

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2016, SEVENTEENTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS Friday, March 4, 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 (16-081) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

- 1. Approval of the March 1, 2016 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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:

Table with 3 columns: Motion 16, 80, That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the February 26, 2016 minutes

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS
CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Ms. Liz Hart, Road and Bridge Coordinator with recommendations on culvert bids. Ms. Hart handed out her recommended bid for the aluminized culverts from

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Welborn Sales, Inc. and her recommend bid for the plastic culverts from Conmat. She stated that both were the lowest bids. She also stated that this is the first time we bid out in sections. Mr. Wood asked if we have to purchase all 30 pieces that were bid and Ms. Hart stated that we get the lower prices for purchasing in bulk. There was a discussion about the end pieces and other options other than purchasing the end pieces. Ms. Hart stated that the county has a good enough relationship with both of these companies that they would allow us to remove the end pieces from the bids. The Commissioners decided to approve the recommended bids and remove the end pieces from the bid.

On motion (16-082) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve culvert bids from Welborn Sales Inc for the aluminized culverts and Conmat for the plastic culverts as recommended by Road and Bridge Coordinator Liz Hart.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Chris Weiner presenting Joint Resolution 2016-1 between the City of Girard, Kansas and Crawford County, Kansas on the Girard Downtown Streetscape Project. Mr. Weiner explained that the resolution states that the county will contribute an amount not to exceed \$30,000 or actual costs if project comes in at a cost below the \$30,000. Mr. Wood was answered that the project is moving along well and the City has acquired all the temporary easements needed and will be ready to let out for bid in May or June. Mr. Emerson stated he has reviewed the resolution and approves of it.

On motion (16-083) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to accept City of Girard Joint Resolution 2016-1 with City of Girard and Crawford County on the Girard Streetscape Project and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Murphy stated the Girard City Public Works Director asked about the county helping the city in paving 9 blocks of streets in Girard. Mr. Weiner said that a lot of streets in Girard need addressed and the City does not have the equipment to lay the asphalt and would like the county to assist. There was a discussion on what the county has done in the past helping the cities and what types of material the city has under the pavement.

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

NEW BUSINESS

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Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle presenting a Tax Roll Correction, correcting an error in the assessing of personal property owned by Pike's Fertilizer and to request a refund in the amount of \$155.24 and to abate this amount from the 2014 tax rolls. Mr. Pyle stated that the 2000 Dodge Ram 2500 was changed from heavy to regular tag on 2/24/14 and was being double assessed for 10 months in 2014.

On motion (16-084) of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the Tax Roll Correction, correcting an error in the assessing of personal property owned by Pike's Fertilizer and to request a refund in the amount of \$155.24 and to abate this amount from the 2014 tax rolls and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Pyle presented an Agreement of Services from Class LTD asking for an amount that is budgeted to be contributed to Class LTD for the 2016 year. Mr. Pyle stated that the amount is \$52,239. Mr. Pyle explained that Class LTD submits this agreement to the state to show that the organization has local support. Mr. Pyle explained that the budgeted amount for Class LTD is lower than the previous years because the funds were divided between Class LTD, New Hope, Mosaic and SKIL for 2016. Mr. Wood was answered that these funds are distribute as tax dollars are collected and Mr. Pyle explained that the organizations are aware that the amount distributed may vary depending upon the amount of tax dollars collected.

On motion (16-085) of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the Agreement of Services between Board of County Commissioners of Crawford County Kansas and Class LTD.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Pyle stated that he received a letter stating that the term of office for the non-lawyer member of the Eleventh District Judicial Nominating Commission currently held by John Lehman will expire the first Monday in March 2016. He said that by state statue, the Board of County Commissioners needs to appoint an individual to fill the position. Mr. Pyle stated that he contacted Mr. Lehman and he would be willing to serve another term on the Commission. He said that this term will run from March 7, 2016 to March 2, 2020.

On motion (16-086) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to reappoint John Lehman as the Non-lawyer Member of the Eleventh District Judicial Nominating Commission with the term running from March 7, 2016 to March 2, 2020.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

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Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Four: Mr. Emerson stated that Mike Plank, Zoning Administrator, requested a county credit card through Girard National Bank with a credit limit of \$2,500.

