

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 25, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Schneider with Howard McCormick, Mark Turner and Christy Beckman present in office. Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate, joined the meeting via zoom.

Kody Blochowicz and Toby Heath joined the meeting. Blochowicz gave the Board the E-911 proposed 2021 budget for review. Blochowicz said that there is more of an increase than anticipated. Blochowicz then told the Board that the state is demanding more than what anyone can do for free so there are two positions now in the budget which are part time positions. Blochowicz, with the backing of the E-911 Board, recommended Bridget Britton for the primary position due to the fact that she was already involved and knows what she is doing. Heath recommended that the hours be re-evaluated in six months. The next item Blochowicz presented to the Board was a question of where the by-laws are. Discussion was held and Blochowicz and Heath would like to tighten things up and get an established board and bylaws in order. Heath and Blochowicz left the meeting.

Schneider moved to approve the agenda with the addition of the Task Force Meeting report, Cares Act grant applications and approval of the TABOR-Lower South Platte Water Conservancy District Mill Levy letter. Turner second, carried.

Turner moved to approve the November 25, 2020 vouchers and payroll as presented with the exception of check #86686 from the Sheriff for weapons as it was not budgeted under capital outlay. McCormick second, carried. Discussion: The Board would like to remind department heads / supervisors that they need to get permission from the Board prior to authorizing overtime.

The minutes of the November 17, 2020 meeting were reviewed. McCormick moved to approve the minutes as amended. Schneider second, carried.

Schneider reported that the COVID Task Force met Monday night with 15 attendees. Vaccine will be coming for health workers and first responders by the 15th of the month in the amount of 55 doses for the first round. The cares act business grant applications have a quick turn-around as they are due in by the 30th and the checks being sent by December 10th. Mobile testing unit will not be here today due to staffing issues but will be here next Wednesday. The next COVID Task Force meeting will be next Monday.

The Lower South Platte Water Conservancy District Mill Levy letter from attorney Kelly Lowery was reviewed. The letter states that the Mill Levy increase was not done in accordance with the TABOR law and the Commissioners agree with this. McCormick moved to approve the letter which will go to the TABOR Committee. Turner second. Schneider abstained due to being a member of the

COVID updates: Sedgwick County numbers are up.

The Board reviewed a report from Treasurer, Wanda Trennepohl, concerning property taxes for county owned properties. Schneider moved to approve the Treasurer's report on county owned properties. McCormick second, carried. Discussion: The amount is \$2,398.75

Turner moved to approve the Honorary Proclamation commemorating Sedgwick County School Choice Week January 24-30, 2021. McCormick second, carried.

Discussion was held on the office rent and internet costs for the irrigation district office. McCormick moved to raise the irrigation district office rent from \$1,500 per year to \$6,000 per year effective January 1, 2021. Turner second, carried.

McCormick moved to adjourn the meeting. Turner second, carried.

Donald Schneider, Chairman

Christy M Beckman Clerk to the Board