

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 5, 2021

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Schneider with Howard McCormick, Mark Turner and Christy Beckman present. Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate, joined the meeting.

McCormick moved to approve the agenda with the addition of reports on letter from DOLA concerning Ovid Fire District; Opioid MOU, new hire communication center and Republican River appointment under new business. Turner second, carried.

The October 5, 2021 payables were reviewed. Turner moved to approve the October 5, 2021 payables. Schneider second, carried.

The minutes of the September 29, 2021 meeting were reviewed. McCormick moved to approve the minutes as presented. Turner second, carried.

Josilyn Lutze, Extension Office, joined the meeting. Lutze told the Board that National 4-H week is October 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 9<sup>th</sup>. McCormick moved to approve the week of October 3, 2021 – October 9, 2021 as National 4-H week. Turner second, carried. Lutze left the meeting.

Schneider reported that a letter was received from the Department of Local Affairs stating that Ovid Fire District has not properly filed election cancellations for the last 6 years and they will dissolve as a district. The district is planning on meeting with an attorney.

Turner reported on the hospital board meeting. They are still waiting on some guidelines for the vaccine mandate. Turner reported that the finances are doing okay.

There are no COVID updates at this time.

McCormick moved to approve Investment Resolution \$2021-030 for Points West Community Bank in the amount of \$100,000 at .10% interest for six months. Turner second, carried.

Turner moved to approve Investment Resolution \$2021-030 for Points West Community Bank in the amount of \$100,000 at .10% interest for six months. McCormick second, carried.

Discussion was held on the opioid MOU that was received. The Board will talk to Logan County to find out more details.

McCormick moved to approve the hiring of Randi Rober as dispatch for the communication center at \$14.32 per hour. Turner second, carried.

Schneider updated the Board on the Community Economic Development of Sedgwick County. Schneider moved to approve the hiring of Michelle Stang as the director of the Community Economic Development of Sedgwick County. McCormick second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the appointment of Josh Lechman on the Republican River Board of Directors. Turner second, carried.

Rick Furrow, Road & Bridge, joined the meeting. Furrow suggested changing the landfill hours for the winter months. McCormick moved to approve the hours of the landfill to be 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Saturdays to begin with time change. Turner second, carried. McCormick discussed flexing the hours of the R&B maintenance in the case of bad weather on a scheduled day, they should be able to not work that day and come in on Friday instead in order to increase productivity. Furrow told the Board that Mark Berges decided to leave. Furrow will advertise for a full time position. Furrow told the Board that there is a possibility of a less expensive dump trailer coming available.

Discussion was held on incentives for the hiring of a deputy sheriff. Incentives include \$5,000 relocation bonus, \$10,000 signing bonus and a \$15,000 POST certificate scholarship and a higher starting wage of \$20.67 with experience or \$19.42 for a new graduate.

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

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Donald Schneider, Chairman

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Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board