot of community providers and other community participants for a victim service center.

We really do feel like there is a local need for this center. If you look just at the 2000 numbers, there were 32,446 victims of crime in our community and that's a pretty substantial number of folks that we're looking at. And right now, people go all over the city searching for people to help them, depending on what the crime that has been committed against them and what services they need or

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what pieces of the puzzle they need to figure out so they know how to do what they need to do.

So far, this group started meeting in May and I just want to update you very briefly about what we have accomplished so far. We have put together a vision statement, a mission statement, the group decided to form a non-profit corporation and Mainstream has worked on that piece for the group and that has happened.

We decided to have . . . the task force would serve as the founding board members and eventually we would expand to include other people. We have started looking at a nominating committee has been formed and we have asked other people, business representatives and other people in the community to be willing to serve on this board with us. We have sent six letters of inquiry for additional funding to foundations to support some more planning and then actually the implementation of this, the startup costs for this victims' center.

We've formed a grant writing team and at this point in time, Via Christi has agreed to serve as the fiscal agent until all of our non-profit status has been taken care of.

The other piece that we've done along the way . . . of course, when that initial study was done, people were asked, victim service providers were asked 'Would you be willing to participate in this victims' center' but knowing that happened two years ago, we went back to everybody and asked that same question again. At this point in time, we have ten agencies that are interested in actually housing someone in this victims' service center and we have a number of other agencies that would want to be referral sources, so they would want to have a link into the center and way for referrals to come directly from that center.

The other piece that we're looking at now and trying to identify some potential sites that we could use for the victims' service center and obviously we need to figure out what size . . . what the group of folks were interested in order to proceed.

That's really what we've done at this point in time and I'd be happy to try to answer any questions that you might have but we did want to just update you on where we are and what we've been doing."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, Lisa I see no questions right now, but I have to tell you, trying to pull together that many partners to build the capacity to solve this issue in our community is very admirable. So many times, one of the things we discuss a lot is that we have a lot of agencies trying to get a little piece of the action and aren't working in orchestration and this looks like that tries to bring people together to solve that one issue and we really appreciate that. What is the will of the Board?"

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MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to receive and file.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thank you Lisa and everyone else that came today. Clerk, call the next item."

NEW BUSINESS

G. DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

- 1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS TO ISSUE ITS TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2003, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$63,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING, ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND INSTALLING AN INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FACILITY FOR RAYTHEON AIRCRAFT COMPANY; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF RELATED DOCUMENTS.**

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "In 1998, Sedgwick County Commission approved a resolution to issue revenue bonds for up to \$1,000,000,000 for Raytheon aircraft. Proceeds from these issuances of bonds would result in purchases of machinery, construction of facilities and equipment to be located in Sedgwick County and leased to Raytheon Aircraft Company.

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And inter-local agreement later on allowed this same provision to be extended to the City of Salina and the Raytheon facilities in that location. Raytheon Aircraft Company have met all the requirements of the resolution of intent and we recommend that you adopt the resolution.

Today with us, we have Jackie Berger, Vice President of Communications and Public Affairs from Raytheon Aircraft Company and we have bond counsel, Winton Hinkle and Joe Norton. Jackie.”

Ms. Jackie Berger, Vice President of Communication and Public Affairs, Raytheon Aircraft Company, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I just wanted to go through with you some of the things that we will be investing the money in over the year. Half of the total request will be spent on tooling for the Hawker Horizon, which is our new super mid-sized jet that we plan to certify next year.

We will also have enhancements and upgrades on our production processes in the composite facility, our Plant 3 facility. Improvements in the design of our assembly line, so that we streamline and modernize our production processes and capabilities to improve our competitiveness and also upgrades to existing buildings, for things like utilities, waste disposal, really for a safer working environment for our employees. So none of this is for brand new facilities, it’s really upgrading and then adding tooling and things for some of our existing products or our newer products.

In addition to the bond, Raytheon Company, our parent company, also invests over \$70,000,000 in our research and development programs, which enables us to build aircraft like the Horizon, the Premier I and we have plans for upgrades for our other programs.

I just wanted to go through a couple of key highlights for 2003. FAA certification, flight tests have already commenced on the Hawker Horizon. The aircraft is truly exceeding all our expectations. We plan to certify next year and the first production aircraft will roll off the line at the end of next year and be delivered to our customers.

We delivered the 200th T-6A, military trainer, to the Navy and Air Force. We’re actually delivering over 800 of those, right through until 2017, so the 200th actually rolled off recently. The ProLine 21 Avionics were upgraded to our wonderful KingAir aircraft, the B-200 and 350. And also we actually announced a new president for our Beechcraft business, respected veteran Randy Groom, who originally worked for Beechcraft a number of years ago and he’s come back to join us.

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And finally, we were awarded a \$228,000,000 contract for 47 of the T-6A aircraft for the J-Pacs program, so some good news for the organization through the year. What I wanted to do, because it's very difficult to come and talk about an organization that you can't see and what are we spending the money on, so I'm just going to show you a very brief video clip on our composite facilities, where we're obviously investing some of the money, show you the 100th roll off of the Premier and the Horizon. It's just over a minute. It's not going to work. I'm awfully sorry. I can't show you the video. Sorry about that. But that's all I have to say and if you have any questions.

I can put a CD in if that helps. Do you want me just to do that? There you go. Okay, sorry, the music is great.

VIDEO PRESENTATION

The Premier I, this is in our composite facility in Plant 3. It takes about 30 days for a Premier fuselage to go through the facility. This will come through. This is really modernized equipment in the facility. This is the picture we took for the 100th Beechcraft Premier I rolling off the line. This is actually in our Plant 4 facility for final assembly on the Hawker line. And then this is the new Horizon going through some of the flight testing, really stunning aircraft. The Horizon will be configured for between nine and twelve passengers, so really is in the super-midsize range. Okay. Sorry about that.”

Chairman Norton said, “We do have a couple of questions. I'll kick it off by putting on my EDC hat. This is another instance where we have companies that do business here and we're willing to help to try to make them healthy and invest in infrastructure that will help them be profitable and increase jobs and stay in our community for many, many years. So, I think it is a continuation of a long-term partnership that we've had, Sedgwick County and Raytheon and we hope that all these things come to fruition and that it does make an impact on the future of Raytheon. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you. Well, Mr. Chairman, I'm going to agree with you and just make a couple of quick comments. I'm certainly going to be supportive of this proposal today to hopefully move forward. We all know that a lot has changed in the aircraft business in the last couple of years, but I think it's important to look at the historical perspective here of Sedgwick County and Raytheon. The City of Wichita has been involved with the other major aircraft and their bonding requirements and their industrial revenue bonds. Sedgwick County has partnered with Raytheon for a number of years, through good years and not so good years. But I think it's

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important for people to remember that since we've started this partnership, from 1990 to 2002, Raytheon has invested in improvements in Sedgwick County of \$877,000,000 and I think that's quite a commitment to our community. And I think again, as things change and we wish things were different in the whole aircraft industry, we've got to have confidence that some day they will be back there again. And so I'm just appreciative of the presence of Raytheon in the community and wish them success in the future and hopefully, this will be part of strategies to get things in a better mode. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "I think Sciortino . . ."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, I'm going to say something nice about the company too, but one of the nicest things is the way they've upgraded the quality of their communication department by hiring Jackie, because I mean, before that you could understand them because they didn't quite have this same accent that Jackie has.

I'm very pleased . . . I'm going to be very pleased to support this. I think it's very important that the public understands \$63,500,000, the County is not giving them that money. They still have the responsibility of going out and trying to sell the bonds. We're just acting as a conduit, allowing them to maybe perhaps get a little better interest rate that would entice people to buy the bonds or what have you. So there's no . . . If I'm correct on that, Mr. Euson, there's no encumbrances that the County incurs by issuing these bonds. Is that a correct statement?"

Mr. Richard Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Yes sir, that is correct."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And it's the hope, I'm sure, whenever we do something like this, that if the company is investing this much money into the facility, hopefully it means they're going to stay around, it's really with hopes, to me, that maybe eventually more jobs will be created or at least the existing workforce will be more stable because of the investment. And if they can improve their efficiency, meaning make a profit, then I think we can accomplish that too. So, a little bit of a joke about your hiring, but I know Wayne is here and I've known Wayne for many years, heck of a golfer, and we're just very pleased that you're here in our community and you're continuing to

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think enough about us that you want to invest in staying in our community. So thank you.”

Ms. Berger said, “We plan to stay here for many years to come.”

Chairman Norton said, “Before I get to Commissioner Unruh, Wayne would you like to rebuttal on Ben’s golf? No comment, okay.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Now wait a minute, he knows that I now shoot par golf. I achieve par about the 11th hole and after that it’s over par.”

Chairman Norton said, “I shouldn’t open up that can of worms. Commissioner Unruh.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Thank you. I will just end up rephrasing probably some of the comments that have already been made, but I’m very happy to be supportive of this item. You know, this is a way for Sedgwick County to be cooperative with the other economic development efforts in the County. It’s good for our community. It’s good for a local company here and it offers you the opportunity to stay competitive in your field and maybe grab a bigger share of the market and then, hopefully increase employment and those things, and so I’m very supportive of it and hope this gives you the support you need to go forward with your new product and new design.

One question I had that was posed to me by a constituent this morning on a phone call is a 25-year employee of Raytheon, a 30-year taxpayer in Sedgwick County. However, this person has the bad fortune of being one of those who is going to be displaced because of outsourcing. So the question is will this sort of improvement in production and your manufacturing processes, is it possible that this will help alleviate some of this decision to outsource, or is that just not a relative issue?”

Ms. Berger said, “I mean, the difficulty we have, you’re right, we have to become competitive and the other commissioners have talked about we have to become profitable. The company has lost over a billion dollars in the last three years. We’ve consumed over 1.2 billion in cash. So, most companies in that position go out of business. We are trying to restore the company and return it to its former greatness and in doing that, we’re looking at productivity in all areas of the business to try and turn the company around. Outsourcing is some of that, and although it’s very difficult, we have to do that to insure that there are jobs for a lot of people for the future, because we do plan to

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be in Wichita for many, many years to come. They are difficult decisions, but we have to face some of those.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Well, I appreciate that response and I’m in harmony with it, I guess is the right word. You have to make tough decisions. The main thing is that we want to support a local company, we want you to be successful and in the doing of all that, we’re all going to prosper, hopefully. So, I’m supportive.”

Chairman Norton said, “Commissioner McGinn.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you. Well, I concur with many of what my colleagues have said and in particular to Commissioner Sciortino’s comments. I think we’re very blessed here in Wichita, Kansas to have four major aircraft companies here and I want to do what I can to continue to support them, to keep them here for many, many years to come. They have created many jobs through their companies and also fed many companies that are feeder companies, I guess, or offshoots that you bring in for supplies and things like that here in Wichita as well.

And as to what Commissioner Unruh talked about, I think this outsourcing is a touchy issue and I hope that maybe we can look at, if it’s possible, companies in our local area or even in the United States that we can use. I know companies have to change how they do business, like somebody had shared when we were being briefed that we’re still making the washer for some things. Well, maybe some other company can make that washer and hopefully it’s a local company. But I understand the need for change.

