

SEDGWICK COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 27, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard McCormick with Donald Schneider, Ronald Berges and Christy Beckman present. Lori Ehmke, Eva Contreras, John Fryar, Darrin Tobin, Katie and Heather Foley joined the meeting.

Schneider moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Road 63.3, Michelle Kirk, Victoria Dunker lease, tire letter, communication center director, Hospital Board, SCOR and Economic Development meeting reports. Berges second, carried.

Schneider moved to approve the September 27, 2024 payables and payroll. Berges second, carried.

Berges moved to approve the September 17, 2024 minutes as amended. Scheider second, carried.

McCormick reported that Jim Dolezal is happy with the work on County Road 63.3 that is being done. McCormick also noted that they received another bid on grinding roads in the amount of \$250,000 if the county does all of the other work.

Berges reported on the Hospital Board meeting and praised the work being done to get the Community Change Grant worth approximately 20 million dollars. A new PA was hired and they assigned a new doctor. They are looking at revamping their physician schedules.

Schneider reported on the SCOR meeting and said they are working on their budget process and that they are lacking only \$7,300 from being self funded which means for now the rates will stay the same.

Schneider reported on the Economic Development meeting and said Rhonda Graham presented all of the grant updates. There was discussion on the tire facility and a possibility of a wind turbine blade recycler.

Schneider brought up discussion on the communication center and interim directors. The Board will talk to Michelle Kirk before making a decision.

The CHP annual structure was reviewed. Schneider moved to make no changes in the County Health Pool plan. Berges second, carried.

The Quarterly UPS report submitted by Michelle Kirk was reviewed.

Schneider moved to approve the Community Center Lease for Audra Miller. Berges second, carried.

Schneider told the Board he received a letter from Mark Molen concerning a possible support letter. The content was not clear so McCormick will contact Molen.

Bruce Gerk joined the meeting. Gerk relayed his and his Board's thoughts to the Commissioners on the Perkin's Canal project. LSPCD has hired a consultant in efforts to clarify their position. Gerk also suggested letting the guests at the wind meetings have more than the 3 minutes to speak. Gerk left the meeting.

It is now 8:53 and we will go into a work session.

It is now 9:38 and the meeting has reconvened.

Schneider moved to approve Lacy Coty and Michelle Kirk as co-interim supervisors during this transitional period until a new contract or new director is in place.

There will be a work session next week with Heather, the department heads and Liz from CIC to discuss the current payroll issues.

Schneider moved to adjourn the meeting. Berges second, carried.

Howard McCormick, Chairman

Christy M. Beckman, Clerk to the Board