

SEDGWICK COUNTY  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ronald Berges with John Fryar, Darrin Tobin and Christy Beckman present in office. Guests in office are Vickie Sandlin, Julesburg Advocate, Walt Page, Tasha Thode, Kya Smith, Alexia Mayhue, Rhonda Graham and Lori Ehmke.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Fryar moved to approve the September 23, 2025 agenda with the addition of IT RFP under new business. Tobin second, carried.

Berges moved to approve the September 23, 2025 payables. Tobin second, carried.

Fryar moved to approve the September 16, 2025 regular meeting minutes as presented. Berges second, carried.

PUBLIC:

REPORTS:

Tobin reported on the VSO conference he attended in Colorado Springs. Tobin told the Board there was much more to the VSO process than people realize.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Board reviewed the letter to Computer Information Concepts demanding the remaining funds paid for the annual contract since termination. Elmer Rudar joined the meeting via Google Teams to explain the letter. Tobin moved to approve the letter to CIC demanding payment for the remainder of the annual payment in the amount of \$11,862.13. Berges second, carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Berges moved to approve the special events liquor license for Gateway Medical Foundation for an event to be held at the fairgrounds on October 25, 2025. Tobin second, carried.

Fryar moved to approve the hiring of Blake Loftus for Weed & Pest, beginning on September 22, 2025 at \$20.75 per hour with the addition of \$.25 per certification and an increase of \$1 per hour on his one year anniversary. Tobin second, carried.

The rental agreement for Human Services was reviewed. Natasha Thode, Human Services, explained the need for the agreement. Berges moved to approve the rental agreement between Human Services and Sedgwick County. Tobin second, carried.

Berges moved to approve Darrin Tobin as the CCI Legislative representative with Ronald Berges being the alternate. Fryar second, carried.

Fryar was approached with a question about the fairground exhibit building fees being charged differently for out of county and local individuals, specifically for auctions. Berges replied that out of area individuals are charged more for rent than local

individuals currently. With Michaels auction not being in business now, the question is could we charge the local fee for the new auctioneer. Fryar suggested talking to the attorney before making a decision.

The Board reviewed the CBIG offer to Hx2 LLC - Bubbles Car Wash. Berges moved to approve the CBIG \$10,000 award to Hx2 LLC - Bubbles Car Wash. Tobin second, carried.

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

The next regular meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, September 30, 2025.

#### GUESTS:

Koby Quayle, Sheriff, joined the meeting. Quayle asked the Board for the fourth time if he could hire the two deputy positions that are open. Fryar told Quayle that he was advised that he would be allowed to hire the one position as soon as the court security grant was approved. Fryar moved to authorize Quayle to fill the open deputy position left by Undersheriff Biersdorfer. Tobin second, carried. Quayle asked the Board for permission to go forward with the contract with Tyler Technologies which will be at a cost of \$7,952 with an annual recurrence cost of \$2,405. Fryar asked who Quayle has to help facilitate the contract and equipment as there is a lot that goes with it. Fryar told Quayle that they can have a discussion about all of the details and to help figure the true cost. Quayle will put this in his budget request. Mayhue asked to talk to Tyler to see why there is an implementation fee. Fryar will work with Mayhue on this.

Natasha Thode, Human Service, joined the meeting. Fryar moved to approve the September 23, 2025 agenda as presented. Tobin second, carried. Fryar moved to approve the August 23, 2025 minutes as presented. Berges second, carried. The July financials were reviewed. Thode gave the Board the review of Natalie Miller who has been working for six months. Thode recommended she be removed from probationary status. Fryar moved to approve removing Miller from probationary status and placed on permanent status. Tobin second, carried. Thode left the meeting.

Rhonda Graham, Economic Development, and Zach Ruder, Building Maintenance, joined the meeting. Graham updated the Board on the NECALG Enterprise Zone. Graham told the Board that the priorities are the bathrooms at the community center and the gutter system to help with the ice problem in the front of the community center. Ruder told the Board they put 600-900 pounds of salt on that area last year. Graham then updated the Board on the HVAC systems in the community center along with a possible energy grant. Ruder told the Board he was contacted by the Town and there is a large leak where the geothermal system is at the community center. Fryar suggested discussing this after the regular meeting. Graham told the Board the RFP's are out for the bathrooms. Ruder presented an invoice to the Board for the electrical up in the courtroom for review.

Berges moved to recess the meeting until 9:30.

The meeting was re-convened at 9:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

It is September 23, 2025 and the time is 9:32 a.m.. For the record, I am the Chairman, as required by the Open Meetings Law; this executive session is being electronically recorded. Also present at the executive session are the following persons: Ronald Berges, John Fryar, Darrin Tobin and Kathryn Schroeder, Special Counsel. This is an executive session for the following purpose: For the 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); The time is now 9:55 a.m. and the executive session has been concluded. The participants in the executive session were: Ronald Berges, John Fryar, Darrin Tobin, Matthew Mendisco and Kathryn Schroeder, Special Counsel. 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 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. Hearing none, the next agenda item is...

ADJOURNMENT:

Submitted by:

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Sedgwick County Clerk & Recorder

Approved: September 30, 2025

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SEDGWICK COUNTY, COLORADO

(seal)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald Berges, Chairman

Attest:

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Sedgwick County Clerk & Recorder