

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Schneider with Howard McCormick, Ronald Berges and Christy Beckman present. The Assessors Office, Finance Office, R&B Office, Clerk's Office, Communication Center, Treasurer's Office, and Extension Office joined the meeting via zoom.

McCormick moved to approve the agenda with the addition of adding an executive session, holding a special use permit under unfinished business and adding a gravel permit, welcome center new hire and ambulance new hires under new business. Berges second, carried.

McCormick moved to approve the August 22, 2023, vouchers as presented. Berges second, carried.

McCormick moved to approve the August 15, 2023, minutes as presented. Schneider second, carried.

Tasha Thode, Human Services, joined the meeting. Schneider moved to approve the August 22, 2023 agenda as presented. McCormick second, carried. McCormick moved to approve the July 28, 2023 minutes as presented. Berges second, carried. The Board reviewed June financial report. Thode left the meeting.

Berges moved to hold the special use permit that was previously approved for Dave Nein with Tallgrass. Schneider second, carried. McCormick recused himself.

Schneider moved to approve the IGA between Sedgwick County and Revere School District for the November 7, 2023 Election. McCormick second, carried.

Schneider reported that interviews were conducted on Monday for the open position at the welcome Center. Schneider moved to approve the hiring of Charlene Young as the part time welcome center position to begin at \$15.65 per hour. McCormick second, carried.

McCormick moved to approve the gravel purchase and access agreement between Sedgwick County and ACL Land & Cattle LLC. Berges second, carried.

Rob Crowder, Emergency Manager, joined the meeting. Crowder updated the Board on current projects including the approval of the EMPG special projects grant, his appointment as chairman of the All Hazard Group, a table-top exercise to be held on Thursday at the hospital, Hazard Awareness in Sedgwick on Saturday and the cot for the ambulance (Marquardt Foundation grant) coming in. Discussion was held on the power outage and the need to place oxygen in the firehalls at Ovid and Sedgwick for future power outage emergencies.

Bridget Britton, Comm Center Director, joined the meeting with Crowder. Britton recommended hiring of three people for ambulance. Schneider moved to approve the hiring of Juan Delahoya, Jackie Roman and Kim Zion to be ambulance drivers. Berges second, carried. McCormick recused himself. Britton told the Board that she is recommending to term an ambulance employee as per the personnel policy and after discussion with the chairman over the weekend. Schneider moved to approve the

termination of an ambulance employee. Berges second, carried. McCormick recused himself. Britton told the Board that she will be hiring a temporary assistant. The Board requested to go into executive session. Schneider moved to go into executive session on August 22, 2023, at 8:52 a.m. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); No business will be conducted, and no decisions will be made. Berges second, carried. The time is now 9:00 a.m. and the executive session has been concluded. The participants in the executive session were: Donald Schneider, Howard McCormick, Ron Berges, Rob Crowder and Bridget Britton. 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, we will continue with the next agenda item. Crowder and Britton left the meeting.

Jim Beck, Commissioner Redistricting advisory board, joined the meeting. Schneider moved to go into recess at 9:01 a.m. for the Commissioner Redistricting Public Hearing. The advisory board met to re-draw the commissioner district lines for Sedgwick County as it had been over 40 years since this was done and the population in those districts shifted well over the 5% allowed by law. No guests attended the public hearing and although there was a constituent who came in person to the clerk's office to ask questions, no email or letter has been submitted. The meeting was reconvened at 9:17 a.m. and Beck left the meeting.

Schneider moved to go into executive session on August 22, 2023, at 9:18 a.m. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); No business will be conducted, and no decisions will be made. Berges second, carried. The time is now 9:00 a.m. and the executive session has been concluded. The participants in the executive session were: Donald Schneider, Howard McCormick and Ron Berges. 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, we will continue with the next agenda item.

Berges moved to put Tasha Harris on temporary duty while recovering. Schneider second, carried.

Schneider moved to adjourn the meeting. Berges second, carried. The meeting was adjourned.