On motion (16-087) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve a county credit card through Girard National Bank with a credit limit of \$2,500 for Zoning Administrator Mike Plank.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Five: Mr. Emerson stated he met with the Homer Cole Center Board and SEK Area Agency on Aging about trying to work out Meals on Wheels issues. Mr. Emerson stated that Senior Services had been paying for a lot of the services and insurance and since they are no longer involved in Southeast Kansas, those costs are being paid for by the two agencies. Mr. Emerson stated that he and an area insurance agent are helping them get everything straightened out with insurance. Mr. Emerson stated that the county is the actual owner of the building but the original lease that the county signed in 1992 states that the insurance for the structure and liability insurance are the responsibility of SEK Area Agency on Aging. He will be having another meeting in a couple of weeks with these agencies to work on these issues.

Item Six: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for a period of not more than 1 hour to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations with the three Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Pittsburg City Manager Daron Hall and Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce President Blake Benson.

On motion (16-088) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 1 hour to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations with the 3 Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Pittsburg City Administrator Daron Hall and Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce President Blake Benson.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:30 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:58 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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Item Seven: Mr. Wood stated that he had some individuals requesting that the County put a street sign on 100th street for the late Dr. Huebner. He stated that this area is in Commissioner Murphy's district. Mr. Murphy stated that he is not for putting signs of that nature on public right of ways and that the family of Dr. Huebner needs to be contacted and ask their opinion on this. Mr. Wood explained that there would not be any addressing changes; the individuals just wanted a sign up out of respect for the late doctor. Mr. Wood stated he would have these people either contact Mr. Murphy or come to a commission meeting.

Item Eight: Mr. Wood stated that he would like to order flashlights for the road and bridge crews. Mr. Murphy stated that his foreman stated they already had flashlights. Mr. Wood stated he will order flashlights for his crew and for Commissioner Moody's crew.

Item Nine: Mr. Wood stated that he and Jim Emerson attended a meeting with Occupation Health and discussed the questions that came up during that meeting. Mr. Wood and Mr. Emerson explained the services. Mr. Wood would like Mr. Emerson to create a summary and at some point have this added to the Employee Handbook. Mr. Emerson stated he is working on the summary.

Item Ten: Mr. Wood asked Mr. Pyle about driver's licenses for county employees driving the county vehicles. Mr. Pyle explained that Charli Stroud in the Fiscal Office has a list of all drivers and their license numbers for each department in the county. He stated that this information is updated yearly and given to Ryan insurance. Mr. Pyle stated that Ryan Insurance submits this information to EMC and EMC runs MVR reports. He stated the county does not get the reports but are contacted if EMC feels we need to be aware of any situations on the reports.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle requesting approval of the February 2016 Clerk's Report. Mr. Pyle explained the differences between the January 2016 and February 2016 reports in the different funds. There was a discussion on the changes in expenditures in each fund.

Mr. Wood addressed Sewer District #2, West 4th Street. He stated the funds are short \$20,000 from the amount we are collecting from the taxpayers in that district. Mr. Wood stated that there may be a problem with the flow meter. Mr. Emerson stated there should be small fluctuations but these costs have spiked in the last few months. Mr. Murphy stated that the costs spike in the wet months of the year. Mr. Wood said there is a problem and he is working on it.

On motion (16-089) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the February 2016 Clerk's Report as presented.

On a Roll Call Vote.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

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The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Pyle stated he sent the Commissioners some emails on different things coming up. Mr. Pyle discussed the items with the Commissioners.

Item Three: Commissioner Murphy presented a copy of an email he is sending to the Economic Development Committee. He wanted the other Commissioners to approve of the email before he sent it out to the Committee members.

Item Four: Mr. Wood wanted to schedule a work session on Tuesday, March 8 at 9:00 AM with EMS Director Randy Sandberg and EMS Advisor Dr. Tim Stebbins.

Item Five: Mr. Wood stated that all three Commissioners may be in attendance at the First Friday Legislative Briefing today at 4:00 PM at the Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce Board Room.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Item One: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters with attorney client privilege with the 3 Commissioner and County Counselor Jim Emerson

On motion (16-090) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:33 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:42 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters with attorney client privilege with the 3 Commissioner and County Counselor Jim Emerson

On motion (16-091) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

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Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:43 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:49 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: March 8, 2016 – 9:00 AM Work Session with EMS Director Randy Sandberg and EMS Advisor Dr. Tim Stebbins.

Item Two: March 8, 2016 – Friends of Crawford State Park regarding a storm shelter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: March 4, 2016 – 4:00 PM First Friday Legislative Briefing at the Chamber of Commerce Board Room. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

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 [March 4, 2016](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:55 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.

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