

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 7, 2022

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

Turner moved to approve the agenda with the addition of adding Chad Hoschouer in place of Rick Furrow and Employers Council contract under new business. McCormick second, carried.

The June 7, 2022 payables were reviewed. McCormick moved to approve the June 7, 2022 payables. Turner second, carried.

Turner moved to approve the May 27, 2022 minutes as amended. McCormick second, carried.

Turner moved to approve the May 31, 2022 minutes as presented. McCormick second, carried.

Turner moved to approve a raise for Josilyn Lutze, Extension Office, at \$19.49 per hour. McCormick second, carried.

Chad Hoschouer, Mayor, joined the meeting to have a discussion about the possible purchase of the high school and any miscommunication that happened between the attorneys. Schneider told Hoschouer that the purchase of the property is not what is concerning, it is the upkeep of the facilities. Discussion was held and due to the miscommunication the Board will have more discussion. Hoschouer told the Board what incentives the Town of Julesburg will offer for the Cobblestone hotel. Discussion was then held on the Sheriff contract and the Town would like to get a rebate for part of this year and the Town attorney will contact the County attorney. McCormick asked Hoschouer why they did not come to the Board if they were not satisfied with the services of the contract. Discussion was held. Hoschouer left the meeting.

The Treasurer's May Financial Report was reviewed.

Discussion was held on the increased cost of the postage machine. Schneider moved to let the contract expire and to go back to using stamps and will re-evaluate in January. McCormick second, carried.

Phil Biersdorfer, Sheriff, joined the meeting. The Board discussed the meal policy allowance of \$12 per meal for an invoice that was submitted. Biersdorfer updated the Board on current projects including progress on the employee at the academy. Schneider brought up discussion about patrolling on the interstate. Biersdorfer left the meeting.

McCormick moved to approve an additional contract with the Employers Council at \$1,500 per year. Schneider second, carried.

Cameron Britton, Building Maintenance, joined the meeting. Britton updated the Board on current projects including the fairground bathroom project. Britton told the Board that he is having trouble finding help for the summer. Britton left the meeting.

Rob Crowder, Civil Defense, joined the meeting. Crowder updated the Board on current projects including being accepted into advanced academy and the possibility of moving the tornado siren from 6th street. Crowder told the Board that Tallgrass is starting to work on the Trailblazer Pipeline to pump CO2 through to begin in 2024. Crowder asked to use the fairground arena for fire training on the 15th. Crowder told the Board that the EMPG award is going up to \$35,000. Crowder left the meeting.

Rhonda Graham, Economic Development, joined the meeting. Graham updated the Board on current projects including the Cobblestone incentives, Welcome to Julesburg sign and the high school. Discussion was held on what activities could be incorporated into ownership of the high school. Graham left the meeting.

Schneider moved to hire Amethyst Quayle and to reinstate Kort Johnson to the Ambulance service. Turner second, carried

Marilyn Wagner, CTSI, joined the meeting via zoom. Wagner gave the Board the Casualty Property Pool Loss Ratio and Work Comp Report for review. The Board asked about the defensive driving classes. Wagner left the meeting.

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

Donald Schneider, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board