

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard McCormick with Donald Schneider, Ronald Berges and Christy Beckman present. Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate, John Fryar, Lori Ehmke, Eva Contreras, Alexia Mayhue, Rhonda Graham, Matt Crowder, Phil Biersdorfer and Rob Crowder joined the meeting.

Schneider moved to approve the agenda with the addition of new truck and fair under reports, add short executive session and marketing district under unfinished business. Berges second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the August 20, 2024 payables as presented. Berges second, carried.

Berges moved to approve the August 13, 2024 minutes as presented. Schneider second, carried.

Matt Crowder, Sheriff, gave the Commissioners his resignation, effective today at 12:00 p.m. Crowder left the meeting.

Rob Crowder, Emergency Manager, gave the Commissioners his resignation, effective August 31, 2024. Crowder left the meeting.

Phil Biersdorfer, Undersheriff, told the Board he is not resigning and according to statute, will assume the duties of Sheriff. Biersdorfer left the meeting.

McCormick reported that the new truck for R&B has been built.

McCormick reported that the county fair went well and the Board would like to congratulate Josilyn Lutze, Extension Office, for a job well done.

Kacey Campbell and Bob Coty, Road & Bridge, joined the meeting. Discussion was held on new hires and what the budget will allow. Berges moved to approve the hiring of Thomas Heath as a full-time employee to start at \$18.67 per hour. Schneider second, carried. Campbell and Coty left the meeting.

Rhonda Graham, Economic Development, told the Board that Cruise Night went well outside of a couple of minor issues and asked the Board for any input. Graham thanked the Commissioners and the Town of Julesburg for their participation. Graham then asked the Board if they would be willing to donate to Chamber Bucks. The Board will have a discussion.

Jan Toyne joined the meeting asking the Board for a donation for the Sedgwick Harvest Fest demo derby. The Board told her to contact the Town first to see if the annual donation for them can be used for the derby. Toyne left the meeting.

Natasha Thode, Human Services, joined the meeting. Schneider moved to approve the July 30, 2024 agenda as presented. Berges second, carried. Schneider moved to approve

the July 13, 2024 minutes as presented. Berges second, carried. The Board reviewed the June financial report. Thode left the meeting.

It is August 20, 2024 and the time is 8:55 a.m.. For the record, I am the Chairman, as required by the Open Meetings Law; Also present at the executive session are the following persons: Donald Schneider, Howard McCormick, Ronald Berges and Kelly Lowery, Attorney. This is an executive session for the following purpose: For a conference with the County Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on the Firearm Resolution under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b); The time is now 9:35 a.m. and the executive session has been concluded. 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 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. Hearing none, the next agenda item is...

McCormick noted that the Sweden Crème property contract is complete and he asked Beckman to put the document that Kelly Lowery will be sending on the web and give to Bridget Britton to put on Facebook. Schneider moved to accept the contract for the Sweden Crème property and to start advertising. Berges second, carried.

McCormick noted that according to statute, the Undersheriff, Phil Biersdorfer, will assume the duties of Sheriff until an appointment by the Commissioners is made. Discussion was held on possibly putting applications out for the position.

Vickie Sandlin asked the Board if they would be willing to donate \$75 towards the Sedgwick Harvest Fest advertising. They will personally donate.

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

Howard McCormick, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board