And part of that need for change is you have to be successful in a global market and if you’re not successful, then we may lose this company to our community and so I encourage you, as I know you probably are, to try to keep as much business here in town but I also say thank you for doing what you are doing to make sure you’ll be successful here in our community.”

Ms. Berger said, “And can I just say that the company is looking at local communities and obviously businesses in America as well. The one decision that we had to make to go outside of the United States is really for a leader in the community that actually services all of the commercial aircraft companies and most of the GA companies, so it was a competitive decision as well. But we are definitely looking for local partners and people that will come to Wichita and partner with us too, so that will be something that we’re looking at.”

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Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay, great. Thank you.”

Chairman Norton said, “What is the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, “Thank you, Jackie. Thanks, Wayne, for being here. Next item.”

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FORGIVABLE LOAN TO AIRCRAFT SEAL & GASKET CORPORATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES.

Ms. Hart said, “This was a great seg-way because what I have for you today is a resolution to assist a company, Aircraft Seal and Gasket Corporation, in their relocation from California to Sedgwick County. They bring with them, AS&G, which is Aircraft Seal and Gasket, is a manufacturer of Elasto of Elastomeric seals, hoses and gaskets used in airplane construction. They’re a supplier to nearly all the aircraft manufacturers in the country and most of the airline companies.

AS&G will locate their operations here in Wichita and will also house the operation of two sister companies, both of whom are aircraft related companies. They will bring 120 jobs to Sedgwick County and their corporate headquarters. We recommend approval of the resolution that you have before you.

Also with us today are John Hartzler, the CEO of Global Polymers, which is connected to this organization and Dave Wood with the Wichita Economic Development Coalition.”

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Mr. John Hartzler, Chief Executive Officer, Global Polymers, greeted the Commissioners and said, "On behalf of Aircraft Seal and Gasket, I'd like to thank you for your help and in particular, with the partnership with the City and the economic development council. Without that partnership, we wouldn't be able to do this. For those of you who are kind of new to this, we are moving two companies from California. We're opening an operation in Goodland, Kansas so the State of Kansas is going to gain by this, as well as ourself."

Mr. Herb Minold, whom some of you have met, would like to have been here today, but he's in the process of helping that move take place right now. Again, we couldn't do this without your help. We took a look at the industry and it was a great lead in here with Raytheon. Most of our competition is on either the east coast or the west coast and when we started to look at the marketplace, this part of the country really needed a manufacturer here in Wichita to service the local business jet market. And we're anxious to move here and we're real excited about it and we had to get out of California because the costs were driving us to an unprofitable situation, so we're excited about the whole situation and I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Chairman Norton said, "Now that we've got you on film, can we use you on our marketing piece to other California companies?"

Mr. Hartzler said, "Yeah, I think the word is spreading out there. I know Herb has spoke to a couple of other companies and again, they're looking at the marketing situation, but with Wichita and four companies here, it certainly is a good area to look at."

Chairman Norton said, "Well certainly, energy costs and worker's compensation costs have really given you pause to reevaluate the California marketplace, hasn't it."

Mr. Hartzler said, "Exactly, and with the downturn right now in the aerospace business, it's a great time to do this, to be poised because I think everybody agrees, 2005 is going to be the next upturn."

Chairman Norton said, "Before you get away, Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, thank you. John, I just want to say I appreciate your being here at the meeting. I've looked at the background material that we had and was pleased with the prospect, but often times we kind of get staff talking to staff and I'm pleased that you've come to meet us today and give us an opportunity to see the CEO of the company here and I just want to express our willingness to be involved in economic development projects all across this county, and if you need help and assistance in any way, you'll have some friends here that would be glad to help in any way that we can that's possible."

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Now there's some things we can't do of course, but I just want to say that I'm certainly going to be supportive of this. I believe the City of Wichita is in partnership with us on this project and they took action similar to this yesterday. But again, I'm pleased that you felt this important enough for you to come to our meeting this morning. I do appreciate it."

Mr. Hartzler said, "Thank you, Tom."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Yeah, I also wanted to . . . that's exactly what I wanted to say. Oftentimes, a CEO will delegate that to a lower echelon official of the company or maybe just not even show up and we do appreciate you coming."

I think you'll find there's a lot of things more affordable here, housing is one, just to mention a few. David, do you think we could figure out a way to give this gentleman a temporary Cat backer flag or something for the upcoming Feista Bowl?"

Mr. David Spears, P.E., Director, Public Works Department, said, "Well, you won't get one from me, Commissioner."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Oh, you don't back the Cats. He's a Jayhawk fan. Anyway, we want to welcome you and we hope that the transition . . . it's always kind of nervous Nelly time on employees and changing their routines, but if there's anything that the county can do to accommodate the employees that are moving to make their move as painless as possible, please let us know. We have a lot of amenities that we're anxious to show your employees, the quality of life items that we have here in Wichita. If you're a golfer, we've got a Mecca of golf course, but we have a lot of cultural venues here also that we'd like to expose your employees to also. So, thanks again."

Chairman Norton said, "Well, I think one good point is that, although there are some employees moving from California, the bulk of the employees will be hired here locally, trained here locally and help the economy here locally, which I think is a real plus for your company and to us."

At this point, what is the will of the Board?"

Commissioner Winters said, "Mr. Chairman, I'd make one more comment. I do see that Dave

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Wood is here and I know that he and Irene and City staff have worked on this project for some time and we certainly want to say thanks to them.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Or ask him if maybe he’s got another surprise announcement or something. Not at this time? Okay.”

Commissioner Winters said, “No surprises today.”

Chairman Norton said, “I would entertain a Motion.”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to adopt the Resolution and authorize the Chairman to sign all necessary documents.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, “I just might make one comment. In the last two items, we’ve helped a company that’s here local, that’s been here, it’s been a part of the foundation of the Wichita economy for many years and we’ve taken action to bring in a new company that hopefully can grow and become a pillar of our economic development community here and I think that sits well with exactly what we described as our greater Wichita area economic development mission, and that’s to look at internal help and external help and we did both of those today, so I think we’ve done the good work of government when it comes to economic development today. Clerk, call the next

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item.”

**3. RESOLUTION AMENDING SECTION 24-31 OF CHAPTER 24 OF THE
SEDGWICK COUNTY CODE REGARDING STRUCTURE OF THE
SEDGWICK COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.**

Ms. Hart said, “Well, we just talked about the inputs and the economic activity in the first two items. This third item deals with outputs and the excesses and the waste material. When Sedgwick County assumed responsibility for the Solid Waste Planning Committee in the mid 1990s, one of the first things you did was to expand that committee to a 30-member committee. The charge to the committee was to develop a solid waste plan and we needed the expertise of a full fledged committee to help do that.

Since that time though, the plan has been adopted, the responsibilities of the Solid Waste Committee have been reduced, because they got their work done. At the end of this year, the terms of 20 of the 30 appointees will expire, so this would be a good time to reduce the size of that committee so it’s a size that’s more effective and needed to just accomplish the routine kinds of things that they’ll be doing over the next several years.

The resolution that you have before you amends the County code to restructure the Solid Waste Committee from 30 members to 16 members. Ten members are required by state statute. There would be one additional appointment by each of you and then a 16th appointment who would be a non-voting chair of that committee.

We have since amended the resolution that was in your backup and what it does is clarify that the terms of all the existing members will expire once you adopt this resolution. We’ll come back to you in January with the appointments and get those formalized and done at that time. I’d be happy to answer any questions that you might have.”

Chairman Norton said, “Commissioner Unruh.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Well, I think this is an appropriate move to make in light of how we’ve progressed on this issue. We really don’t need that large of a committee any longer. However, I would want to publicly state that this in no way reflects on our gratitude for those members who’ve served over these last several years. We certainly appreciate their dedicated service to our community and their commitment to be there. These were often times long meetings and difficult interpersonal relationships that they had to work their way through and so I think there are probably many people, several of the people on that committee that will not be invited back to

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the number of 16 that's going to be on it and they may have some disappointment at that, because they're still keenly interested in the issue, but my whole point of this comment is to say we certainly appreciate your service and now it's 16 instead of 30, can't put everyone on it, but we are very grateful for the service they've given to our community and their work on this committee up to this point."

Ms. Hart said, "We have committed numerous, hundreds of hours of personal time and expertise and research to help develop the Solid Waste Plan. Once the plan is in place now, we really need folks who can look at permit applications and do annual reviews and so it doesn't require as much expertise as it did in the past, but those people were valuable."

Chairman Norton said, "Well certainly my comment is that change is hard. It will be hard for some of the folks that are on there that may not be reappointed to accept the change, but that also bigger is not always better and the large group served its purpose at the time, but now a more agile, fluid group may serve our purpose better, as we move forward.

We do appreciate the work they've done over the years, but it is time for some change and we understand that this is the best time to do that. So, what is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

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Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Irene. Next item."

H. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE, INC. TO PROVIDE PRODUCTION AND AIRTIME FOR WEEKLY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS.

Ms. Zuchovich said, "And I get the opportunity once a year to come before you and talk to you about how we will bring the work of Sedgwick County government into the living rooms of citizens in our community. I have Michael Kellam with me today from KPTS and he is the person who is our main contact over at KPTS to assure that every Wednesday morning at 9:00 the citizens of Sedgwick County, whether they are adults or children, that they also get to enjoy and participate in our local government activities.

And so today we have a contract for 2004. We will once again have the opportunity to share the work of county government through Channel 8. It affords the availability of the programming to pretty much everyone who lives in our community. If you have rabbit ears on your television, you can probably pick up Channel 8, so it is a great relationship. We continue to have a very good relationship with Channel 8 and they have been helpful to us in a number of ways and I would ask that you approve the contract for 2004 so we can continue to provide the commission meetings on Wednesday mornings. And Michael, if you have any comments."

Mr. Michael Kellam, KPTS Television Station, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I just wanted to say we're, as always, glad to be working with you on this. I know last year we talked and it seemed like we couldn't figure out exactly how long it had been. I know it's been as long as any of us can remember, so we're glad to be producing this for you."

Chairman Norton said, "You've gotten your chance to be in front of the camera now for the year and you get to go back to being behind the camera. Right?"

Mr. Kellam said, "Yes, that's where I belong."

Chairman Norton said, "You don't look too bad on there. They found your . . . I don't know if that's your good side, but they found a side for you. Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you. I, as the rookie commissioner here, I'm amazed when I'm out around, hearing how many people watch the program. It's really a great service to our citizens, where they can tune in. Not everyone can come up here to our chambers and be here in person, so it's a great opportunity for them to be involved, aware, know what's going on and can express opinions from a factual basis on what's going on. So I'm very much in favor of it and think

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you're doing a great job and I know that our citizens really appreciate it. But it would be better if we, maybe, could set this up so we had more of Kristi and less of Ben on the camera, if we could do that."

Mr. Kellam said, "Well, we try to make sure the bear gets a lot of air time, but it's kind of blocked at the moment."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Mike. Thanks, Kristi. Next item."

