

SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 2020

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

Turner moved to approve the agenda with the addition COVID Task Force report, work session on the wage scale and possible executive session. McCormick second, carried.

The October 6, 2020 payables were reviewed. Schneider moved to approve the October 6, 2020 payables. Turner second, carried.

The minutes of the September 29, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Schneider moved to approve the minutes as presented. McCormick second, carried.

The Treasurer's September Financial Report was reviewed.

Turner moved to approve the Treasurer's report of fee's collected. McCormick second, carried.

Schneider reported on the COVID Task Force meeting and said we are in level 2 and looking towards level 1. Because of the COVID case in the county, a waiting period of two weeks to meet the criteria of being under 75% (75 cases per 100,000) before changing levels.

Discussion was held on Halloween. The Board would like businesses to try to keep people outside while doing the business trick or treating and owners are encouraged to wear masks and gloves and maybe shields. The Board also encourages those business owners to come up with a system to possibly slide the candy into the bags with an object. As far as Halloween night goes, the Board just encourages parents to follow safe procedures.

Rob Crowder, Emergency Manager, joined the meeting.

Schneider reported under COVID updates that there are no new cases and that the Nursing Home employees are being tested every week.

Schneider moved to approve the liquor license for Ovid Fire Department for an event to be held by Todd Barowsky for the drag strip to occur in the Exhibit Building on November 7, 2020. Turner second, carried.

Discussion was held on the property line at the sewer plant for a letter that is needed for the Town of Julesburg.

Discussion was held on Joe's Bucks. Each Board member will personally donate \$200 to the Joe's Bucks program.

Tracy Kizer, Weed & Pest, joined the meeting. Kizer asked what he should charge Mike Michaels for the online auction. The Board suggested the normal charge of \$350 for the entire event. Tracy reported that they are completely hooked up to the town water. Kizer updated the Board on current projects. Kizer left the meeting.

Carlton Britton asked the Board a question concerning how many RV's can legally be on a property. McCormick believes that there would have to be a commercial well on the property. Britton will look into this matter. Discussion was held on Britton's budgets and the deficit in the jail budget. Discussion was held on the outstanding warrants in Sedgwick County. Britton told the Board the year started out with 270 outstanding warrants and they are down to about 200 currently. Britton left the meeting.

Rob Crowder asked the Board if they reviewed the quote for the air conditioner for the DTR tower. They are going to put it into next year's budget. Crowder told the Board that he would like to apply for a grant which is 100% funded and he would also like to think of some ideas for the EMPG Special Projects Grant and that is 50% funded. Crowder has been working with Nicole getting the Historical Preservation Folder together. Crowder left the meeting.

Cameron Britton, Building Maintenance, joined the meeting. Britton told the Board that he will begin replacing the damaged mirrors at the Welcome Center today. McCormick reported that the state will be replacing the stools out there. Britton updated the Board on current projects. Britton asked the Board about budgeting for updates for the sprinkler system for the courthouse. Discussion was held on the air conditioner in the IT room in the communication center. Schneider asked Britton to follow through on the windows that need replaced in the courthouse. Britton left the meeting.

It is now 9:22 and McCormick moved to go into a recess to go into a work session for the wage scale. Turner second, carried.


It is now 9:40 and Schneider moved to return to the regular meeting. Turner second, carried.

It is October 6, 2020 and the time is 9:42 a.m. Schneider moved to go into executive session, Turner second, carried. Present at the executive session are the following persons: Donald Schneider, Howard McCormick, Mark Turner, Rob Crowder, Tasha Harris, Kelly Lowery, Attorney, Meredith Burcham and Patti Lell, CTSI and Christy Beckman. This is an executive session for the following purpose: Of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); It is now 10:00 a.m. and the executive session has ended. 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: Lowery left the meeting.

Schneider moved to approve the hiring of Howard McCormick to the ambulance service as a paid employee. Turner second, carried. McCormick recused himself.

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


Donald Schneider, Chairman


Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board