



## District 4 Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2024 | 5:30 p.m.  
Sedgwick County 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Large Conference Room  
100 N. Broadway, Ste 630, Wichita

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**Board Members in Attendance:** Zac Day, Donald Gering, Jr., Krister Johnson, Jacob LaMunyon, Cader Newton, Chris Stingo

**County Representatives:** Commissioner Ryan Baty, Mark Clark, Sedgwick County Appraiser, Ronny Tidwell, Deputy County Appraiser

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### **1. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- a. Call to Order – Commissioner Ryan Baty
  - i. Commissioner Ryan Baty called the meeting to order at 5:35pm and took roll.
- b. Approval of Meeting Minutes – Commissioner Ryan Baty
  - i. Jacob LaMunyon motioned to approve the minutes, Chris Stingo seconded. Board approved the minutes.

### **2. PUBLIC AGENDA**

- a. The public agenda allows members of the public to address the District 4 Citizens Advisory Board.
  - i. None

### **3. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Annual Report on Real Property Value Trends – Mark Clark, Sedgwick County Appraiser
  - i. Mark gave an abbreviated presentation based on the presentation given to Commissioners on February 21, 2024.
  - ii. Consequence of failing compliance is that PVD can and has removed the Appraiser and appoint a new person.
  - iii. Property owners are encouraged to appeal the appraised value.
  - iv. Krister Johnson asked, how many people work in the Appraiser's office?
    1. Mark Clark replied, 70 and I have an audit that states I'm 30 people undermanned.
  - v. Krister Johnson asked, how long are you [Mark Clark] appointed for?
    1. Mark Clark answered, 4 years.
  - vi. Commissioner Baty asked, what can we do to reform the property tax system?
    1. Mark Clark replied, we need the Senate and House Assessment and Tax Committee to finish the work on the three tax relief programs. That is one thing that they can do. Some Appraisers think they are not doing their job unless they are hammering people that that is not needed.
  - vii. Krister Johnson asked, how granular is your appraisal process when it comes to location? If you are looking at commercial property, are you looking at similar properties in a zip code?
    1. Mark Clark answered, we use economic unit neighborhoods that various properties are assigned to. Anyone can reach out to the appraiser to ask for examples of comparable properties.

- viii. Commissioner Baty asked, how often do you go and get a physical look at a property?
  - 1. Mark Clark replied, the law requires us to do a physical inspection every 6 years. But they happen more often due to sales and other variables.
- b. 2024 Priorities for Sedgwick County
  - i. Commissioner Baty distributed a hand out to the board listing his 2024 Priorities for Sedgwick County and then went through the list.

#### **4. BOARD AGENDA**

- a. Commissioner Baty opened the meeting to comments and questions from the board.
  - i. Krister Johnson commented, we need to find a way to shift the tax burden away from property taxes.
  - ii. Donald Gering Jr. asked, it was mentioned that 35% of EMS responses do not result in transport to a hospital, is there a breakout of how many of them are refusals as compared to those who don't need it?
    - 1. Commissioner Baty responded, there is, but I don't know it off hand.
    - 2. Donald Gering Jr. commented, there is a stat that something like 25% of opioid over doses refuse transport.
    - 3. Jacob LaMunyon commented, they get Narcan and refuse until it wears off.

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

*The next Citizens Advisory Board Meeting will be **Tuesday, July 30, 2024, 5:30 p.m.,** at Sedgwick County 6th Floor Large Conference Room - 100 N. Broadway, Ste. 630, Wichita.*