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

I. METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT (MAPD).

- 1. CASE NUMBER CUP2003-55 DP269 (ASSOCIATED WITH ZON2003-53) – CREATION OF THE SPENCER'S COVE COMMERCIAL COMMUNITY UNIT PLAN (CUP); AND ZONE CHANGE FROM "SF-20" SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO "LC" LIMITED COMMERCIAL;**

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GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTH OF 29TH STREET NORTH AND WEST OF MAIZE ROAD. DISTRICT #3.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The applicant in this case is requesting to create the Spencer’s Cove Commercial Community Unit Plan and to rezone this property. The original request was to ‘Limited Commercial’ over the entire site but that, as I’ll explain, that request has been modified.

It’s approximately a 19-acre tract that’s involved, with four parcels to be used for commercial development and one parcel to be used for drainage purposes. The tract of land is located generally just to the southwest of the intersection of 29th Street North and Maize Road and it’s separated from Maize Road by a tract of land fronting along Maize Road that is owned by the developers of the New Market Square shopping center. New Market Square is located just to the southeast of this particular tract, along Maize Road. And this request by this applicant anticipates that commercial development will continue to occur northward from New Market Square, along Maize Road and then along 29th Street.

The applicant has modified their request. Originally, it was for ‘Limited Commercial over the entire tract, but what they have done is split what is shown as parcel one on the very western part of this tract into two. The southern most portion of that, that tract they’ve requested ‘General Office’ zoning for that piece and for the northern part of that western tract they have requested ‘Neighborhood Retail’.

At the MAPC meeting on November 20th, the MAPC voted to approve the request that was made, as modified by the applicant, subject to all the conditions that were shown in the revised CUP drawing at that meeting and the recommendations that were submitted to the MAPC at the meeting in a staff memo.

So what they are requesting and what you would approve today if you were to approve the MAPC recommendation would be ‘GO’ zoning on that southwest corner, ‘NR’ zoning on the northwest corner and ‘Limited Commercial’ on the remaining part of the tract. The conditions are listed in your backup report. There was one citizen residing in an adjacent subdivision to the west that was present at the MAPC meeting. That individual spoke in support of keeping the zoning on this tract as residential rather than changing it to commercial. And with that, I’ll be glad to take any questions that you might have.”

Chairman Norton said, “Commissioner McGinn.”

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Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you. David, you may need to help out here, so pay attention. This parcel that's next to Maize Road, isn't that Cadillac Lake? Do I have my bearings right? I wish you had an aerial."

Mr. Schlegel said, "Let me back it up. Here's the aerial."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, because I want to make sure I have this correct."

Mr. Schlegel said, "There are significant drainage structures through that area but Cadillac Lake is not on this particular site."

Commissioner McGinn said, "That area, where you see the line of trees, is my understanding full of cattails and a wetland, if I had my bearings correct. Is that right David?"

Mr. David Spears, P.E./ Director, Bureau of Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I believe you're right commissioner. That's correct."

Commissioner McGinn said, "And happens to be, as far as I know, one of the only true natural wetlands in Sedgwick County, and I've asked this question as I've watched development move out there. What's going to happen to the wetlands? And if you're an agricultural producer, you get penalized if you break open wetlands and I think the rules are different for developers and it's looking to me like, and what I'm hearing future expansion, that wetland is going to go away. Is that correct?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "No. I think the intension, both for the portion of that detention area that you can see on this particular parcel and as it extends to the south, the intension of those developers is to retain that for detention of drainage."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay. So from the red line that I'm seeing on the east to what looks like some kind of a tree row there to the west, that area is going to be the detention area, which is part of the wetland?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "Well, let me see if I can use the arrow on here. The current drainage detention area is . . . what I'm trying to show here with the arrow and I'm not . . . that area in here. Is that the area that you were referring to?"

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, actually to the right. There, that area, is that not part of the

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wetland area?”

Mr. Schlegel said, “Portions of that may be part of that wetland area, yes, but it is the intent of this developer to retain that for detention purposes.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Now we lost our picture though.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, it’s my understanding that this area is a designated wetland and I don’t think you change a designated wetlands without compensating by creation of some other wetlands or the State of Kansas being involved. And on the west side of Maize Road is part of an original wetlands and has been there for a long time, but it’s a relatively small piece. On the east side of Maize Road is really what I refer to as the Cadillac Lake area and it’s significantly larger, probably 160 or so acres involved in that wetlands. So this on the west side is considerably smaller and it’s my understanding that developers have dealt with that issue and have approval. Now we do have the applicant’s agent here. Maybe Russ would want to address that and could clear part of that up for us.”

Mr. Russ Ewy, Agent for applicant, Baughman Company, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I can address that issue probably in general terms, although I’m not a licensed engineer, but our firm did do a study, a larger basin study for what would otherwise be termed the Cadillac Lake area. The areas that you’re talking about, Commissioner McGinn, would be considered perhaps wetland. I guess the way these things happen is we go out, we zone the ground, then we plat the ground. And during the platting stage of development, we will go out, do some topographical studies, submit that to either the Department of Water Resources State of Kansas or to the Army Corp of Engineers for a wetland determination. So, at that stage, at a later stage we’ll determine what exactly or how much of our subject property is designated as wetland.

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Historically, developers are able to mitigate any removal of wetland by a certain ratio, whether that be a one-to-one ratio, a two-to-one ratio, that has yet to be determined, but oftentimes the governmental agency will allow a developer to create additional or new wetland, off-site or at a different location on site, to mitigate any type of restructuring of the indigenous wetland that occurs. Whether there's . . . and I'm sure that there is, I'm not going to dispute whether or not there is or isn't wetland on our property, but if you notice to the east and to the south of our property, there's kind of a panhandle shaped piece of ground and not trying to divert attention to our specific request here this morning, but we do know that the developer, Slawson, will be seeking to zone and develop commercial activities along the Maize corridor.

He or they, like our developer, will need to mitigate primarily storm drainage. That's the number one concern, as well as perhaps mitigate some wetlands. And I know that the bulk of the area, if you see the word 'Wichita' to the south of our tract, the bulk of that land area will be approximately an 80-acre lake. And again, there's going to be fringe areas within that lake, within that reserve area that will be likely candidates for wetland mitigation. I'm not sure if that's a complete answer to your question or if there's any other questions that you may have."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, I sounds like there's going to be more development up there and in the meantime, you're going to be platting this and you're going to be dealing with that issue of mitigating the wetlands. And I guess I would like to have that information, if we move forward here today, in how they're going to mitigate that.

It's one thing to me if you have a puddle out in the middle of the field to mitigate the puddle. It's another thing when you have a natural wetland that's been here for many, many years and to go in and destroy that and then just put a pond somewhere or whatever it is we have to do. So I would just like to have some more information on that before we totally wipe out a natural resource here in our county."

Mr. Ewy said, "And as I understand it, again a lot of the drainage issues, and the wetland determinations will happen as a sub-part of the subdivision of this property, the platting process of the property. It may very well get to a point, a year from now, six months from now when we get to that stage of having to interact with DWR or the Corp of Engineers to where we may only be left with what was shown as the western third of parcel one to develop. That's really something that the developer gambles on, for lack of a better term. So it may be a situation where the government authorities that do review the wetlands makes a determination that we won't be able to fill or change or alter that wetland."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well I would just like to have that information before any more

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zoning takes place in this area, if I could please. John heard that, I see him nodding his head. All right, thank you.”

Mr. Ewy said, “Thank you. I’d stand for any other questions.”

Chairman Norton said, “I see none at this point. Is there anyone else that would like to speak to this issue before we move on? I would offer five minutes to someone that would like to speak. I see none. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “John, I got a little confused and I think that I’m okay towards the back. It looked like that the planning staff had made one recommendation and then the MAPC changed a couple of that. You’re still all right with what they’ve come up with and you’re supportive of what we’ve got in front of us. Is that correct?”

Mr. Schlegel said, “That is correct.”

Commissioner Winters said, “I mean, you agree with the Planning Commission on what they’ve come up with.”

Mr. Schlegel said, “I’m in support of what the Planning Commission has recommended.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, I don’t understand it but I mean it was just some changes of what each of those tracts was going to be and John did go over that in the beginning, but I just wanted to confirm that he and the staff were in agreement with what we’ve got.

The other thing, it did talk about a traffic study is going to be done and I know this is getting right on the edge of the City of Wichita and the City of Wichita is probably going to be more concerned about traffic than we’re probably going to be, but again as this intersection of 29th and Maize Road continues to develop, you’re confident that there’s provisions in here that will hopefully be a solution to traffic issues, as opposed to a problem?”

Mr. Schlegel said, “Most of the traffic issues will probably be dealt with at the platting stage.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Okay. Well, Mr. Chairman I don’t have any other questions and if there are no other questions, I’m ready to move ahead and approve the zone change, but would certainly listen to any other discussions, if there are any.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Well, I’m going to say again, when they get to the platting stages,

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what I'm going to be more interested in and I want to hear the results of that, because I know a lot of times that gets put on our consent agenda and we don't get the details and I would like to have that before we move forward on any other changes in that area."

Commissioner Winters said, "And those plats, when they come back, do have to be approved by us and so, whoever puts those plats on our agenda needs to know we'd like to look at this one."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Right, yeah. Have that before we move forward on any other zoning."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And we can do that, correct Mr. Euson?"

Mr. Euson said, "Yes, sir."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. This is clearly going . . . this property will clearly fall into the City of Wichita once it's annexed? This is not going to be a contentious piece of property, as others have been in that area?"

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well don't we already have five signs that says 'Welcome to Maize' now 'Welcome to Wichita' now 'Welcome to Maize'?"

Commissioner Winters said, "Russ, this is going to be in the City of Wichita, is that correct? I mean, this is not one that the owner wishes to be in the City of Maize?"

Mr. Ewy said, "No, that's correct. As a matter of fact, this piece of ground was included in the unilateral annexation report. It also has a voluntary annexation request by the developer. All of those, it is my understanding that all of those annexation requests were frozen until these things were sorted out, but I think my understand is that since it's south of 29th Street, it's surrounded by three sides by City of Wichita, all of the Slawson properties, the City of Wichita, that this will be annexed by the City of Wichita."

Commissioner Winters said, "Yeah, and again, just to remind commissioners, this is probably . . . this is the far northeast part of probably the most active section right now in western Sedgwick County, with New Market Square down a mile to the south and then you can see a bit of the housing that's going on, this whole section is just developing very rapidly."

Chairman Norton said, "I have one other question, if that's okay. The tree line there, is that a

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slough or is it just a tree line that runs north to south?”

Mr. Ewy said, “It’s a hedgerow. If you look at the northeastern most corner of the rectangle in red, the subject property, there is a pipe crossing, north to south and you can kind of see the sough runs, at that point, south/ southeast to the word ‘Maize’ on Maize Road. That’s kind of the actual sough line. However, there’s such little topography here, it’s very flat as you understand it. You throw out a five-gallon bucket of water and it probably covers an acre.”

Chairman Norton said, “And the big area in the middle that has Wichita in it that looks kind of gray, is that a dry lake or is that plowed field?”

Mr. Ewy said, “My remembrance is that that’s in agricultural production. Now obviously, when it’s wet the majority of that, you can kind of see where water has stood.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Lots of cattails in that area to the south.”

Chairman Norton said, “I’m talking right in the middle, that gray area.”

Mr. Ewy said, “It’s not standing water typically.”

