

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 5, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Schneider with Christy Beckman present in office and Mark Turner, Howard McCormick, Rob Crowder, Tracy Kizer, Chris Howes and Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate present by phone via zoom.

Turner moved to approve the agenda with the addition of reports on the Eastern District meeting, CSU Extension agent interviews, Governors press conference, Health Department meeting and Executive Session on a road extension request. McCormick second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the May 5, 2020 vouchers and payroll as presented. McCormick second, carried.

The minutes of the April 29, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Turner moved to approve the minutes as amended. McCormick second, carried.

Schneider reported on the Eastern District meeting and noted that some other counties are more aggressive with opening up. Discussion was held about limiting the Driver's License Office to county only appointments as Front Range people are calling and making appointments.

McCormick reported that he spoke to Mollendor and the sneeze guards are laid up due to a shipping problem with Brown Trucking and won't be delivered until next Tuesday. Mollendor offered to track the shipment and go up and get them himself.

Discussion was held on the variance request sent to the Governor and why it is taking so long. A response was supposed to be back within 36 to 48 hours and it has been a week. McCormick will contact Jon Swartout to discuss this issue.

McCormick reported on the Governor's press conference and said unfortunately, it was a waste of time.

McCormick reported on a meeting with Rod Pelton and he questioned how the Parks & Wildlife opening was being managed and concerns were discussed about one public health official making decisions for the entire state.

Turner reported on the Health Department meeting and he was concerned about their response to allowing an at risk employee return to work and how it contradicts the Governor's order that is in place. Schneider asked how the report on the counties variance request was received. Turner told the Board that our county is one of the first to ask for a variance.

Schneider reported on the CSU Extension interviews and they will let the President of CSU review before a decision is made.

Tracy Kizer updated the Board on the fairground hail repair progress and told the Board the ground is flooded after the rain. Discussion was held on any timeline with opening

the fairgrounds exhibit building. Kizer is getting requests but gatherings are put on hold until the Governor's orders change.

Chris Howes updated the Board on his upcoming surgery and Dale Jones will be stepping in during Howes absence. Howes told the Board that a DOT rep came out and there is a plan to replace all sinks and toilets in the rest areas across Colorado. Schneider asked Howes if he worked out the issue with Human Services and being delayed on receiving the sanitizer so they could open. Howes told the Board that they are all set up.

Carlton Britton, Sheriff, joined the meeting by phone. Discussion was held on phasing out the Dodge Dakota over to the Emergency Manager. The Emergency Manager pickup has 210,000 miles on it and needs a new transmission. McCormick stated that the pickup could have a salvage value of around \$1,200 and Britton can get a lower mileage used vehicle from Eagle county for \$9,000 - \$10,000.

Rob Crowder updated the Board on COVID numbers. Crowder also asked for the go ahead to apply for the two UV lights through Stretesky. The Board approved. Crowder reported that he received the AED's for the Hippodrome and Welcome Center and received approval for the All Hazards project in the amount of \$3,300 and \$1,300. Crowder asked for permission to purchase a hard drive in the amount of \$50 - \$70. Crowder told the Board that the DHSEM de-obligated \$1,941.51 for this year's grant based off of expenditures from the previous grant.

Rick Furrow is unable to attend due to chip sealing and a blow out on County Rd 30.

McCormick moved to approve the Deed of Abandonment for a portion of County Rd 13 between roads 4 and 6. Turner second, carried.

McCormick moved to approve the Payment Protection Plan loan applied for by the Hippodrome. Turner second, carried.

Vickie Sandlin told the Board that the Town of Julesburg approved using Joe's Bucks for utility payments and brought up discussion about the drag strip and how the town is not going to breach the contract to prevent him from being able to operate his business.

It is May 5, 2020 and the time is 9:17 a.m. For the record, I Donald Schneider am the Chairman, as required by the Open Meetings Law; this executive session is not being electronically recorded. Also present at the executive session are the following persons: Donald Schneider, Howard McCormick, Mark Turner, Christy Beckman, and Kelly Lowery for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b); No business will be conducted and no decisions will be made. It is now 9:31 a.m. McCormick moved to conclude the executive session. Schneider second, carried. For the record, if any person who participated in the executive session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into the executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, I would ask that you state your concerns for the record. Seeing none, the next agenda item is

McCormick made a statement that the Board received a statement to extend County Rd 24 and have decided not to approve the extension.

Turner brought up discussion about the tables the businesses needed for outside.
McCormick and Schneider told Turner that it has already been done.

McCormick moved to adjourn. Turner second, carried.

Donald Schneider, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board