

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2014, [SIXTY-SECOND](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS **Friday, August 29, 2014, 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 Bob Kmiec served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Carl Wood were in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Kmiec led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (14-217) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **August 26, 2014** minutes of the Board of Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Kmiec and Wood

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 14	213	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the August 22, 2014 minutes
Motion 14	214	To approve the Publish Notice of Intent to Vacate platted unnamed streets and alleys in South Radley with a public hearing to be held Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 10:00 AM
Motion 14	215	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 minutes to discuss matters involving Attorney-Client Privilege and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Clerk Don Pyle and County Counselor Jim Emerson

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Motion 14	216	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters involving Attorney-Client Privilege and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson
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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS FOR CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

Item One: Mr. Ray Ryan, Ryan Insurance, regarding the dividend from EMC Insurance and the Kansas County Safety Dividend Group. Mr. Ryan read a letter from EMC Insurance that detailed the total dividend for the group and that this group has had a very good year. Mr. Ryan discussed that EMC insures 32 counties in Kansas as well as a large number of cities, water districts and other public entities. Mr. Ryan stated that EMC insures more public entities in Kansas than any other insurance carrier. Mr. Ryan presented the commissioners with a check in the amount of \$97,565.23 which is Crawford County's share of the total dividend of \$1,517,362. Mr. Ryan also stated that the county's MOD factor will drop from its current level of 1.25 to .91 for next year which will mean that the premium that the county pays for Workmen's Comp coverage next year will be much lower than it has been for several years. The Commissioners were thankful for the dividend check and for all the work done by Mr. Ryan and the rest of his staff that has benefited Crawford County.

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August, 2014

CRAWFORD COUNTY
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Re: Dividend Check

We are very pleased to announce that our Kansas County Safety Dividend Group has returned to profitability. The 32 Kansas counties that EMC insures enjoys not only a customized property/casualty insurance program tailored to their needs but also value added programs including loss control, attorney direct and local claims handling.

For the period of August 2013 to August 2014 each member will share the developed dividend of \$1,517,362. Each member's dividend is calculated based upon not individual losses but on group experience as a whole. Dividend amounts for each member reflect their percentage of earned premium to the group's premium.

A check in the amount of \$97,565.23 for 6.44% of the 2013-2014 Dividend is attached to this letter.

Thank you for helping EMC be a success in our Kansas County Safety Dividend Program.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Guse'".

Robert Guse', CPCU
Underwriting Manager
316-352-5758

Enclosure

P.O. Box 1739 | Wichita, KS 67201-1739 | 316.352.5700 | F 888.992.7440 | www.emcins.com

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EMC Property & Casualty Company

Union Insurance Company of Providence
Hamilton Mutual Insurance Company
EMC Risk Services, LLC

EMC Underwriters, LLC
EMC National Life Company (affiliate)

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Accounts Payable

From: Employers Mutual Casualty Company
717 MULBERRY Phone: (515) 345-2926
DES MOINES IA 50309-3872 Email: Accounting.AccountsPayable@EMCIns.com

To: COUNTY TREASURER FOR THE
BENEFIT OF CRAWFORD COUNTY
PO BOX 249
GIRARD, KS 66743-0249
USA

Check Number: 721448
Request Number: 100051979

Check Routing Note:

Invoice Description	Inv Number	Inv Amount
DDS - 0X42965 20140801 - SG00071		97,565.23

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EMC Insurance Companies P.O. Box 712 Des Moines, IA 50306	Des Moines Employers Mutual Casualty Company EMCASCO Insurance Company EMC Property & Casualty Company Illinois EMCASCO Insurance Company Union Insurance Company of Providence Hannaford Mutual Insurance Company Bismarck Dakota Fire Insurance Company	DATE 08/20/2014 721448	96-1901 1012
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PAY TO THE ORDER OF COUNTY TREASURER FOR THE BENEFIT OF CRAWFORD COUNTY PO BOX 249 GIRARD, KS 66743-0249

VOID AFTER 180 DAYS

\$\$\$97,565.23

VOID AFTER 180 DAYS

THE SUM Ninety Seven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Five Dollars and 23 Cents

UMB BANK, N.A.
ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI 64507

Bruce S. Kelley
Carla A. Prather

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MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIAL
MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS
MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD
NEW BUSINESS:

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle regarding information on an upcoming meeting that KDOT will host in Baxter Springs in regards to future improvements on US Highway 400. The Commissioners all had received information on that meeting.