Chairman Norton said, “Is it considered a dry lake though that fills up during the wet season?”

Mr. Ewy said, “It fills up in the wet season. For how long that stays there, I really can’t answer that question. It’s one of those things where the ground is so flat, it takes very little drainage to create a large surface area. How quickly that dissipates across the street to the east I’m not certain.”

Chairman Norton said, “Okay. My only question of that is that looks very similar to some of the problems I’ve dealt with down on the south side, where everything’s really flat and you’ve got areas that look . . . that are very similar to dry lakes. They look great some times of the year and the other times of the year you actually have a lake and we need to be real cautious not to do anything that’s going to put consequences on other properties, particularly further south, because I would assume that all drains towards the south. Commissioner McGinn. I’m sorry.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “That’s okay, I think that’s a good point. If you look at the land

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around there that's been farmed, it's got a tinge on green and the question you might want to ask is, yeah, how come that other part hasn't been tilled? Well, it's because it's too wet to get in there. And even if you were going to put wheat on there or a Milo crop, part of that field has been tilled and the rest has not and the rest has not and it's because they can't get in there. So that's obviously an area that's been wet for some time and stays that way.

My other question is, John, not because I asked that nothing else be zoned until we know the results of this, but to the south and to the east, that 'L' shape there, has that been rezoned already?"

Mr. Schlegel said, "Yes."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well then . . ."

Mr. Schlegel said, "I'm sorry, Russ has a different answer."

Mr. Ewy said, "Are you asking about this piece here? None of this has been rezoned yet."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay."

Commissioner Winters said, "Is it in the City of Wichita or is it in . . .?"

Mr. Ewy said, "It is in the City of Wichita."

Commissioner Winters said, "It is?"

Mr. Ewy said, "It already is. I would assume that this pink line here represents what's in the City of Wichita."

Commissioner McGinn said, "So then we would have no say. Is that correct?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "That's correct. So we can't stop or . . ."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Then I guess can I ask this, what would hurt if this was deferred for a couple of weeks until we have more information?"

Chairman Norton said, "I think platting will take care of all that. Now maybe I'm wrong."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So that whole property is actually surrounded by Wichita. We

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don't have any say in that, I don't think Carolyn."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, I think we would still have comments about this plat. Would that become a county approved plat or a city approved plat? If we would move forward with zoning today and they would start the platting process, would the plat come back to us for approval or would it go to the City of Wichita for approval?"

Mr. Euson said, "Commissioners, I believe that the plat will go to both the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County for joint approval."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "And is joint approval required, or if the City of Wichita approves it, can we, if we don't approve it, it doesn't go forward?"

Mr. Euson said, "I think a joint approval is required, yes."

Mr. Schlegel said, "Now if I could add to that, I think a lot will depend on the timing of the annexation and whether or not they're ready to submit the plat, before or after the annexation occurs."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I'm sorry, I should be flipping my light. The area that's already Wichita, the little 'L' and then back up there, that hasn't been platted yet I understood. When it's platted, does that also require joint . . . My point is, on the other area that Carolyn has some concern about, we would never be able to . . . Carolyn, I think I'm . . . the area that you were talking about that's around the area in question is now in Wichita and when that gets platted, that will never come to us. That will not have joint approval."

Commissioner McGinn said, "So there's nothing we can do about that. And I guess, for the record, the area that I'm concerned about is called Procht Wetlands, on this side of the street, the side of the street that we're talking about."

Mr. Schlegel said, "The west side of Maize?"

Commissioner McGinn said, "Yes. It does have a name, it is a known wetland."

Commissioner Winters said, "The sign that says Procht Wetlands is on the east side of Maize Road. Now I don't know if this was in that same ownership or not."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, I recall that it is, but I'd have to go do my homework. Well, it

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doesn't sound like that we have any say over the rest of that, and so it's back to I just hope we get some information on the platting process before it moves forward."

Mr. Schlegel said, "Yeah, what I intend to do is just get a brief report prepared for you to show how these types of drainage and wetland issues are handled through the platting process."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no more discussion or questions. At this point I guess, what is the will of the Board?"

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, again Mr. Chairman I'm prepared to move that we take this recommended action, unless there's some desire to defer for a week for more information."

Chairman Norton said, "I would second that for discussion. I think I'm ready to move forward. I do understand Commissioner McGinn's worries with this, but I'm hoping through the platting process and if John will get us more information, that we'll be pretty prepared to deal with the plat, instead of just on the Consent Agenda as it comes before us."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Right. And since we have no say over the rest of that area."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the zone change and CUP, subject to platting within one year and the recommended conditions; direct staff to prepare an appropriate resolution after the plat has been approved, and authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution.

Chairman Norton seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, John. Next item."

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- 2. CASE NUMBER DR2003-00026 – PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE UNIFIED ZONING CODE TO PERMIT A DENTAL LABORATORY AS A HOME OCCUPATION AND TO ADD WAREHOUSING AND MUSEUMS TO THE LIST OF USES CONTAINED IN THE OFF-STREET PARKING SCHEDULE, AND ESTABLISH THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES REQUIRED FOR THESE USES.**

Mr. Schlegel said, “Earlier this year, the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission requested that planning staff amend the Unified Zoning Code to allow a dental laboratory as a permitted home occupation use. The MAPC made that request in response to a citizen who operates a dental lab manufacturing dentures in his home. That citizen was able to demonstrate that they were able to comply with all the home occupation regulations, except for the fact that medical services, that class of uses called medical services were specifically prohibited as a home occupation. So making that change is one of the amendments before you today.

And then, since we were drafting amendments and taking them through the public hearing process, staff felt that this would be an appropriate time to address some other needed minor adjustments in the code dealing with parking standards. And I won’t go into detail on all those, because they really are very minor changes.

The MAPC reviewed and recommended approval of these amendments at its public hearing that they held on November 20th. No one from the public spoke for or against these amendments. These amendments were heard by the City Council yesterday and approved by the City Council. I stand ready for any questions that you might have.”

Chairman Norton said, “I see none at this time.”

MOTION

Chairman Norton moved to approve the proposed amendments to the Unified Zoning Code and adopt a related Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

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Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, “Thanks, John. Next item.”

J. PRESENTATION REGARDING AN UPDATE ON THE DESIGN PHASE OF THE KANSAS COLISEUM RENOVATION PROJECT.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Ron Holt, Director, Division of Culture, Entertainment and Recreation, greeted the Commissioners and said, “You will recall, at the BoCC meeting on July the 16th you approved moving forward with the design option D of the renovation project as defined by the Coliseum Renovation Planning Team. Included in this plan were upgrades for fan amenities that included meeting ADA and other code requirements. We addressed operations issues and additional multipurpose space and expanded seating were added and the cost for that plan, option D was \$55,336,419.

Also at that meeting on July 16th you approved a resolution requesting that the Sedgwick County Public Building Commission meet and issue revenue bonds for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs to develop, construct and equip the renovations and improvements to the Coliseum.

Since July, a number of actions have occurred that I want to update you on. First you should know that the Sedgwick County Public Building Commission did meet. It met on August 13th and it was relative, of course, to the action that you took at your July 16th meeting. The Public Building Commission adopted a resolution to proceed with the financing of the Coliseum renovation project. That resolution was published in the official county newspaper, as legally required, on August 15th and again on August 22nd.

Following those publications, a 30-day waiting period allowing for petition to call for a referendum on the Public Building Commission’s action went into affect and that waiting period ended on September 22nd, 2003.

In addition, a county designed review team for the Coliseum renovation project was established and a Coliseum project design review process was developed. The first objective of the team was to

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develop the scope of work for architectural and engineering services for the design phase, or what we're calling phase two of the project. This scope of work was important to be completed not only as a means and basis for negotiating the design fee for the project, but also to make clear to develop clear expectations so that we can have open communications during the design phase of the project.

In accordance with the original RFP that was issued back November 7th, 2002, and at the time that we selected the architectural and engineering firms on January 29th, 2003 to do the phase one of the project, you also authorized us to negotiate with the selected architectural and engineering firm to work on phase two of the project. These negotiations were initiated in September and concluded on December the 8th. These negotiations have resulted in the following recommendations: that the scope of work of the architectural and engineering team for phase two has been determined and will cost 45.48 million dollars of the project. As part of this process, we've determined that the remaining portions of the 55.3 million dollars project can be defined by county staff.

The fees for the design phase of the project will be \$2,660,675. This fee is about \$273,000 less than the estimated cost of design fees for the project that were approved back in July. You will be asked to approve the fees as a part of the report of the Board of Bids and Contracts which will be presented on your agenda later this morning.

The county design review team, which is lead by Jim Osterlund of Facility Project Services, will be meeting with the architectural and engineering team periodically throughout the next year to oversee the design phase of this project.

A second objective of the county review team is to develop the process and plans for review enhancements for the newly renovated Coliseum. This also will occur over the next 12 months. Also throughout the next year, the design phase, as the design phase of the project is occurring, we will keep you apprised of our progress and, at an appropriate time, we will plan to have a public meeting so that citizens can have a first-hand view of the specific improvements that are being developed.

That I think covers all of the activities that have occurred since July, gives you an update and again, you'll be receiving a report at the time the Board of Bids and Contracts on you agenda for the specifics related to the architectural and engineering services for the design fees for this phase of the project. If you have any questions, I'd be happy to answer them for you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thanks. Ron, first of all I think it's important to note that, if I understood when you came around visiting with us about this, that the major reason for such a dramatic reduction in the estimate of the architectural design fees is because it was determined that

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we had sufficient expertise in-house to do some of the design work with our own employees. Is that correct?"

Mr. Holt said, "That was a major reason for the reduction, but I will also add a part of that was excellent work done by our Purchasing Director and Jim Osterlund, our Project Services Director, to make sure that we got the absolute best fee that we could get."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, I think the public needs to know the easy course would say, 'Well, you guys do it all, we don't want to mess with it' or what have you and sometimes 'Oh, we can only save 5,000 or 10,000'. You know, they throw numbers around like they don't mean anything, but a dollar still means a dollar. And while it's maybe too excited to start thinking that the entire project is going to come in substantially under-budget is a little bit premature, this is still the beginning of the project, sounds very exciting that maybe there could be a potential that it comes in a little bit less than we had anticipated."

So you and everybody else that's worked on this, our hats are off to you for continuing to look for every dollar that you can save, so thank you for that. That's all I had."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you. Ron, was it about October that Commissioner Unruh and I sat in on the meeting that we had that kind of where we started and where we were trying to go?"

Mr. Holt said, "That's right. Early October, what we're calling now the county design review team met to really hone in on what the scope of the work for the architectural and the engineering services would be during this phase two, and that's the meeting that you are referring to."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay and Dave may have some comments on that as well, but what I learned from that whole process and that meeting was that staff was looking at in-house what things can we do ourselves and what things can we do better. And I thought it was very interesting, one of the things had to do with traffic flow, and thank you to Public Works as well and their contribution and just looking at, first glance, at what we wanted to do was going to be very costly and also not as efficient and now we're doing something that's not going to cost as much and much more efficient way of getting traffic in and out of the Coliseum."

