

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING
MARCH 16, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Pro Tem Chairman Mark Turner with Howard McCormick and Christy Beckman present and Donald Schneider and Kelly Lowery, Attorney, present by phone.

Attending the emergency meeting are Wanda Trennepohl, Treasurer, Tasha Thode, Human Services, Susan Kinnison, Court Clerk, Larry Frame, Irrigation Office, Rob Crowder, Emergency Manager, Bridget Britton, Communication Center Director, Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate, Dan, Jackie and Kevin VanZee, Julesburg Family Market.

McCormick opened the meeting by announcing the restrictions put into place due to the COVID-19 virus stating that in order to keep the communication center personnel safe, the lower floor of the courthouse where their office is located will be on lock down. Entry is allowed only after buzzing in and answering 4 questions asked by the communication center. Upon entering the lower level, hand sanitizer will be required. There will be limited access to the public in order to try to protect the health of the essential county employee's.

After much discussion, the separate county departments will be putting restrictions into effect while still allowing public access. The front doors will still be open to the public at this time. There have been many different directives from state and national levels and in order to keep our community as safe as possible, the departments will be reaching out to the public to offer alternative ways to take care of daily business. The Clerk and Treasurer's office will open the election drop box located in the courthouse parking lot for citizen's to drop off their payments as opposed to coming into the building. The Clerk's office will direct the public to the state website for renewals of driver's license's and motor vehicle registration renewals at mydmv.colorado.gov. Both offices can take payment over the phone with a debit/credit card as well. Beckman will encourage the public to call with questions before making the decision to come into the office. Thode told the Board that part of their office will be conducting interviews via teleconferencing to limit public interaction. As of this time, Susan Kinnison has not received a directive for the courts.

The Board instructed the guests to remind their staff that if they are sick, stay home! They told them to take extra precautions and to bag their shoes when they arrive home, change clothes immediately and wash what was worn to work and to shower each night.

The VanZee's told the Board that they may have to close the sitting area for the deli but will keep the deli open for pick up only. They would love to be able to offer delivery service but their employee's are not insured to be driving for work and unfortunately, they are not set up for delivery orders like Walmart and the burden would fall on their three shoulders for the entire community. They are willing to help however they can and Crowder will contact local firefighters to see if they could also help.

The Board told the guests that they will be keeping up on all of the changes and directives daily and will keep everyone apprised. They thanked the guests for their involvement and said that they will do whatever they can to keep the staff and the community protected.

McCormick moved to adjourn the meeting. Schneider second, carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Mark Turner, Pro-Tem Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board