

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2015, [NINETY-FIRST MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS [Friday, December 11, 2015, 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 Carl Wood served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Jeff Murphy were in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle was seated with the Board.

Chairman Wood led the pledge of allegiance.

### **UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion (15-363)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [December 8, 2015](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy 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 15	358	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the December 4, 2015 minutes
Motion 15	359	To make it known that the board thereby issues a license to "sell at retail", cereal malt beverages from the place of business as shown in the application 2016 Cereal Malt Beverage license Applicant: Pete's of Erie "Petes 1" Premises: 1100 W Hwy 400, McCune, KS 66735 (for sale in original and unopened containers and not for consumption on the premises
Motion 15	360	To approve the Tax Roll Correction for American Concrete Company for 2014 in the amount of \$84.76 and for 2015 in the amount of \$238.20 and Authorize the Chairman to Sign.

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Motion 15	361	To approve the Publication for the Amended Budget for 2015 for Crawford County with a Hearing Date of December 22, 2015.
Motion 15	362	To approve the Publication for the Amended Budgets for 2015 for Crawford County Fire District Number 1 and Fire District Number 2 with a Hearing Date of December 22, 2015.

### **UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS**

#### **CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

#### **MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC**

**Item One:** Mr. Daryl Zimmerman with Running Foxes Petroleum in regards to obtaining permission to perform seismic testing for oil and gas deposits. Mr. Zimmerman stated that this has been done in a few other counties and that his firm had failed to contact the county for permission to perform this testing in the road right of way. Commissioner Murphy stated that he had received a complaint from a landowner that had not agreed to have this done on their property and he was disappointed that the county had not been contacted about the tests being done in the roadway. Mr. Zimmerman stated that the testing does not harm the property in any way and they perform these tests in the roadway so that they get a complete picture of the structure under the ground so that they know where the edges of deposits are. It was discussed that if there are areas that look good to the geologists then they will try to secure additional permission from the landowner to drill exploratory wells and possibly start oil production. Mr. Zimmerman stated that with the state requires setbacks for drilling from property lines and the type of oil that is present in SEK will not flow over 30 feet or so to where a well has been drilled. There was a discussion of the permission that is required for this testing to be performed and that most counties charge \$100 to \$200 for a permit and that the county would also be paid for the number of seismic acres that are tested. Mr. Zimmerman gave the Commissioners a copy of their standard contract for exploration and a card with his contact information. The Commissioners wanted County Counselor Jim Emerson to review the agreement before they speak about this again.

#### **MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**

#### **MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

#### **MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS**

#### **PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle regarding the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas contract for 2016. Mr. Pyle stated that the Commissioners had already approved the contract for 2016 in a previous meeting and that it now needs to be signed.

**Item Two:** County Clerk Don Pyle regarding funding for the Recycling Center. Mr. Pyle stated that Dr. Triplett had sent an income statement for the recycling center for 2015 and the report was discussed. Mr. Pyle stated that the landfill budget inside the General Fund still had over \$19,000 of their budget remaining for 2015. There was a discussion of the finances for the recycling center and it was decided to ask Dr. Triplett and officials from the City of Pittsburg to come over and discuss this topic.

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**Item Three:** County Clerk Don Pyle regarding some research that he had done on the new equipment and software that the EMS was purchasing. Mr. Pyle stated that he looked up the purchase of software that would allow EMS and Fire Departments to be able to communicate with the 911 center via laptops and tablets and information from all of the sources would be merged together. Commissioner Wood felt that there was another time when laptops and tablets were being purchased. EMS Director Joey Adams was going to check with the Sheriff about this also.

**Item Four:** Commissioner Murphy mentioned that he would like to discuss the quality of the rock being purchased by the county with representatives of the rock vendors. It was discussed that representatives of all the vendors should be in attendance at the opening of the rock bids and Dennis Meier of Triad Environmental Services should also be there.

**Item Five:** Commissioner Wood regarding the safety meeting that was held recently and that there was very good attendance. The Commissioners all felt that these meetings help the crew members to discuss safety issues with the equipment and get them fixed. There was a good discussion of the crews working together to be more efficient.

### UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle mentioned that the courthouse will be closed all day on December 25 and January 1 and at 10:00 AM on December 31 for the annual cash audit. The Commissioners discussed about any other days that the courthouse might need to be closed. They decided to close the courthouse at noon on Christmas Eve.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Murphy wanted to discuss the proposed changes to the personnel policy. The Commissioners decided to schedule a work session for 9:00 AM on December 18, 2015.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Murphy wanted to discuss the proposal for a countywide economic development initiative. Mr. Murphy asked if the Commissioners wanted to go ahead and put the notice in the newspaper. It was decided to put the notice in the Morning Sun on Wednesday and Sunday and in the Girard Home Town News once.

**Item Four:** Commissioner Moody regarding the status of installing monitors in the commission meeting room. It was discussed that the IT Dept. is doing more research on this subject and they will come back with some recommendations.

**Item Five:** Commissioner Wood mentioned that he is pursuing some leads on used belly dump trucks and the Commissioners discussed some other equipment issues.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Item One:** Commissioner Murphy requested an executive session to discuss personnel issues that involve non-elected personnel.

**On motion (15-364)** of Commissioner Murphy 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 5 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners.

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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 11:06 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:11 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

### **UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

**Item One: December 15, 2015** - Janice Goedeke, Martha Murphy, Shelly Hipfl and Kathy Flora regarding the Food Policy Committee Report.

**Item Two: December 18, 2015** – 10:00 AM Public Hearing on vacating platted streets and alleys in Mayers Addition to South Radley, Crawford County , Kansas.

**Item Three: December 18, 2015** – Opening of Rock Bids.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **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 [December 11, 2015](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:12 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.**

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**Don Pyle**

Crawford County Clerk

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**This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.**

Taken by DPP 12/11/15 at 11:12 AM, Amended by DPP 12/14/15 at 4:38 PM/amended BKW 12/15/2015 8:03 AM