

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2016, [FOURTEENTH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS [Tuesday, February 23, 2016, 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 Carl Wood and Jeff Murphy were in attendance. County Clerk Don Pyle and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board. Chairman Moody led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (16-074) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [February 19, 2016](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

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 16	71	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the February 16, 2016 minutes
Motion 16	72	To approve Temporary Right of Easement Tract No. 24 between Crawford County, Kansas and the City of Girard and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 16	73	To approve Lease Purchase Agreement between Arvest Bank and Crawford County, Kansas for a 2016 Ford Transit Wagon for the Appraiser's office in the amount of \$22,196.00 for 36 months at 1.85% interest and authorize the Chairman to sign

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

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PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Chris Weiner, Girard City Administrator and Mr. Brian Coomes from PEC Engineering discussing Temporary Right of Easement Tract No. 48 between Crawford County, Kansas and the City of Girard. Mr. Weiner presented the updated Temporary Right of Easement Tract No. 48. He stated the agreement now includes the language preventing the use of the courthouse lawn for staging of equipment and materials. Mr. Emerson stated he approved of the updated agreement.

On motion (16-075) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve updated Temporary Right of Easement Tract No. 48 between Crawford County, Kansas and the City of Girard and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Weiner presented a document explaining the funding of the Streetscape project. He explained the difference between the original plan and the updated plan that included the interior sidewalks. A discussion was held on the changes that included the interior sidewalks and the cost for the project. He stated that there was never a finalized discussion on the county's portion of the funding. Mr. Weiner said the local match right now would be \$30,000 for the interior portion of the sidewalk and the city would like the county to pay this match amount. He stated this is an estimate only. Mr. Pyle stated that he found a motion from a previous meeting dated April 3, 2015 which stated the Commission would pay \$20,000 for the project and authorized Tom Ragonese to present this offer to the City of Girard. Mr. Murphy felt this was a good project and he would like the sidewalks around the courthouse be included in the project. Mr. Moody asked about the county workers helping to lower cost. Mr. Brian Coomes from PEC stated that KDOT does not allow in kind work to count as part of the cash match. Mr. Pyle stated that Mr. Ragonese, previous Project Manager had included in the 2016 budget \$30,000 for the sidewalk project. Mr. Wood stated he will agree to contribute up to \$30,000 that was included in the budget but will not agree to pay anymore above that \$30,000. Mr. Murphy asked for an agreement that stating that County will contribute \$30,000. A discussion was held on the start date and process for bidding on the project.

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle stated that the City of Pittsburg would like a representative from the county to serve on their Land Bank Board. Mr. Murphy felt it would good to put Mike Plank, Zoning Administrator on the board and the other Commissioners agreed.

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On motion (16-076) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to appoint Mike Plank, Zoning Administrator to the Pittsburg Land Bank Board.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson presenting a Notice of Intent to Vacate a platted unnamed alley in the Original Town of Chicopee, Crawford County, Kansas. Mr. Emerson showed the Commissioners where the proposed alley is located which is adjacent to and south of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 and north of Lots 29 and 30 all in Block 9, in the Original Town of Chicopee, Crawford County, Kansas according to the recorded plat thereof.

On motion (16-077) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve the publication of the Notice of Intent to Vacate Platted unnamed alley in the Original Town of Chicopee, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Murphy asked about a road sales tax. He stated that some of the roads in the county really need an overlay and the county does not have the funds to do a lengthy overlay. Mr. Emerson stated it would have to be done by a countywide election. Mr. Murphy asked Mr. Pyle to calculate the amount a ¼ percent increase in sales tax would raise in funds. Mr. Emerson stated that the county did have a temporary sales tax increase for the jail and the detention center in the past.

Item Four: Mr. Murphy questioned the Regional Planning Commission making a presentation to use on what grants are available. Mr. Wood stated he will attend the next meeting of the Regional Planning Commission in March and report back to the Commissioners.

Item Five: Mr. Murphy stated that he spoke to John Chalfant with Gallagher Benefit Services and about health insurance and what savings are taking place. Mr. Murphy discussed the savings the City of Pittsburg is incurring on health insurance and would like a meeting with the City of Pittsburg and John Chalfant.

Item Six: Mr. Wood asked about Occupational Health and would like another meeting when Mr. Emerson gets everything prepared.

Item Seven: Mr. Wood stated that will be meeting with the salesman on the tractors in the next couple of days and he will report to the Commission on Friday.

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Item Eight: Mr. Moody asked about sharing asphalt with the City of Pittsburg and Mr. Wood stated that Randy Chiartano met with them about a week ago and they are working on it.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated he has received 2 more applications for the Economic Development Committee and the Commission stated they want to keep accepting applications until the deadline date of March 1.

Item Two: Mr. Wood stated he would take the plans for the Freeto building to Rebecca Keller. A discussion was held on what to include in the plans. A discussion was held on other buildings in the county and to have plans done on those also.

Item Three: Mr. Murphy asked about the \$100,000 set aside for the Farlington Lake Road. A discussion was held on the condition of the road and what the money could be used for.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: February 26, 2016 – 8:30 AM Work Session to sign bills and payroll vouchers for February 2016.

Item Two: February 26, 2016 – Opening of culvert bids.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [February 23, 2016](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:08 [AM](#) and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

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.

Don Pyle
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken by BKW 2/23/16 11:08 AM/amended BKW 02/25/2016 11:12 AM](#)