

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 6, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Schneider with Howard McCormick, Ronald Berges and Christy Beckman present. Vicki Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate, Assessors Office, Kim Zion and Extension Office joined the meeting via zoom.

McCormick moved to approve the agenda with the addition of report on landfill scale, new hire for communication center under new business, approve R&B cameras and add an executive session. Berges second, carried.

McCormick moved to approve the June 6, 2023 vouchers as presented. Berges second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the May 30, 2023 minutes as presented. Berges second, carried.

Schneider reported that the landfill scale could be put in by June 12th.

Discussion was held on cleanup around the landfill.

The Treasurer's Financial Report was not ready so it will be presented at next week's meeting.

Schneider moved to approve a support letter for NECALG for the possible grants for the uses of the high school. Berges second, carried.

Bridget Britton presented a recommendation for hiring Lacey Coty in the communication center. Schneider moved to approve the hiring of Lacey Coty for the communication center to work up to 40 hours per week at a wage of \$17.81 per hour. Berges second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve two replacement cameras for the front gate and side shop at road & bridge. Berges second, carried.

Kacey Campbell & Bob Coty, R&B, Cameron Britton, Building Maintenance and Tracy Kizer will be unable to attend the monthly meeting.

Schneider moved to go into executive session on June 6, 2023 at 8:40 a.m. To discuss the legal issues under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(a); No business will be conducted, and no decisions will be made. McCormick second, carried. The time is now 9:02 a.m. and the executive session has been concluded. The participants in the executive session were: Howard McCormick, Ron Berges, Donald Schneider and Kelly Lowery, Attorney. 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 the 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. Seeing none, we will continue with the next agenda item.

Matthew Crowder, Sheriff, joined the meeting. Crowder updated the Board on current projects and told the Board that he has a deputy on vacation this week. Discussion was held on damage to one of the county vehicles doors. Crowder left the meeting.

Rob Crowder, Civil Defense, joined the meeting. Crowder updated the Board on current projects including a 3rd party, CMH, processing the secured transport paperwork needed. Crowder told the Board that Tasha Thode was able to secure a 100% grant for the annex access control. Crowder then told the Board that he would like to apply for a grant for 2 radios with a 50/50 pay and the county portion being \$2,450. Discussion was held on upcoming vacation days. Discussion was held on oil change for the county vehicles. McCormick brought up discussion about some of the lights not working on Able 1 ambulance. Crowder will look into it. Crowder left the meeting.

Rhonda Graham, Economic Development and Trisha Herman joined the meeting. Graham told the Board the groundbreaking for the Cobblestone will be June 12th at 10:00 am and all are invited. Graham updated the Board on current projects including the IHOP grant for Road Maps and Cruise Night. Graham reported that everything has been finalized for Cruise Night. Graham told the Board Gary Senft with Viking North Environmental will be setting up a meeting in the near future. Graham told the Board that the Westernaires will be here on June 14th. Herman did a presentation on CHFA (Colorado Housing Finance Authority). Discussion was held on the housing issues in Sedgwick County. The application for technical assistance will be due in August and Graham and Herman recommended that the county opt in. Graham and Herman left the meeting.

Ginger Williams and Stephanie Pusker, CSU, and Linda Langelo and Josilynn Lutze, extension office, joined the meeting. Williams introduced herself and told the Board that she is working with the Rural Initiative which has four parts: 1 – Improved health, 2 – Access to education, 3 – Community development and 4 – Food & Agricultural. Williams works specifically with health, specifically mental health. Pusker introduced herself and she has been hired for an internship working with mental health in rural communities. Pusker and Williams will be doing a needs assessment in our community. Williams told the board they are looking for support from the Board and will hopefully be able to present options to the community. Berges told the guests he has worked in mental health services and would be willing to help with this project. The guests left the meeting.

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

