

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2020, NINETY-SECOND MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS, Tuesday, December 1, 2020 10:00 AM

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to Kansas Statutes Annotated Chapter 19, Article 2, Section 18 in due and regular session with open doors.

Commissioner Tom Moody served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Bruce Blair and Jeremy Johnson were in attendance via Zoom.

County Clerk Don Pyle was seated with the Board.

Commissioner Moody led the pledge of allegiance.

**UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING  
CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion (20-474)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

- 1. Approval of the November 24, 2020 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.**

**SIGNING OF MOTIONS**

The County Clerk presented the following motions for Commissioners' signatures:

Motion 20	473	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the November 20, 2020 minutes
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**UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS  
PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD  
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS  
MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH**

**Item One:** Heath Department Director Janis Goedeke addressed the Commissioners. She stated that the testing sites have not started yet and that Pittsburg State University has been approved as a testing site. She updated the Commissioners on the mobile testing unit with results and percentages. She stated that there were 50 plus new cases yesterday and the Health Department is extremely busy and all the staff are not yet back due to

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isolations and quarantines. Ms. Goedeke informed the Commissioners that at the end of last week there were 275 cases in isolation with a 32% positivity rate and currently there are 347 cases in isolation and 1,735 individuals in quarantine. She also said there are 8 long term care facilities involved. She gave an update on K-12 on isolations and quarantines for staff and students. She explained that the school cases are down due to no school last week. She discussed law enforcement checking on facilities. Executive Director Michael Ehling gave an update on Ascension Via Christi and stated that they have 16 positive cases and 3 persons under investigation and he has no update on Girard Medical Center. Commissioner Blair discussed the information being made available to the businesses and the community on the county's expectations. Commissioner Moody stated that he had some calls about Wal-Mart yesterday. Commissioner Johnson discussed contact tracing and Ms. Goedeke gave an update on the tracing but stated she was concerned about what will happen with contact tracing when the testing sites get here. Ms. Goedeke discussed the contact tracer positions.

### **MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Commissioner Blair discussed getting the information out to the businesses on what is expected of them. Ms. Goedeke stated that the Health Department is working with the Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce and Crawford County Strong in getting the information to businesses. Commissioner Blair asked Ms. Goedeke what the Health Department's needs are for contact tracing and Ms. Goedeke stated that staffing is needed but that it is hard to get someone to agree to just a few months of employment. The Commissioners, Ms. Goedeke and Mr. Ehling discussed funding for hiring additional contact tracers. There was also a discussion of the COVID-19 vaccine.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle discussed budget overviews and 2020 budget amendments and he should have this information ready by Friday.

### **UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

**Item One: December 4, 2020 – 10:00 AM** Public Hearing on Vacating Platted Alleys.

**Item Two: December 8, 2020 – 1:00 PM** Fence Viewing located in Section 3, Township 29, Range 24. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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### MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [December 1, 2020](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:30 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed my official seal and submitted these minutes for the approval of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners.**

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**Don Pyle**  
County Clerk

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**This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.**

[Taken by BKW 12/1/2020 10:30 AM/ amended BKW 12/2/2020 1:00 PM](#)