SEDGWICK COUNTY SPECIAL BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 11, 2025

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ronald Berges with John Fryar, Darrin Tobin and Christy Beckman present in office. Dan Pederson joined the meeting.

The Board suggested this work session to have discussion on the budget. Pederson started with his concerns. The first being an issue with retirement for the few part time ambulance positions. Beckman said historically these employees were hired in part time positions and according to policy, those positions do not qualify for retirement benefits. Beckman found the ERISA law which states that employees who work over 1,000 hours per year are entitled to the retirement benefits. Beckman expressed concerns that the timesheets that were handed in did not have hours attached with them, only a total to pay the employee, however, Tasha Harris said there were hours on them so they could go back to make that determination. Beckman was asked to reach out to our current provider and the attorney to get more information on this matter. The next concern Pederson has is the vehicle/computer and vehicle amounts put into the Sheriff's budget were done by accident. Those should have been in the Transfer budget under commissioner discretion. Pederson will ask Heather to move them.

Much discussion was held on budget details and possibilities of how to get through the year with the current budget constraints. Pederson discussed the hours he has put in to helping the payroll clerk and he is almost to the point where he will be able to print off reports and give to the Board for their review.

Fryar moved to adjourn the meeting. Tobin second, carried.

Ronald Berges, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board