At the time, we were also looking at another project, as far as percentage of construction costs I guess and that percent, you know one of the questions we had was why is ours higher, and it looks to me like now it's lower. We went from 5.93 to the 5.85."

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

Commissioner McGinn said, "So I commend staff and you for looking at ways that we can do things a lot more efficient, use some of our in-house resources and to add to what Commissioner Sciortino said, you know when we went out and shared with the public what we thought this was going to cost, I think our true intentions were we want to let you know what the highest cost is going to be and we're going to work very hard through this whole process and be involved to make sure it comes in much lower than that. So, thank you."

Mr. Holt said, "Thank you. You've charged us to do a quality project at the best value we can get and we are obligated and committed to do that."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "You know, I think they downsized Nath's office and that's where the big savings is."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Ron, you may have said this, but could you tell me again the length of time we're looking at in this next design phase?"

Mr. Holt said, "I implied 12 months, but in fact it's 13 months. Early on, we were talking about 12 to 15 months. During the negotiations, we have agreed with the architectural and engineering services that a 13-month time period is what will be required and of course we will be moving that along faster if we can, but that's our target."

Commissioner Winters said, "And will that . . . does that then mean that it will be approximately January of 2005 when actual hammer and nail and dirt starts to move?"

Mr. Holt said, "That will be January, 2005 when we'll be ready to go out for construction bids, which takes anywhere from 60 to 90 days, so we're talking about spring of 2005, probably the earliest for turning dirt, but that's still in line with the earlier projections that we had."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Well, I appreciate the discussion that we're having about this. We often hear from our constituents and citizens 'What's going on, why is it taking so long' and the

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answer is we're being very intentional and deliberate and analytical in what we're doing so that we can get the best value for our dollar. So even though it hasn't been real public, you've been hard at work and our staff has been hard at work and it's resulted in great gains, bang for our buck, whatever way you want to talk about it. But I appreciate your effort and look forward for your continued progress in this and know that we're not going to see something new every day, but we have to be patient and we're going to get a great project and I'm looking forward to it."

Chairman Norton said, "What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Ron."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Can we take just a few minutes break while he's setting up?"

Chairman Norton said, "Let's take a five minute recess and we'll be back here at 11:00."

The County Commission recessed at 11:00 a.m. and returned at 11:05 a.m.

Chairman Norton said, "I'll call us back to order and Clerk call the next item."

K. PUBLIC WORKS.

- 1. PRESENTATION DEPICTING ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS COMPLETED DURING 2003. ALL DISTRICTS.**

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POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. David Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, Public Works Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Once again, I'd like to report to you on the projects that were constructed in the year 2003, including roads, bridges, drainage, preventive maintenance and miscellaneous repair projects.

This year, we completed 16 miles of skim coating or cold mix and 17 miles of chat seal. The roads are selected by our staff in January and you are notified by memorandum accordingly. In addition to these projects, the 2003 construction program can be summarized as follows: two miles of road were constructed by contract, 73 and a quarter miles of road were over layed with one inch of BM-1 hot mix, 41 and three-quarter miles of road were treated with a latex modified slurry seal, 15 total lane miles of asphalt rejuvenation took place, 25 total lane miles of nova chip took place, two bridges were constructed or under construction by contract, nine bridges were constructed by our crews and 54 miles of shoulders, both sides, were constructed by our crews.

All of the projects are in accordance with the Sedgwick County Capital Improvement Program. In total, improvements were made to 163 miles of the 500 miles of paved roads that Sedgwick County is responsible for. This means that 33% of the County's road system was improved in the year 2003.

A memorandum depicting the expenditures on our projects was sent to you on December the tenth and due to change orders in the past couple of weeks, those numbers may differ slightly from our final amounts. In general, the expenditures for 2003 were over eight million dollars for actual road projects, 1.6 million in actual bridge project costs and we were under budget on the reconstruction road project by about a quarter million dollars and under budget on the bridge projects by about 182,000.

Now we're ready to view the 2003 Public Works road and bridge presentation and I simply want to remind you that infrastructure is still the mother's milk of economic development. Here we go.

First the road projects by contract. In the CIP for this year, we actually just had one large project down on 63rd Street South, between Hydraulic and K-15. Five million was budgeted and you can see we're under about 1.2 million dollars.

Carry-over projects, the bike path over the floodway and KDOT paid for 80% of that and it was an \$810,000 project. We were under \$183,000. 85th Street North, the project that we partnered with Valley Center on and we contributed \$1,000,000 to that project, it was an over \$2,000,000 project. And then, Rock Road between 87th Street south of Derby and K-15 in Mulvane, our final four-lane

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link going to the south end of the County and we were under budget on that by about almost a million dollars, \$919,000 and it was about a \$6,000,000 project. Budgeted \$5,000,000, actual cost 3.8, under budget 1.2.

Okay, this is 63rd Street South between Hydraulic and K-15. That's actually the intersection of Hydraulic and 63rd. This is a drainage ditch that we . . . We ran into some problems on this job in that some trees had been buried out in this location, which would have required a change order for the contractor to do that, since it was trees instead of dirt. So we brought our crews in, our stream maintenance crew, and we did this work ourselves and we saved about \$80,000 by doing this.

We didn't do the rock and that structure there, but the entire ditch work was done by our stream maintenance crew. They did a great job. You see the Arkansas River down there, that's where the drainage flows to. More of the road and this is the last slide, that's . . . leading off there, we had to relocate Oliver and move it further south from K-15 to provide a safer intersection there. And you can see, at this point anyway, we're about 1.2 million dollars under.

Carry-over road projects, you can see, I was telling you about the bike path where we had the speed limit on there and I wanted to show you a picture of that. So you can only go 30 miles an hour with your bicycle there. There's a 15 mile an hour on that curve. To get the federal funds, we had to put those on the plans."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Are you serious about that, that the federal requirements were speed limits on bike paths?"

Mr. Spears said, "Yes, sir.

Now this is pretty nice. For years . . . that's so motorized vehicles can't get across there. That's intentional. Since I've been here, 20 years, we've been trying to come up with a way to get across the floodway for people who walk or use their bike, and we've finally done that. This is a great project and it will tie our system out at the County park and then of course on down 21st all the way to the Reno County line. People can now come from Wichita and come all the way out to the park and as far as they want to go. Before it was very difficult to get across the floodway.

These pictures sort of go across the bridge and then around the . . . and then you come around and down back under. You see here . . . that's under the Zoo Boulevard Bridge and then you come back up again. This way, you don't interfere with the traffic and less a problem for somebody getting hit. You can only go 5 miles an hour around that curve. And this is going back up. We're under budget by about \$183,000. KDOT paid about 80%. Nice project.

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Okay, this is up in Valley Center, a few before pictures from last year I think. That's right at 85th and Meridian. You can see sort of what it was like before. Now this is the finished project. That used to be a four-way stop and now it's widened out and signalization. It used to, the buses . . . they had a hard time turning there and it was a big problem in the morning with the school buses. It's a lot wider and more efficient now."

Commissioner McGinn said, "It went from a two-lane to a three-lane, going all directions."

Mr. Spears said, "Yes, ma'am. And simply we contributed \$1,000,000 to that project and I think it was less than two and a half million dollar total. Rock Road, between 87th and K-15, or Derby and Mulvane. That's a before picture. There's the after, it went to four-lane and in some places turn lanes. Another after. There's a before. After. Same location. Before. After.

The bridge was quite a deal over the railroad. That's a before. Before. There's an after, four-lane. There's a couple of characters there for the ribbon cutting."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Is that person praying there on the end? Who is that?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "She's from the chamber of Mulvane."

Mr. Spears said, "Everybody there, Commissioner Norton saying a few words, it looks like. Commissioner Sciortino cutting the ribbon and another nice project, under budget by \$900,000.

Okay, our BM-1, shows you all the locations in the County we did the BM-1. Mara Elman put together the Powerpoint. I've got to thank her for that, she does a great job. 73 ¼ miles we did. Just . . . I'm not going to show every 73 miles. They all look about the same as this. This is typical, 95th Street South, between Rock and the Butler County line. Just a one inch overlay, protects our investment. In five years we'll put a latex modified slurry seal on that. So in total, 73 ¼ miles at two and a quarter million dollars, which equals about \$30,500 per mile.

Cutler Recycle did this on 15 total lane miles. This is down at Haysville, looking from the Turnpike back towards Broadway. Sorry I didn't have any before pictures of this. It really is significant. It is quite a change.

This is the Coliseum, right in front. So in total we did 15 lane miles and that figures out to about \$33,000 per lane mile. Also on that piece down by Haysville, they contributed to that too, about \$29,000. Nova chip, now product which we're experimenting with. Supposedly, the product . . . it's also a maintenance, preventive maintenance product and there's a possibility that this may last longer than five year, which of course then its value is much better for us. We could go seven years

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instead of five to the next treatment.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “I don’t see 25 miles on your map.”

Mr. Spears said, “Lane miles.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Okay. I’m looking at the section lines.”

Mr. Spears said, “Some of them are four-lanes. So a before, over on 21st and we had a lot of bad cracks across there that we repaired by contract prior to the nova chip and there’s the nova chip. This is on Rock Road, started getting a few little cracks on it, over between McConnell Air Force Base and 63rd Street South. And there’s the nova chip. So 25 lane miles, it’s about \$23,000 per lane mile.

Just a summary, total budgeted for all those, the BM-1, nova chip and rejuvenation, under budget by about \$164,000.

Okay, latex modified slurry seal. I really like these maps.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “I’m glad to see a mark in District 1.”

Mr. Spears said, “I told Mara you might comment about that.”

Commissioner Unruh said, “Well I’m glad to see one. Thank you.”

Mr. Spears said, “It’s all scheduled out in accordance with when we did the project and so five years later you do it. You don’t really pick the district. That’s just how it works out.

Forty-one and three-quarter miles and here again we won’t show them all, but a typical example, 79th Street South between Derby city limits and the Butler county line. And Ballou Construction did that, total budget about 1.4. Actual cost 983, under \$465,000. \$23,000 per mile, it was a good price.

Rock shoulders we do in-house. Fifty-four miles this year, both sides of the road. Shows you some of the work. This is more or less a safety thing, you know in case a car goes off the edge, you don’t want them to flip or go out of control, so you need to keep the sides of the road up to the height of the road best you can. 95th Street South, east of Rock Road. And county personnel did this, 54 miles, it costs \$105,000 and that’s about almost \$2,000 per mile.

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Cold mix, next year we'll have two carry-overs we didn't get to this year, 77th up north and 79th down south. We did 16 miles. A typical example, down in Chairman Norton's district, 47th Street South between Hoover and Ridge. And cemetery to the left. We usually get a lot of real nice comments on the cold mix we do because it's usually a road that's a gravel road, been that way since the beginning and now that folks have a paved road, they are really appreciative of it. And the cost isn't too bad. In these cases, this year, it was about \$33,000 a mile."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Is that . . . would you divide that in two if you wanted to say per lane mile?"

Mr. Spears said, "Yes, right. Chat seal, we do this in-house, and more or less we're going over a lot of the cold mix roads. This is Greenwich, between 95th and the Butler County line and this simply a chat, rock chat and an oil base you put down. And that shows you the cost, about \$10,000 per mile, 17 miles.

