

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 30, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Schneider with Ronald Berges, Howard McCormick and Christy Beckman present in office. Bridget Britton, Communication Center joined the meeting. Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate, Elmer Ruder and Eva Contreras joined the meeting via zoom.

McCormick moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Emergency Ordinance #23-01, Broadband meeting report and hospital meeting report. Berges second, carried.

The January 30, 2023 payables and payroll were reviewed. McCormick moved to approve the January 30, 2023 payables and payroll. Berges second, carried

Schneider moved to approve the January 24, 2023 minutes as amended. Berges second, carried.

McCormick reported on the broadband meeting he attended, and it appears that the best partner will be PC Telcom. There is a grant process and the Board asked Bridget Britton to go through the grant checklist.

Berges reported on the hospital board meeting he attended. The Lincoln Health CEO who is Sedgwick County's CEO's mentor attended. Discussion was held on the amount of hospital board members, Berges told the Board that most hospitals have 7 board members, however, McCormick pointed out that the statute states that there should be 5. Berges reported on some discussion of staff and collections. Berges reported that the Nursing Home is at full capacity.

McCormick moved to approve Emergency Ordinance #23-01 approving the Sedgwick County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. Berges second, carried.

Darlene Carpio, Senator Buck Rep, joined the meeting via zoom. Carpio updated the Board on current projects including Agriculture and Perkins Canal. Schneider asked about the approval process for drones over 55 pounds to be used for agriculture. Carpio left the meeting.

Tasha Harris, Ambulance, joined the meeting. Discussion was held on the budget and the approval for the purchase of a new ambulance at the cost of \$253,186. There will be grants and funding along with the county contribution. Schneider moved to approve the purchase of a new ambulance in the amount of \$253,186. Berges second, carried. McCormick recused himself. Discussion was held on the emergency snow route for the hospital. Harris told the Board that there will be a meeting between all concerned parties on Friday. Harris left the meeting.

Alex Ingelsrud, National Renewal Solutions, joined the meeting. Discussion was held on zoning regulations and permit and processes. The Board told Ingelsrud that they passed

an emergency zoning ordinance earlier and Ingelsrud discussed all of the processes on his side to help the Board know what to look for going forward. Ingelsrud left the meeting.

McCormick moved to adjourn the meeting. Berges second, carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Donald Schneider, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board