

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2015, [ELEVENTH MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS [Tuesday, February 10, 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 and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Wood led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (15-045) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [February 6, 2015](#) minutes of the Board of Commissioners.

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	43	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the February 3, 2015 minutes
Motion 15	44	To accept the bid for cylinder rental received from Airgas of Pittsburg, Kansas

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

NEW BUSINESS:

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Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle regarding a request from Class LTD to approve the Agreement For Services for 2015. Mr. Pyle stated that this agreement has been used for many years to designate Class LTD as the provider of services to residents of Crawford County with developmental disabilities. It was discussed that this agreement is used by Class LTD to show the amount of local support that is being provided for these programs. It was discussed that representatives of Mosaic had approached the Commissioners a couple of months ago about getting a share of the Mental Retardation funds. The Commissioners wanted to know if there are clients of these organizations that have moved here from other counties and if there are folks that qualify for these services in the county that are not being served. The Commissioners asked the County Counselor to research the process for funding of these entities and then the county would ask all the providers of these services in the county to come discuss this issue.

Item Two: Commissioner Carl Wood regarding the deadline for sewer district users in the county that have fallen behind on their user fees. Mr. Wood thought that the deadline was February 9, 2015, and he felt that the users that have not set up a payment plan or paid in full should be disconnected from the sewer district. It was discussed that all of these users were notified 60 days before this deadline that they need to make arrangements for payment of their balances. Commissioners Moody and Murphy felt that they should have some additional time to make payment arrangements. The Commissioners decided to have Road & Bridge Director Liz Hart attempt to contact all of these people by phone to try to make arrangements for payment. If they cannot be contacted or if they do not follow up within 30 days then the county will start to disconnect homes from the sewer system. The Commissioners discussed that they hate to disconnect anyone from the sewer system, but they cannot continue to provide these services to users that will not pay. There was also a discussion of how hard it will be to actually disconnect these users in some of the sewer districts.

Item Three: Commissioner Carl Wood regarding the budget in the General Fund. Commissioner Wood wanted to review the spending in the Miscellaneous Department in the General Fund. County Clerk Don Pyle stated that he had broken down the spending in the Miscellaneous Department for 2014 and that he would give that information to the Commissioners. Mr. Pyle also stated that he spoke with the county's auditor about reducing the amount of wages on the January 30, 2015, paycheck that are charged back to 2014 in order to prevent the General Fund from going over budget. Mr. Pyle stated that the auditor had indicated that he was fine with that adjustment and that he would not object to the county discontinuing the practice of charging wages back to the prior year for the 10 days at the end of December. It was discussed that the amount charged back to 2014 needs to be reduced so that the county is not over budget for that year. The Commissioners decided to have a work session at 9:00 AM on Friday, February 13, to review this budget information.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Wood stated that he is worried that the state will make cuts to programs that could further impact the county and other local entities. There was a discussion of other items that the state could cut that would affect the counties.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS

Item One: February 13, 2015, 9:00 AM, - Work Session to discuss the 2014 General Fund Budget.

Item Two: February 13, 2015, 9:30 AM, - Work Session with Ms. Liz Hart, Crawford County Road & Bridge Administrator.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: February 16, 2015 – The Crawford County Courthouse will be closed in observance of Presidents Day.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to adjourn the [February 10, 2015](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at [10:49 AM](#) and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy 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 2/10/15 at 10:49 AM, Amended by DPP 2/11/15 at 3:10 PM/amended BKW 02/12/2015 3:36 PM