

SEDGWICK COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 23, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard McCormick with Donald Schneider, Ronald Berges and Christy Beckman present. The Treasurer, Assessor and John Fryar joined the meeting.

Schneider moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Venango Highway and Zion settlement under unfinished business and EDC meeting under reports. Berges second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the July 23, 2024 payables. McCormick second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the July 16, 2024 minutes as presented. Berges second, carried.

McCormick reported that it will take approximately 1.21 million to finish the Venango Road. The 2 million quoted in a previous meeting was incorrect.

McCormick told the Board that a bridge railing was hit south of Ovid causing a traffic hazard. McCormick called Kacey to have R&B take care of it. Discussion was held on the new mower and the possibility of storing it at the fairgrounds and splitting the cost with some exhibit monies.

Schneider reported on the Economic Development Meeting. Graham is getting the Main Street Improvement grant in the amount of \$250,000 with Stretesky donating \$30,000 and Marquardt donating \$20,000. This will help finish the sidewalks from 1st to 3rd street for phase one. Phase two will get the walks going east and west between 1st and 3rd. Korf sold and a new business is coming in. The sale of Sweden Crème property is only 6/10 of an acre. Graham is looking into Hello Lamp Posts which is a program that puts QR codes out there in the county which when downloaded, give information out. This would be at a cost of \$10,000. Schneider expressed concerns on the price.

Berges moved to approve the settlement for Kim Zion. McCormick second, carried. Schneider recused himself.

Schneider moved to approve the 2024-2025 Winter Propane Contract with Sapp Bros. Petroleum Inc. at \$.25 per gallon. Berges second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the IGA between Sedgwick County and Sedgwick County Clerk for the upcoming General Election. Berges second, carried.

Natasha Thode, Human Services, joined the meeting. Schneider moved to approve the July 23, 2024 agenda as presented. Berges second, carried. Schneider moved to approve the June 18, 2024 minutes as presented. Berges second, carried. The Board reviewed the May financial report. Discussion was held on the contract from Attorney Lowery for Lindsay Rochlitz's schooling/training. Schneider moved to approve the contract in the amount of \$25,000 on the high end for Lindsay Rocholitz's school/training. Berges second, carried. Thode presented Kim Zion's six month evaluation for review and recommended applying the \$.25 raise. Berges moved to approve the \$.25 raise for Kim

Zion for her certification and to take her off of probation. McCormick second, carried. Schneider recused himself. Thode told the Board that they will receive an accusign document for the Core Services Plan for child welfare. Thode left the meeting.

Berges told the Board that he will be interviewing a part time mower tomorrow with Kacey.

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

Howard McCormick, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board