Bridge projects: B-223, 13th Street bridge out in Commissioner Winters' district, under budget. We had the Broadway project, 5.4 million dollar project, KDOT will pay for 80% of that. That just let and it will get started this next year, but those are the two we actually had in the budget. The rest down there are carryovers from before and the one you have there is 53rd Street North between Hoover and West Street, over the Arkansas River. KDOT also contributed to that. And then 45th Street North between Broadway and Hydraulic, that was over by United Warehouse, the one that we added in last year. Total budgeted about \$3,000,000 and actual 2.6. Budget about that, \$232,000.

This is the . . . it's not finished of course, and we got started late because we re-let . . . it's a long story, as you all remember, we re-let that in the summer. This is about the stage we're at right now and currently we're under about \$113,000.

This is a bridge on Broadway that we're going to widen out over the railroad tracks. This is the existing bridge. You can see the problems with it, very old. This is currently under, it hasn't started yet, our cost to date, that's our matching share of about one and a quarter million dollars but it's a 5.4 million dollar project, KDOT picking up 80%.

Carryover bridge projects, this is the one on 53rd, over the Arkansas River. That's a before picture, before, of course during construction. There's an after, what it looks like now. I think that's pretty nice handrail we put on there."

Commissioner McGinn said, "And that went from two-lane to four-lane, a very narrow two-lane to four-lane. I mean it can be, potentially, four-lane if needed."

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Commissioner Winters said, “Where is that bridge?”

Mr. Spears said, “53rd, over the Arkansas River, the Big Arkansas River. So it’s between Hoover and West Street, west of Meridian. More pictures of it, cleaning up, final stages. That’s the Loch Ness Monster right there. King Construction, our cost was \$626,000, it was a \$3,000,000 KDOT project.

Okay, this is the bridge on 45th Street North, between Hydraulic and Old Lawrence Road, out by United Warehouse, before, we just have a couple here, and this is the after picture and we’re under budget by \$5,600.

Now bridges by county personnel, nine this year, won’t go over all of those but I think you can get the flavor of it.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “You say you’re going to go over them all?”

Mr. Spears said, “No, I say I won’t go over all of those. You can get the flavor. Is that okay or would you like me to go over each one?”

This is a before picture, after, after. Total cost, \$28,000 at that location. On 87th, between 183rd and 199th, a before, before, after. Before picture, 61st between 119th and 135th. Another before, after. Got it? You want me to go a little faster. 55th between 199th and 215th, after, after. Before on 55th between 199th and 215th 15,000 for that one.

47th between 183rd and 199th, that’s the after, after, 23,000. On 79th Street South between 311th and 327th Streets West, had to put the piling up because the creek was coming out and the field was washing out, so we were trying to help out in that respect. 63rd Street South between 279th and 295th Streets West, that’s not a shadow, that’s a hole, after, after. Farmer helped with the little structure there that we put on the side so the cows couldn’t get through, trashcan, \$36,000. Bridge on MacArthur between 343rd and 359th, actually a field type entrance.

Miscellaneous drainage, this a before picture, 47th between 215th and 231st, that’s the after. 79th Street South west of Seneca, some improvements we made down in conjunction with the railroad project that we’re working on.

Commissioner Sciortino left at 11:30 a.m.

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This is . . . you've seen one culvert you've seen them all, but I'll just describe this a little bit. On 135th Street West, between 21st and 29th, there's a . . . as development is happening there, drainage problems in sued and we took care of . . . this was a township road. The city put a sewer line down the road, then we took over the road and we fixed the drainage problems and this is just some pictures showing some of the things we did along there. This is quite involved, a lot of surveying.

Now this is 29th Street North, between 103rd and 119th Street West. We had to get permission from DWR for this and then we cold mixed the road over that. This is also the road you're looking at this morning on the zone change. This is 77th Street North and Hillside, we had to put this in, we'll be cold mixing that road next year on 77th. Kechi, we partnered with them, the county bought the pipe and Kechi installed it. Oliver and 61st Street North. Miscellaneous drainage projects: budgeted \$100,000, actual cost was 103 so we were over a little bit this year.

Drainage projects, these are our big ones, down in Oaklawn and too bad Commissioner Sciortino left, he won't get to see this. Greenhaven and Idlewild, to major projects. As you can see, we're under on Greenhaven by 37,000, under on Idlewild 150,000. This is a before picture. You'd be a little surprised at the size of the after picture, but this is what's required. This is a before, after, before, after. This is a before, after, before, after, after. It goes down to the Arkansas River, after. Budgeted 950 and we were under by 37,000.

Idlewild, in this case didn't put any storm sewer on this. The road serves as the drainage way. This is a before picture. This is after, the road is actually, it's hard to tell from the previous . . . the road is actually lowered quite a bit from where it was before and that's where it exits. This was a before picture from the other end. You can kind of see there the drop from the yard down to the road and before the road was up to the height of the yard. Budgeted 517,000 and we were under by \$150,000, Cornejo and Sons did that. Nice improvement for Oaklawn.

Now this is underway, of course not finished, our crown jewel of projects. In total, I think in the end run we'll be up several million dollars in this. See this pipe right here? I'll show it to you again, there it is now, that's the railroad on top. You see the fill we've been bringing in. Have to bring in fill and build a spur for the railroad and then after that it gets set, the railroad goes off their main line, onto that spur, then we build the main line and then the railroad comes back over on the main line. In other words, you can't shut them down from running while you're building their track.

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Some progress, budgeted \$10,000,000, cost to date about \$8,000,000, currently under about \$2,000,000. That's the end of the show. Any questions?"

Chairman Norton said, "I think we move on before Commissioner Sciortino gets back and wants to see those slides again."

Mr. Spears said, "Too bad he missed those."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Here, I have one question David. On the nova chip, I mean it's a personal question maybe, but on 143rd Street East, from Central to 13th, is that going to be done in nova chip next year? Is that the type of material that's going on?"

Mr. Spears said, "Commissioner, we haven't decided yet. It will either be nova chip or it will be BM-1 and we're looking at that right now. We have to make all of our costs balance out for what we have budgeted for the BM-1. Certain roads will be nova chip and certain will be BM-1, but we're certainly looking at that and that's an important one."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to receive and file.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Absent

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Chairman Tim Norton Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Dave. Next item."

Commissioner Sciortino returned at 11:36 a.m.

2. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND CLASSIFYING CERTAIN STREETS TO THE UNION TOWNSHIP SYSTEM. DISTRICT #3.

Mr. Spears said, "Before I go on, Commissioners, I failed to mention, Jerry Day on our staff took the pictures on the program and I wanted to give him credit for that. I already thanked Mara, she put together the Powerpoint.

It is standard procedure that after a road is constructed within a platted residential subdivision, in accordance with County standards, that road is then assigned to the township road system. In this particular case, 205th Street West, located in the Martin Addition will become the responsibility of Union Township. The Union Township Board was informed that this resolution would be on the county commission agenda by letter, dated October 21st. I recommend that you adopt the resolution."

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

Chairman Norton seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye

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Chairman Tim Norton

Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Dave. Next item."

L. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (CFO) TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS FUND TO THE SPECIAL HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND AND/OR THE SPECIAL ROAD, BRIDGE AND EQUIPMENT FUND.

Mr. Chris Chronis, CFO, Division of Finance, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This resolution that's before you is a routine action that you undertake every year. As you know, we generally can do transfers at the end of the year of monies to move into equipment reserves or project reserve accounts. In the case of the highway fund however, state law requires that you take action before the end of the year to authorize that transfer. So the resolution before you authorizes a transfer of up to 25% of the fund balance of the highway fund. That's the maximum that's allowed by state law. Once we've closed the books, determined what the actual fund balance is and what the requirements are for that fund balance in the highway fund, we'll make a determination of the precise amount of transfer to perform. If you have no questions, I recommend your approval of the resolution."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no questions. Do I have a Motion?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh Aye

Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye

Commissioner Carolyn McGinn Aye

Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye

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Chairman Tim Norton

Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

M. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

1. AGREEMENT WITH CENTRAL PLAINS REGIONAL HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT ACCESS PROGRAM TO ASSIST UNINSURED, LOW-INCOME CITIZENS WITH THE COST OF PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS.

Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are requesting you approval of this agreement with the Foundation for Project Access and medications. This has been a very successful and exciting program and provides specialty care primarily for individuals who would not be able to access that otherwise. Since its inception in September of 1999, hospitals and physicians have donated over \$25,000,000 worth of care.

The amount of this fund is \$200,000,000, which is down from previous years because of budget cuts. However, in this we are also allowing for a three-quarters position with a salary of \$19,500 so this person can actively work with the pharmaceutical company to access their indigent medication programs and we're anticipating that position will bring in medications that would be valued at approximately \$265,000, so I think that's a good use of those funds. We're certainly doing everything possible to maximize the medications available to these individuals. I'd be glad to answer any questions and I would request your approval."

Chairman Norton said, "I see no questions. Will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Deb. Next item."

DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES – DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS

2. APPLICATION TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR STATE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS UNEXPENDED FISCAL YEAR 2003 FUNDS.

Mr. Mark Masterson, Director, Department of Corrections, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The State Department of Corrections has announced an application process for use of unexpended Community Corrections grant funds from state fiscal year '03. Each agency has the opportunity to apply for one-time funding to address one priority need in their area. A total of about \$345,000 is available statewide and any funds awarded must be spent by June 30th of 2004.

Before you is our application for \$104,482 for our agency. The priority that we're asking to address is replacement of aging technology equipment, specifically we're asking to replace five year old computers for our Community Corrections officers and change the telephone system at the offices at 905 North Main to the county standard voice override IP telephone.

These computer and telephone system upgrades are necessary and will come from future grant funds that would be used for direct services unless we're able to secure one-time funds such as these. The Community Corrections Advisory Board approved this item at their meeting on December 11th and I'd ask that you do the same."

Chairman Norton said, "At this point, I see no lights."

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MOTION

Chairman Norton moved to approve the Application and authorize the Chairman to sign all necessary documents, including a grant award agreement containing substantially the same terms and conditions as this Application; and approve establishment of budget authority at the time the grant award documents are executed.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Mark. Next item."

DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES – DEPT. ON AGING

- 3. AGREEMENTS (SIX) TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY SERVICES TO PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES.**
 - CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

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- **ADULT DAY SERVICES**
- **FOSTER GRANDPARENTS**
- **CEREBRAL PALSY RESEARCH FOUNDATION**
 - **EMPLOYMENT**
 - **PERSONAL EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT**
 - **THERAPY**
- **INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCE CENTER**
 - **FLEX AND HOME MODIFICATIONS**
 - **DISABILITY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL**
- **RAINBOWS UNITED**
 - **VISION**
- **SENIOR SERVICES, INC. OF WICHITA**
 - **NUTRITION**
- **THE ARC OF SEDGWICK COUNTY**
 - **EPILEPSY EDUCATION**

Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Today I bring in front of you six agreements with community providers to fund 10 different services in our community. These services promote accessibility, education, job training, work, health and safety in order for persons with disabilities to maximize independence and self-sufficiency. These are for programs in the community that provide services for individuals with physical disabilities of all ages.