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Don Pyle

From: KDOT c/o Vireo [lindsay@bevireo.ccsend.com] on behalf of KDOT c/o Vireo [triveece@bevireo.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 2:04 PM
To: countyclerk@ckt.net
Subject: ADV: Public Open House for US-400 Advanced Preliminary Engineering Study is September 11



Help Us Plan the Next Phase of US-400 Improvements



Public Open House

When
Thursday, September 11, 2014
5 to 7 p.m.

Where
Baxter Springs
Community Building
1101 East Avenue
Baxter Springs, Kansas

US-400 Advanced Preliminary Engineering Study

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is kicking off the latest step in the effort to improve US-400 in Cherokee County! The planning process begins with a public open house for the *US-400 Advanced Preliminary Engineering Study* on September 11, 2014 at the Baxter Springs Community Building from 5 to 7 p.m. The purpose of the study is to plan an alignment that expands US-400 in Cherokee County as a roadway similar to US-69 north of Fort Scott, Kansas in the future.

Join us at the open house or online at www.US400feedback.com and help KDOT plan the next phase of US-400 improvements.

Tell Us What You Think

Detailed project exhibits will be on display showing the US-400 study area, which extends from the Crawford-Cherokee County Line on the north to the US-400/US-166 junction east of Baxter Springs on the south. KDOT and the consultant team will be present to answer questions and discuss issues or concerns. They will be seeking feedback from you about environmental issues, economic development, potential community impacts, and general concerns. No formal presentations will be given, so

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Join us online through
November 30th

US400feedback.com



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stop by anytime.

If you're unable to attend, share your comments 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at www.US400feedback.com now through November 30, 2014.

Note:

This information is available in alternative accessible formats. To obtain an alternative format, contact KDOT Transportation Information, Eisenhower Building, 700 SW Harrison, 2nd Floor West, Topeka, Kan., 66603-3754, or (785) 296-3585 (Voice)/Hearing Impaired - 711.



KDOT Project No. 400-11 KA-1005-03

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Item Two: Commissioner Wood wished to discuss the meeting the previous day with representatives of Downstream Casino and the Ruffin Group that are hoping to locate a casino in Crawford County. Mr. Wood wanted to be sure that all other groups understand that Crawford County will support any and all efforts to locate a casino anywhere in Crawford County. The other Commissioners agreed but they also want to set up a meeting with Downstream representatives, local legislators and county officials to help to get a clear picture of the plans for the casino development and how local officials can help in the planning and selection process. The Commissioners asked the County Clerk to try to set this meeting up for September 12, 2014.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Kmiec stated that he had reviewed some maintenance issues with his foreman this morning and they had discussed the erection of the materials for the storage shed. The Commissioners discussed that this structure needs to be set up and that Tom Ragonese could oversee the setup and he could work with a few Road & Bridge employees to get the work completed. The Commissioners also discussed that the county needs to look at ordering road salt soon as well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: September 9, 2014 – Judy Freeman, Zoning Administrator, presenting 2 rezonings and short plats.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: September 1, 2014 – The Crawford County Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

Item Two: September 2, 2014 – The Commission meeting is cancelled.

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 [August 29, 2014](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:35 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Kmiec and Wood

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 DPP on 08/29/2014 at 10:35 AM, Amended by DPP on 08/29/2014 at 2:31 PM/amended BKW 09/04/2014 11:09 AM