

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2016, TWENTY-NINTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS Friday, April 15, 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 (16-128) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the April 12, 2016 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 564366 to 564620 dated April 15, 2016 in the total amount of \$215,896.08, and
3. 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:

Motion 16	118	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the April 8, 2016 minutes
Motion 16	119	To waive the \$1,000 month rent paid to Crawford County by Community Corrections for one fiscal year period beginning July 1, 2016 and revisit the issue in one year
Motion 16	120	To approve the bid from Design Mechanical for the installation of the boiler system as recommended by Project Manager Robert Gorentz

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Motion 16	121	To approve the proclamation proclaiming Tuesday, April 19, 2016 as Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Pittsburg Lodge #412 Day in Crawford County, Kansas
Motion 16	122	To approve contact for auditing services with Deihl Banwart Bolton for the audit year ending December 31, 2015 and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 16	123	To approve the Kansas Housing Resource Corporation Emergency Solutions Grant Recipient Request for Reimbursement and Financial Status Report in the amount of \$6,375.53 and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 16	124	To approve Federal Aid Fund Exchange Master Agreement between Michael S King, Secretary of Transportation, Kansas Department of Transportation and Crawford County, Kansas
Motion 16	125	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Road and Bridge Coordinator Liz Hart and Project Manager Robert Gorentz
Motion 16	126	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Sheriff Dan Peak
Motion 16	127	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, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Shop Foreman Greg Hite

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Discussion with area State Legislators. Representative Adam Lusker addressed the Commissioners. He stated that they wrapped up the session at the end of March and now there is a month off and a perfect time to inform the Commissioners as to what has been taking place. Mr. Lusker stated that a budget has been passed and now it is at the hands of the governor. A discussion was held on the school finance bill and the budget cuts for Technical Education and about the tuition and the Board of Regents. Mr. Lusker stated that there is a revenue problem in the State of Kansas and what is needed is to find a way to increase revenue because the basic needs of our communities is not being met. He informed the Commissioners on the progress of the casino, dog track and discussed some amendments to hunting, fishing and trapping. Mr. Lusker discussed agricultural issues and about the milling industry. He also discussed mental health issues in Crawford County and the shortage of sources available. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Lusker.

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Representative Chuck Smith spoke to the Commissioners. He spoke on budget issues, mental health issues and issues with LLC's and income taxes. He stated he believes that the American Royal is coming to Kansas and it will bring in thousands of jobs and a tremendous amount of industry Mr. Smith addressed the mental health issues and stated that we need to train teachers and well as fellow students and family members to recognize the problems. He thanked the Commissioners for all their hard work in Crawford County.

Senator Jake Laturner addressed the Commissioners. Mr. LaTurner and the commissioners had a lengthy discussion on the casino. He also spoke about the property tax lid. He discussed property taxes on agricultural land. The Commissioners thanked Mr. LaTurner for coming.

Mr. Rick Pfeiffer addressed some of the mental health issues in Crawford County.

Mr. Ed Fields spoke about a Noxious Weeds bill in the legislature.

The Commissioner took a 5 minute recess and came back into regular session at 11:30 AM.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle informed the Commissioners that he sent emails out about upcoming workshops that might be of their interest.

Item Two: Mr. Murphy stated that he went to the meeting at ATC and said it went very well. He stated that he feels that Girard Medical Center needs to engage and to help out. He also stated that the state needs to help but he doesn't know if there are any resources available at the State level.

Item Three: Mr. Murphy stated that John Chalfant from the Gallagher group sent him an email and wanted to make sure the county wants to shop around and look at other companies for health insurance before he pursues this. The Commissioners decided to set up a conference call with Mr. Chalfant to discuss this.

Item Four: Mr. Wood discussed a new facility in the City of Frontenac and tax relief for that facility. He stated that Dr. Sullivan and his wife would like to build a new clinic in the City of Frontenac. Mr. Wood stated that he, Jim Emerson and Mr. Moody have had meetings with the City and the City of Frontenac is not willing to give a tax rebate. There was a discussion on how the County can give a tax rebate on just the County portion of the taxes for this facility and how this can take place. Mr. Moody stated that he lives in Frontenac and he feels that the clinic will be a big benefit to the city and several citizens of Frontenac that he has spoken to feel the same. Mr. Wood stated that he will bring this up again Tuesday. Mr. Emerson stated he has been involved with economic development and has been given a few ideas on how this can be accomplished.

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Item Five: Mr. Wood informed the Commissioners that the county did not win the bid on the dump truck on Purple Wave.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Moody stated that he spoke to Mary Kay Caldwell from the Humane Society about a donation. He would like to have their administrator come to a meeting to discuss the donation.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson addressed some issues on the skills testing through Via Christi Occupational Health. The Commissioners decided to leave it up to the discretion of the Elected Officials and Department Heads.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: April 19, 2016 – Work Session with Mike Gayoso at 9:30 AM.

Item Two: April 19, 2016 – Mr. Mac Young, Community Corrections Administrative Director presenting Community Corrections Fiscal Year 2017 Comprehensive Plan.

Item Three: April 19, 2016 – Mr. Brad Coots, Advisor and Caleb Thompson & Bryson Spahn, students from Southeast High School USD 247 Technology Student Association requesting donation for expenses to the National Championship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: April 19, 2016 – Elk's Student Government Day.

Item Two: April 19, 2016 – 12 Noon & 6:00 PM meetings to discuss alcohol and drug services in Crawford County at Mental Health, 30th & Michigan, Pittsburg.

Item Three: April 21, 2016 – 2016 Annual Meeting of the County Commissioners & Highway Officials Association of Southeast at the KDOT Office Complex, South Building in Chanute. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

Mr. Wood announced that he and Mr. Moody will both be attending a Democratic Fundraiser tonight at Meadowlark Elementary School in Pittsburg.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to adjourn the [April 15, 2016](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:52 [AM](#) and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Murphy, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

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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 4/15/16 11:52 AM/amended BKW 4/18/16 3:00 PM