

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, **SIXTEENTH** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, **Friday, March 4, 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.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker 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 (22-088) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **March 1, 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	82	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the February 25, 2022 minutes
Motion 22	83	To approve to approve the ARPA application for funding from Crawford County Rural Water District #4 in the amount of \$75,000 for pipe replacement
Motion 22	84	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

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		Health Department and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:50 AM
Motion 22	85	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss Road & Bridge Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:10 AM
Motion 22	86	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the Fiscal Clerk's under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Clerk Lisa Lusker and to reconvene by 11:27 AM
Motion 22	87	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss early retirement under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:25 AM

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 APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker presented the February 2022 Clerk's Report. She stated that this report summarizes the total amounts spent by departments for payroll and bills during the month of February. Ms. Lusker also gave the Commissioners a copy of the January 2022 to February 2022 Clerk's Report of Changes in Expenditures for comparison. She reviewed the changes with the Commissioners and discussed some of the reasons for the changes in expenditures.

On motion (22-089) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the February 2022 Clerk's Report as presented.

On a Roll Call Vote.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker discussed the SEK Officials meeting which is being hosted by Anderson County and will be held at the Anderson County High School in Garnett, KS on Thursday, March 17, 2022. The Commissioners stated that they will be unable to attend. County Counselor Jim Emerson stated that he should be able to attend.

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Item Three: Mr. Emerson addressed ARPA funding for the City of Arcadia. He handed out a breakdown of the requested funds from the City of Arcadia. He stated that County Grant Writer Gus Brunetti has been working with Arcadia City Clerk Linda Morris on the requested funds and is going to work with her in the future on possibly obtaining CDBG funds for some of the infrastructure repairs. Mr. Emerson explained that the City of Arcadia qualifies for \$75,000 based on the formula used for other cities by population.

On motion (22-090) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the ARPA application for funding the City of Arcadia in the amount of \$75,000 for infrastructure repairs.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Four: Commissioner Moody stated that he had been contacted by Phyllis Bitner representing Miners Hall Museum requesting a letter of support from the Commissioners for a grant to move the Page 618 Walking Dragline to the museum.

On motion (22-091) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve a letter of support for the Miners Hall Museum for a grant to move the Page 618 Walking Dragline to the museum 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 Five: Mr. Emerson gave an update on the repairs and work being done to the new storage building located at 203 S Ozark, Girard.

Item Six: Mr. Emerson stated that he was contacted by Mr. Michael Ehling requesting a work session with the Commissioners, the area school superintendents and the health officials on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 12:00 noon. The Commissioners agreed.

Item Seven: Commissioner Blair discussed closing out the Windfarm Project and making sure all the road issues have been addressed before the closing of the project.

Item Eight: Commissioner Blair discussed changing some intersections and 4 way stops and will check with the Sheriff's office about this issue.

Item Nine: Commissioner Johnson discussed the Free King Highway projects and other projects and the infrastructure money coming in. He stated that it might be best to have a planning meeting, and to also speak with the City of Pittsburg on this issue.

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Item Ten: The Commissioners discussed have a City/County meeting/luncheon with the local city officials. Commissioner Moody stated that he was contacted by the Mayor of Mulberry and the city may be willing to host the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item One: Ms. Lusker gave a brief update on the job description project.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker stated that she will be out of the office next week attending the Sanborn University for County Clerk Training.

Item Three: Commissioner Johnson addressed the Chicopee property. Commissioner Blair stated that weathering permitting the project should be done this weekend. The Commissioners also discussed the nuisance property on 69 Hwy around Franklin.

Item Four: Commissioner Johnson addressed the next Crawford County Tax Sale. Mr. Emerson gave an update on the status of the next sale and also on future tax sales.

Item Five: Commissioner Moody stated that he toured the Freeto Building yesterday and the work is progressing very well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: March 8, 2022 – Ms. Teddi Van Kam, County Health Director presenting Aid to Local Grants.

Item Two: March 8, 2002 – 12:00 Noon Work Session with the County Health Officials, area school superintendents and the County Commissioners.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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 4, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:26 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.

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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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk



This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken by BKW 3/04/2022 10:26 AM/amended BKW 3/4/2022 2:30 PM