

District 2 Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2024 | 6 p.m.
Public Safety Building
714 N. Main.
Wichita, KS

Board Members in Attendance: Martha Pint, Tony Martinez, Dr. Susan Norton, Spencer Dean Jr., Nicole Rivera, Cheryl Hill

County Representatives: Commissioner Sarah Lopez, Elora Forshee, Director of Emergency Communications

1. Call to Order:

a. Martha Pint called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

2. Roll Call:

a. Board members identified themselves by saying, "Here."

3. Approval of Minutes from 2/6/2024:

a. Spencer Dean made a motion to approve the July 9 meeting minutes. Susan Norton seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

4. Public Agenda:

a. No public comment.

5. New Business:

a. Commissioner Update/Other Announcements

- Commissioner Lopez said the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) will
 vote on solar energy regulations at its Aug. 14 meeting. This could
 immediately affect developments in Colwich and Clearwater.
- 3. The BoCC will adopt the 2025 budget at its Aug. 21 meeting. The public is invited to give feedback at the meeting or online before the vote.
- 4. Stephanie Birmingham said the Sept. 10 CAB meeting will be held at the Haysville library with County Manager Tom Stolz giving an overview of the 2025 Adopted Budget.
- 5. Stephanie Birmingham said she is working to set up a volunteer opportunity at Simply Hygiene, formerly Giving the Basics, for the Oct. 8 CAB meeting.

6. Adjournment.

a. The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m. for a 9-1-1 presentation and tour.

9-1-1 Dispatch Overview, presented by Elora Forshee, Emergency Communications

- 1. Sedgwick County 911 moved to the Public Safety Building, 714 N. Main St., in 2007.
- It serves as the sole Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for Sedgwick County and is the largest and busiest PSAP in Kansas with more than 100 employees on staff.
- 3. Sedgwick County 911 dispatches for 30 departments in 19 municipalities.

- 4. Sedgwick County 911 answered 576,201 phone calls in 2022 and 580,786 phone calls in 2023.
- 5. On average, 76% of calls are for law enforcement, 13% are for Fire, including medical, and 11% are for EMS.
- 6. Every shift has 1-2 supervisors, 11 dispatchers, and 5-13 call takers on duty.
- 7. The call taking process:
 - Call taker or dispatcher receives call and enters it.
 - Appropriate dispatcher, based on call type and location, will dispatch the call.
 - Person taking the calls will continue to update information for the call.
 - Dispatcher continues to update units responding until they arrive on scene.
- 8. Call takers get 6 weeks of classroom training and 4 weeks of on-the-job training with a Certified Training Officer (CTO).
- 9. Dispatchers get 4 weeks of classroom training and 8 weeks of on-the-job training with a CTO.