

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners’ Journal

2022, EIGHTEENTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS’ BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, Friday, March 11, 2022, 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.

Deputy County Clerk Bobbi Wicker 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 (22-095) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **March 8, 2022** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week’s vouchers.

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 22	92	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the March 4, 2022 minutes
Motion 22	93	To approve the Kansas Department of Health & Environment Aid to Local Grants Application and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 22	94	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 10:45 AM

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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

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Tim Gintner, Chairman Crawford County Rural Water District #1 addressed the Commissioners in reference to an ARPA fund request. Mr. Gintner stated that he has been the Chairman of this district for over 50 years. He gave background information on the district. He stated that there are 221 actual residents of the district at this time. Mr. Gintner said that the district would like to see if they qualify for grant funds. He explained the reasons the district is requesting funds and what the funds will be used for and presented information on these projects. Mr. Gintner introduced the district treasurer, Mr. Jim McLendon. Commissioner Moody asked if there is a project that is the most urgent and Mr. Gintner explained the most needed request. Mr. Emerson explained the next step in requesting funds and the time frame that the funds need to be used by. Mr. Moody stated that the requests will be turned over to Mr. Mike Bodensteiner for the next step.

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson presented a letter from Ms. Angie Hadley Director of the Restorative Justice Authority requesting that Ms. Reina Probert be appointed to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board (JACB) as the Prosecution representative for Crawford County. He stated that Ms. Probert will be replacing Ms. Sarah Mills on the board and the appointment will take effect immediately.

On motion (22-096) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the appointment of Ms. Reina Probert to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board (JACB) as the prosecution representative for Crawford County and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated that Mr. Wally Wilson, Ryan Insurance, would like to meet with the Commissioners to discuss a cyber insurance proposal. He stated that he would like to schedule a work session with representatives from Nextera Energy on March 22nd, 2022 at 9:00 AM and a work session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner from Greenbush on March 25th, 2022 at 9:00 AM to discuss child care. The Commissioners agreed on the work sessions.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-097) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the Noxious Weed Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Noxious Weed Director Tommy Scales and to reconvene by 10:28 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:13 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:28 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

NEW BUSINESS continued

Item Three: Mr. Emerson presented the 2022 Noxious Weed Management Plan, the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report 2021 and the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report 2022.

On motion (22-098) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the 2022 Noxious Weed Management Plan, the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report 2021 and the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report 2022.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (22-099) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss the old landfill lease and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:41 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

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Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:26 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:34 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

NEW BUSINESS continued

Item Four: Mr. Emerson presented a Renewal of Lease Agreement between Crawford County, Kansas and Terlip Investments LP for the old landfill for a term of 5 years terminating on August 31, 2027 at the rate of \$500.00 per year. Mr. Emerson explained that when the landfill was closed some of the property was sold and the rest of the property is currently being worked on to be brought up to KDHE standards and explained that the 5-year time limit should be sufficient to do this.

On motion (22-100) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the Renewal of Lease Agreement between Crawford County, Kansas and Terlip Investments LP for the old landfill property for a term of 5 years and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

Item Three: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-101) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Johnson to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:55 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:35 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:55 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

NEW BUSINESS continued

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Item Five: Commissioner Blair discussed getting a tanker truck to be able to do dust control in house.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item One: Commissioner Johnson discussed the guidelines on the infrastructure money from the federal government. He will speak with County Grant Writer Gus Brunetti about this issue.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: March 22, 2022 – 9:00 AM Work Session with representatives from Nextera Energy.

Item Two: March 25, 2022 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner, Greenbush to discuss child care.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: March 15 & March 18, 2022 – The Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners is cancelled due to lack of quorum as the Commissioners will be out of town.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [March 11, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:03 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.

Bobbi Wicker

Deputy County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken by BKW 3/11/2022 11:03 AM/amended BKW 3/17/2022 9:00 AM