

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 10, 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, joined the meeting.

McCormick moved to approve the agenda with the addition of report on town meeting, Ovid kitchen and legislation. Schneider second, carried.

The May 10, 2022 payables were reviewed. McCormick moved to approve the May 10, 2022 payables. Schneider second, carried.

McCormick moved to approve the May 3, 2022 minutes as presented. Turner second, carried.

Phil Biersdorfer, sheriff, joined the meeting. Biersdorfer reported on the part-time deputy situation and told the Board there will be one more deputy from Yuma able to work part-time and will bring more information in as he receives it. Discussion was held on the patrol vehicles and issues that need to be taken care of. Biersdorfer told the Board that he is working on contracts with Matt Crowder for transports in the near future. Biersdorfer left the meeting.

Bridget Britton, Communication Center, joined the meeting. Britton presented the Board with an overview of the need for an IT assessment for the county due to the lack of redundancy when fiber is cut and how it directly affects the communication center. Britton told the Board that IT Coordinator Santistevan can be available to do the assessment. Turner moved to approve the assessment by Santistevan. Schneider second, carried.

Schneider reported on the meeting with the Town of Julesburg. Because the Board knew that the sheriff's office could not fulfill the contract with the resignation of the Sheriff, and therefore severed the contract. The Town requested the funds that they paid the County for the last few months be refunded, however, records were given that show the Sheriff's office and the communication center were indeed fulfilling the contract prior to Britton's resignation.

McCormick reported on the Ovid Kitchen and due to lack of funding it has been closed. McCormick has been reaching out and will find more information. The kitchen for the region is currently based out of Brush.

The Treasurer's April Financial Report was reviewed.

Schneider told the Board they will have to meet with Attorney Lowery to get the payroll change for the Sheriff's office into the personnel policy.

Turner reported on the current legislative bills including the collective bargaining bill which appears that it will pass and also a prairie dog bill that is concerning to our area.

Rhonda Graham, Economic Development and Greg Thomason, Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT), joined the meeting. Thomason gave the Board a presentation and a proposal for a Comprehensive Economic

Development Strategy for our six-county region through NECALG. Discussion was held. Thomason left the meeting. Graham presented the Board with documentation reflecting town and county taxes and incentives from Tim J Schefchik, Cobblestone representative, for review. The Town will be having a special meeting on Tuesday to discuss this further. Discussion was held about incentives and the feasibility study. Graham left the meeting.

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

Donald Schneider, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board