These are for the employment program with Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation, personal emergency equipment with Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation and therapy, also with that organization. Flex and home modification and disability information referral with the Independent Living Resource Center. Nutrition services with Senior Services Incorporated of Wichita. Vision services through Rainbows United. Adult day services and foster grandparent program through Catholic Charities and the Epilepsy education program through the ARC.

These programs were presented in the budget hearings and were approved in the 2004 budget. I would request that you approve and authorize the Chair to sign.”

MOTION

Chairman Norton moved to approve the Agreements and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

4. AGREEMENTS (SIX) TO PROVIDE DOOR-TO-DOOR ASSISTED TRANSPORTATION FOR THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AS VENDORS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION BROKERAGE.

- **TIMBER LINES TRANSPORTATION**
- **GOLD STAR MEDICAL TRANSPORTS**
- **THUNDER ENTERPRISES, INC.**
- **WISDOM TRAVELS**
- **AMERICAN CAB, INC.**
- **ABC TAXI CAB COMPANY, INC.**

Ms. Graham said, "The Transportation Brokerage was started in 1998 and Sedgwick County has had agreements each year with a variety of vendors to provide specialized transportation in our community. We provide rides for the elderly and persons with disabilities. They're scheduled through a coordinating center and we provide door-to-door assisted transportation which is offered 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. This program served over 2,000 individuals last year and these individuals utilize it to access medical and social services in order to remain independent.

These are agreements with: Timber Lines Transportation, Gold State Medical Transports, Thunder Enterprises Incorporated, Wisdom Travels, American Cab Incorporated and ABC Taxi Cab Company Incorporated. I would request that you approve these and authorize the Chair to sign.

Chairman Norton said, "Any questions of Annette?"

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MOTION

Chairman Norton moved to Approve the Agreements and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

5. ADJUSTMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT ON AGING STAFFING TABLE TO INCLUDE ONE PROGRAM COORDINATOR POSITION, BAND 216, AND ONE VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR, BAND 111.

Ms. Graham said, "Commissioners, earlier this year our department, with your approval, applied for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program application grant and we were awarded that grant. So this item brings before you the request for the RSVP coordinator and the RSVP volunteer coordinator positions, which will be funded through this grant from the Corporation for National Community Services for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

The addition of these two staff will allow us to operate this program effectively and efficiently and we would request you approve and authorize the addition of these two positions to our position table."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the adjustment to the Department on Aging Staffing Table.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, Annette. Next item."

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

N. WAIVER OF POLICY TO HIRE A COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE II FOR THE TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC AT STEP 13.

Ms. Peggy Baker, Supervisor, Communicable Disease Clinic, Health Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Would like to have your approval to rehire Ruth Woodruff, who resigned in March of 2002 after 15 years in the TB control program.

As you know, we had a recent outbreak and Ruth volunteered because we were a nurse short in the TB clinic and after coming back and seeing the changes in the support for the TB clinic with the staffing, she's decided that she would like to come back on board for us. And I would request that you approve the rehiring of Ruth."

Chairman Norton said, "What is the will of the Board?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well I just have one question. Maybe Mr. Buchanan or Mr. Euson, what happens if a person quits and then gets rehired, do they continue, do their benefits continue to accrue or do you have to start back at square one to start getting whatever benefits would accrue to a person with longevity or how does that work?"

Mr. William Buchanan, County Manager, said, "The policy says I think you have 120 days after you've resigned and get rehired, then your benefits would be restored as if you'd never left. Under this circumstance, she's treated as a brand new hire and has to negotiate whatever additional benefits above the minimum, she would have to negotiate and that is part her deal."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I understand. Okay, thank you."

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Chairman Norton said, “Do I have a Motion?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the policy waiver.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, “Thanks, Peggy. Next item.”

O. KANSAS COLISEUM MONTHLY REPORT.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Month of November, good month, over . . . almost 78,000 people through the door, 22 events, 29 individual performances. Our revenues were in excess of \$221,000.

Annual shows, Wichita Farm Show, nearly 22,000 people in attendance. We have a five-year agreement with that. They’re on the second year of a five-year. Rodney Carrington in concert, pretty good funny man there, a little mature in the taste. But Trans-Siberian Orchestra, every once in a while we have a show where we get e-mails, phone calls and letters from people saying thank you. We got it for Pavarotti of course, for the Eagles last year and for the two Cher concerts. But we actually got more comments back from the public for the Trans-Siberian Orchestra. It’s a modern take on classic music, Christmas music, a lot of guitars, a lot of light show, it was just

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tremendous. People were really impressed. It was certainly nothing like what you experienced when you came to see the show. It was absolutely incredible.

The had the third annual Turkey Classic, those things just keep on growing. This is our third year. We had over 1,300 people. The people that attend are not the important part. It's all the cars and all the people that come in and spend the weekend in our area over Thanksgiving and all the hotel rooms up in Park City were full.

Again, Wichita . . . the U.S. Weapons and Knife Show, over 4,000 people in attendance. And then we have the Church of God in Christ Mennonite Conference. Now that was a very low-key event and that was at the request of our client. They don't look for a lot of publicity, but we had over 22,000 people at our place for three days over Thanksgiving and they were very happy with the way things worked out. This is more than likely going to be the largest convention or gathering like that in our area this year.

And in sport zone, six games with the Thunder, over 17,000 people in attendance.

Coming up, we've got another U.S. Weapons Gun and Knife show in early January. RV Show comes in again, it's another annual event. U.S. Hot Rod Thunder Nationals, that's three days of loud noise, a lot of fun for the kids. Tornado Alley is coming back with their second paintball tournament. As you recall, a couple of months ago I gave you a report on the first one we had. It was so successful, they've got teams coming in from about 14 states right now taking a part in this one. And then our annual rodeo, January 16th through the 18th, the PRCA Rodeo. That concludes my report for the Month of November. I'd be happy to answer any questions at this time."

Chairman Norton said, "Give us a little preview of next year, what's coming up in the spring quarter."

Mr. Nath said, "Well, it looks like it's going to be a fairly good concert year, but since I don't have any signed contracts back, I really hesitate to mention the acts. We're going to be heavy into country music in the spring. There will be some heavy metal and then there are some other surprises on the way. But all of our family shows and all of our recurring annual events will be back. Sport Boat and Travel Show in February, it's their fiftieth year, they're going to do a big thing.

The annual State High School Wrestling Tournament is coming back. The Shrine Circus will be

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back. Of course the Stealth will be playing again, starting in the spring. We will filling up anywhere we can with as many concerts and special events and we will be starting our second year with the race track. So we're looking at some pretty exciting things."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "I had a teenager share with me that the concerts were down this year. Was it just that we had an outstanding year the year before? Are we on track for being average on the amount?"

Mr. Nath said, "We had a pretty atypical year last year with events and concerts. That's certainly more than we would normally do. This year we're tracking pretty well as pretty much on average, with about 13 and that's about what we do every year. Actually, we get probably far more than our fair share for a market our size, for a building our size."

Commissioner McGinn said, "So it was just that last year was more of an outstanding year."

Mr. Nath said, "That was a good year for us last year."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. What is the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

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Chairman Norton said, "Thanks, John. Next item."

P. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

1. RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM ONE OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 26, 2003.

Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This item was deferred from the July 2nd Commission meeting."

**1) RESCUE TRUCK- FIRE DISTRICT
FUNDING: FIRE SPECIAL EQUIPMENT**

The item is a rescue truck for the Fire District. The recommendation is the only bid meeting specifications from Pierce Manufacturing for a not to exceed total of \$328,692.

As a reminder of the discussion back in July, regarding the specifications, the bid from Central States Fire Apparatus was an incomplete bid in that they did not address half of the requirements that were listed in the bid documents. We did go back to the vendor, ask him for some clarifications, gave him a deadline. He did not respond, so we consider the bid incomplete.

The bid from Hackney Emergency Vehicles did not meet all of our specifications. Some of the biggest concerns, there was no diagnostic software that was addressed. They bid a lighter frame, smaller storage compartments, issues that would impact the size of the vehicle, the ability to carry all of the current equipment that is on the existing vehicle. They also did not include any inspections. These things would have added costs to their bid, had they addressed those. So as a result of that, then the recommendation becomes Pierce Manufacturing. Be happy to answer any other questions, and recommend approval of this item."

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

Commissioner Unruh said, "I'll make a Motion and then we'll call for discussion again."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the recommendation of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

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Chairman Norton said, "I have a Motion and a Second. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Commissioners, I'm not going to be able to support this and I just want to make a couple of quick comments. One is I want all of the employees in the Fire District to know that I appreciate their work and their hard work and their support and you know, I've got a great deal of confidence in their ability to have one of the best districts in the state and now we can really say the nation or the world practically, with their new accreditation. I mean, they've got a terrific department."

I think the fire department is going to go through some really strenuous financial challenges in the next couple of years and I'm going to try to be supportive of keeping staff in line, in keeping the number of firefighters we have in place, the number of locations at the right place and that we have them fully staffed and we're able to support the firefighters as I think is necessary. So when it comes to . . . and I know that we could just disagree to disagree whether this is really critical to the mission vehicle, but I'm afraid that I'm just going disagree and so, again, I'm not going to support this purchase. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, usually I'm usually one that will always come up excited about why you're buying the most expensive piece of equipment or what have you, but I think you've gone a long way in explaining why this particular vendor was chosen."

I'd like to ask maybe somebody from the fire department or somebody, because I think what Commissioner Winters is bringing up is a very valid concern. That maybe just to explain to us why we need this piece of equipment and why do we need this piece of equipment now. And then after that I've got one question of I think Mr. Buchanan or Mr. Euson. So if he could do that."

Chief Gary Curmode, Fire District #1, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This has been in our financial plan since about '95 to '96 and each year we've had to push that back, due to financial considerations for the fire district. And this caused a compression, if you will, that all of the sudden now you have a lot of vehicles, as we've noticed in the last two years, that have come needing major purchasing and changes. And basically, some of the things we've looked at here, our current rescue vehicle was a vehicle that we modified from an engine. We made it into a rescue vehicle, again, to get all our rescue equipment, technical rescue which includes trench rescue, confined space, swift water to handle for drowning and so forth, to get all that material to the scene and

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equipment and manpower, now we have to send three different vehicles. You're putting three additional emergency traffic vehicles on the highways of Sedgwick County, which can create, anytime an emergency vehicle is running, what we call 1039, red lights and sirens, that causes an extreme potential hazard there. So it decreases the amount of traffic twice.

Another thing that . . . excuse me. We looked at basically we have a joint City/ County technical rescue team, similar to the hazardous material team that goes jointing on efforts. It takes about 10 people to do those rescue efforts at a minimum. We average about 40 to 60 alarms requiring that specialized knowledge, equipment to get it to the scene.

Additional capability that it brings us is we can now carry hose reels on it, we can carry a generator on it, we can carry the cribbing, the shoring equipment. On our dive rescue, in the past we've had to cloth outside and put on the gear outside in the weather. That creates a real problem. There's no privacy, again, also for that. This way they can be done inside, in a safe environment, not worrying about slipping on the ice if we have an ice rescue or those things.

