

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUG 10, 2020

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

Schneider moved to approve the agenda with the addition of courthouse doors under unfinished business and fairgrounds wedding reception request, request from steering committee to use the exhibit building for meetings and Michael Auction under unfinished business. McCormick second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the Aug 10, 2020 vouchers as presented. McCormick second, carried.

The minutes of the Aug 4, 2020 meeting were reviewed. McCormick moved to approve the minutes as amended. Schneider second, carried.

McCormick moved to unlock the courthouse and annex doors to be open to the public. Schneider second, carried. Discussion: The department heads should still monitor their staff by taking temperatures, etc and a log should be kept of all visitors just in case there is a breakout and contact tracing is needed.

The Board reviewed a request from an individual who is renting the exhibit building on September 12th for a wedding reception to serve alcohol at a wedding reception. Discussion was held on the issues surrounding current executive orders. Schneider will contact the individual to discuss the issues before approval.

McCormick talked to Brian Lanckriet about using the exhibit building to have a meeting about the school bond. Schneider moved to allow the use of the exhibit building at no charge for the meetings since the community rooms are not available. McCormick second, carried.

Eva Contreras, Assessor and Wanda Trennepohl, Treasurer, joined the meeting. Discussion was held on the hiring process. Contreras expressed concerns about the commissioners wanting to be involved in the interview and hiring process saying that isn't the way it's done anywhere else. The Board is wanting to work with the elected officials and department heads in order to be informed about the position being approved as they are in charge of the budget and finances and they told Contreras that she is still the one making the decision. Contreras told the Board that it is her office and her decision and they don't need to be involved. McCormick pointed out that the employees who are hired are the county's responsibility and if anything were to happen and they want to start a lawsuit, it is not the assessor they would be suing it is the county and that

makes it their responsibility. After much discussion, Contreras told the Board she gives up and that they won and left the meeting, Trennepohl followed.

Schneider spoke to Mike Michael's who asked the Board if he can have an online auction inside the exhibit building with limited people there just for the inspection. The Board will allow this.

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


Donald Schneider, Chairman


Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board