

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 12, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Schneider with Howard McCormick and Christy Beckman present in office and Mark Turner, Rob Crowder, Carl Britton and Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate present by phone via zoom.

Turner moved to approve the agenda with the addition of reports on the variance and the fair board meeting, adding Rob Crowder at 8:45 and adding an executive session for legal advice. McCormick second, carried.

Turner moved to approve the May 12, 2020 vouchers and payroll as presented. McCormick second, carried.

The minutes of the May 5, 2020 meeting were reviewed. McCormick moved to approve the minutes as amended. Turner second, carried.

Schneider reported on the fair board meeting and said there wasn't much to report as there will be a meeting tonight with the secretary of Ag and a possible decision to be made about allowing the fair to take place. The fair board will meet again next Monday.

McCormick reported on the variance submitted for opening Sedgwick County. The variance approval was sent out on Friday but was not seen by McCormick or Schneider until Monday as it was sent to Turner. Turner explained that he saw it and tried to contact the Attorney.

McCormick noted that in the minutes for the Julesburg Advocate it was stated that the Board approved the grant for the UV lights; however, the Board only gave Crowder permission to apply for the grant.

Crowder gave the Board updates on the COVID numbers for Northeastern Colorado counties. Crowder then asked the Board for permission to apply for the RETAC grant that is 100% funded for PPE. Turner moved to approve permission for Crowder to apply for the grant. McCormick second, carried.

Discussion was held on the possibility of opening the courthouse and annex and the plans for each office to sustain the 6 foot distancing. The Board decided to allow the courthouse and annex to open on Monday, May 18, 2020 with restrictions still in place. Beckman will reach out to the other department heads to get their feedback.

Vickie Sandlin reported that there have been around \$30,000 worth of Joe's Bucks purchased so far and that the Town of Sedgwick agreed to be able to use the bucks for utility payments and would like to re-visit Sedgwick County's possibility of using them for payment.

It is May 12, 2020 and the time is 8:54 a.m. For the record, I Donald Schneider am the Chairman, as required by the Open Meetings Law; this executive session is not being electronically recorded. Also present at the executive session are the following persons: Donald Schneider, Howard McCormick, Mark Turner, Christy Beckman, Rob Crowder, Carl Britton and Kelly Lowery for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal

questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b); No business will be conducted and no decisions will be made. It is now 9:20 a.m. McCormick moved to conclude the executive session. Turner second, carried. 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, the next agenda item is

McCormick moved to approve Attorney Lowery to construct and send a letter to the Game & Fish along with letters sent to CDPHE and Governor Polis with concerns about the opening of the campgrounds at Jumbo Reservoir. Turner second, carried.

McCormick will contact Todd Barowsky about the possibility of opening the dragstrip while staying within the variance and state ordinances.

Turner moved to adjourn the meeting. McCormick second, carried.

Donald Schneider, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board