We have increased, in the last year or two, since we do have a long response time for second and third engines in our district, because we cover 636 square miles. This gives us some additional capacity. Right now, if we request an additional third engine from a station that comes from surrounding parts of the county, that pulls and makes a void in that area for protection, in both fire suppression and medical response. This will diminish that and minimize the potential to deplete those areas for responding.

Another reason, we've looked at . . . we studied this real hard. We've been under our new Fleet Maintenance agreement, it will be two years in February with Fleet Management Director Marvin Duncan. We've looked at this in detail. We've had complete support from him. We've had very good support from also Bob Lamkey, my Public Safety Director. And to give you an idea of these alarms that the technical rescue team encompasses, again as I mentioned, 40 to 60 alarms per year that are specialized, that need the specialized equipment and response. That included DeBruce, it included two floods in the past six years, it included the tornadoes that hit Haysville. It also included the baby Jessie rescue down near Mulvane. And as a joint rescue for the county, it not only supports supporting the 340,000 plus citizens in Wichita, it also covers the 70,000 plus in the

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fire district and then we still go to the unincorporated areas in the county in the event they have something, because they don't have anything to get those people out of a collapse, a trench rescue, a confined space emergency.

So again, we have kind of a seamless, if you will, as seamless system for the Haz Mat Team and the technical rescue team and this allows us to provide that service a lot safer for our people, on the highway, at the emergency scene and getting the equipment there in a timely fashion.

By getting it this year, after the first year that same truck goes up approximately \$12,000 again. The need is still there, regardless of how our fire district stays the same, continues to grow as it is in the small cities or say even diminish, we have the same alarms to go to, we need the same equipment to get us there safely.

We have, as you mentioned, Commissioner Winters, outstanding fire department. The men and women are just doing a tremendous job in our department. We also need the equipment to let them continue to do their job and this will help them.

This will meet our needs for the next 20 years, so when we buy a purchase like this, this is something we don't trade in every five or six years. We're going to use 15 years front line and 5 years reserve and we have an excellent maintenance division that takes care of those, so I just see pluses all the way around here, for the citizens and for the Board of County Commissioners serving as our Fire District Board."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. That's all I had and I don't have any other questions for you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "All right, well thank you. And I think Chief Curmode hit on some of the things that I was going to mention. And I know we're going through some tough economical times and we have put off some of these things in the past because we knew we were coming into some of these times, but in hearing the need for some of this equipment and things like that and thinking about the DeBruce Grain Elevator and the baby Jessica or Jessie I guess it is in the well, drowning and trying to recover victims and then other incidences when people are still alive. We can't wait until times are good to purchase that, because these are needs that we have right now in our community, they're unexpected and we have to react quickly and we have to have some of the best equipment in order to save people's lives. So I'm going to certainly support this and I think you said, Gary, that we have like 40 to 60 of these incidents a year?"

Chief Curmode said, "That's correct, Commissioner."

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Commissioner McGinn said, "All right, thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you. I just wanted to make a couple of comments. From my observation of the piece of equipment, I went out to look at it and it's an old truck. It's got a lot of rust on it, the doors aren't working very good, the latches work very hard. The space is totally crammed full and they still have another cabinet on the wall full of equipment that should be loaded on this vehicle. It's a 1981 Ford I think is what it is. It's only a two seater and on a call, more people respond than that and as the chief mentioned, when they go out in the wintertime and they have to change into a wetsuit, stand beside the side of the road, you know, it's not good number one, it's not professional way to do things and it's not the type of organization, you know, if we could do better we should do better with equipment.

It's hard to call on people to do a job with broken tools and so I really believe that we need to provide this equipment. I noticed also that, when I was out there the other day, they'd built some side boards on it out of 2 by 12s so they could handle more of their trenching equipment, so we got a piece of county equipment with a couple of boards bolted on it to make it adequate. It's not a good situation, in my opinion.

In light of the fact that we have a joint agreement with the City of Wichita and didn't they recently purchase a new rescue vehicle that's about \$120,000 or \$130,000 more expensive?"

Chief Curmode said, "That's correct. It's just under a half million dollars, the one they bought and we tried to look at that and for our needs, they were able to provide that for their community but with our needs, we scaled it down to the bare minimum that we thought was needed to do the job adequately for 20 years and again, I want to thank our apparatus committee and Deputy Chief Byron Chrisler, because he did a lot of research on this and I always said, make sure we look at the corner, keep it to the bare minimum and that's what he did. And that's what again our Director and the Fleet Maintenance Director supported. And so again, we kept it . . . it will work in tandem with that apparatus very well of the City's."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Well, it just makes . . . underscores a point that we're not buying the

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biggest and the best, we're buying what's adequate and what will do the job for us. So I'm satisfied that you've done your homework and have done that properly. Our information indicates that it's going to take a three and a half or four percent increase next year, so there's some reason, besides the fact that we've been planning on it, that we need to go ahead and get this decision taken care of and give our people the equipment they need to do a good job and that we are full partners with the City of Wichita in this effort. So a lot of reasons that I'm in favor. Don't like spending the money, so I'll agree with Commissioner Winters there. It's a lot of money but we need, we need to do it, I think it's the right thing to do. I'm going to support it. Thank you."

Chairman Norton said, "Okay. I would entertain a Motion. We have a Motion and we've had all the discuss . . . any other? One final comment, I'll be in support of this. Originally I was in support of deferring and holding off. We moved forward on some tenders, I believe back in July. I thought those were the most important pieces of equipment but I've come to the conclusion that if we continue to wait on various pieces of equipment, we'll end up back in that same cycle that we were when we had to replace tenders, that we've got some old equipment that is really out of date and it goes out of service and then we have nothing. So it is a lot of money. I agree with Tom that in tough economic times it's not always prudent to spend money, but I've come to the conclusion this will be a good expenditure of money for our fire district, so I will be supportive of it today. Clerk, call the roll."

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	No
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, "Next item."

2. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 11, 2003.

Ms. Baker said, "Commissioners, the meeting of the 11th resulted in 13 items for consideration today.

**1) ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES RENEWAL- HUMAN RESOURCES
FUNDING: HUMAN RESOURCES/ EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

The first item, administrative services renewal for Human Resources. Recommend the contract

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renewal with Fiserv of Kansas for an estimated cost of \$25,275.40.

**2) EMPLOYEE MEDICAL INSURANCE- HUMAN RESOURCES
FUNDING: HUMAN RESOURCES/ EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Item two, employee medical insurance for Human Resources. Recommend negotiated renewals for contracts with Preferred Plus of Kansas for an estimated \$7,111,833 and Blue Cross/ Blue Shield of Kansas for an estimated \$7,128,561.98 for a total estimated expenditure of \$14,240,394.98.

**3) EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE SERVICES- HUMAN RESOURCES
FUNDING: HUMAN RESOURCES/ EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Item three, employee assistance services for Human Resources. Recommend the renewal of the contract with EMP Plus for an estimated \$26,880.

**4) A D & D / LIFE INSURANCE RENEWALS- HUMAN RESOURCES
FUNDING: HUMAN RESOURCES/ EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Item four, AD&D life insurance renewals for Human Resources. Recommend renewal of the contract with Advance Insurance Company for an estimated \$171,637.29.

**5) APPLICATION FIREWALL SOFTWARE- DIVISION INFORMATION &
OPERATIONS
FUNDING: DIVISION INFORMATION & OPERATIONS**

Item five, application firewall software for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend the low bid from Fishnet Security for \$31,741.50.

**6) RSA SECURITY KEY FOBS- DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS
FUNDING: SUBSCRIBER ACCESS**

Item six, RSA security key fobs for the Division of Information and Operations. Recommend low bid from CDW Government for \$25,100.

**7) CHANGE ORDER- ENCLOSURE & RE-ROOF- FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Item seven is a change order for the enclosure and re-roof of the corrections office at 905 North

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Main. Recommend acknowledgement of the change order with C. Smith Company for \$4,935.

8) CHANGE ORDER- VOTING MACHINE SERVICE CENTER- FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Item eight, a change order for the voting machine service center for Facility Project Services. Recommend the acknowledgement of the change order with Commerce Construction for \$7,465.

9) A & E SERVICES FOR KANSAS COLISEUM UPGRADE- FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Item nine, A & E services for the Kansas Coliseum upgrade for Facility Project Services. Recommend to execute a contract with Wilson, Darnell and Mann for a negotiated not to exceed amount of \$2,660,675.

10) STEAMERS- FACILITIES MAINTENANCE
FUNDING: DETENTION MAINTENANCE

Item ten, steamers for Facilities Maintenance. Recommend the low bid meeting specifications from Premier Restaurant Supply for \$11,540.

11) TWO-MAN PLATFORM BUCKET TRUCK- FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING: FLEET MANAGEMENT

Item eleven, a two-man platform bucket truck for Fleet Management. Recommend the low bid, including trade-in and manuals for a total of \$74,141.

12) STILLWELL YARD PARKING LOT- PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: SALES TAX

Item twelve, Stillwell yard parking lot for Public Works. Recommend the low bid, including alternate, from APAC of Kansas for \$196,320.95.

13) DIGITAL MULTIFUNCTION PRINTING DEVICE- DISTRICT ATTORNEY
FUNDING: DISTRICT ATTORNEY ADMINISTRATION

And item thirteen, digital multifunction printing device for the District Attorney. Recommend the

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low bid meeting specifications from Image Quest, including the five-year cost for copy charges, for a total expenditure of \$43,306.

Be happy to answer any questions and recommend approval of these items.”

Chairman Norton said, “Commissioners, questions? Discussion? Iris, on number six you indicate that we took the low bid, which we did. It was three dollars less than another bid, but it would not guarantee its pricing for the next two years. It seems to me, with price increases going up and a bid that’s only three dollars more, it might be advantageous to consider that.”

Ms. Baker said, “The department is anticipating this being the final year for key fobs. They’re not anticipating buying any more, so for that reason it’s not a consideration.”

Chairman Norton said, “Other questions, discussion? At this point, I would entertain a Motion.”

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the recommendation of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, “Thanks, Iris. Next item.”

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CONSENT AGENDA

Q. CONSENT AGENDA.

- 1. Sanitary Sewer Easement at Sedgwick County Zoo for construction of a sewer line by the City of Wichita.**
- 2. General Bills Check Register(s) for the week of December 10 – 16, 2003.**

Mr. Buchanan said, “Commissioners, you have the consent agenda before you and I would recommend you approve it.”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the Motion.

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

VOTE

Commissioner David M. Unruh	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Tim Norton	Aye

Chairman Norton said, “At this point, I will suspend the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners.”

The Board of County Commissioner recess into the Fire District #1 meeting at 12:15 p.m. and returned at 12:21 p.m.

Chairman Norton said, “Is there anything else to come before us? Any ‘Other’?”

R. OTHER

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Chairman Norton said, “Well I’ll comment on last night we were here for a legislative dinner, as Representative Meyers indicated. I think we had 13 or 14 legislators here and several county commissioners to visit with them and quite a few staff who understand kind of their look at what the legislative session is going to look like and talk with them about our platform and issues. I think it was pretty good meeting, it didn’t last very long, it was a nice supper but we did do that last night. Anything else to come before us today? In that case, we’re adjourned.”

S. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

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Fifth District

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Don Brace, County Clerk

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