

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2014, THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS Tuesday, June 3, 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.

Deputy County Clerk Bobbi Wicker 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 (14-141) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the May 30, 2014 minutes of the Board of Commissioners

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 Deputy County Clerk presented the following motions for Commissioners' signatures:

Motion 14	137	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the May 23, 2014 minutes
Motion 14	138	To approve the 2015 Crawford County Conservation District 2015 Operations Fund Budget as presented by Chairman Mark Lehman
Motion 14	139	To approve the Lease Purchase Agreement with Community National Bank for the Courthouse Elevator Project in the amount of \$303,170.18 at 2.15% for 60 months
Motion 14	140	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 Shop Manager Greg Hite 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: Ms. Chuckie Hessong addressing fence and property lines. Ms. Hessong stated that the adjacent landowners removed portions of her fence and caused a major hazard with her animals. Ms. Hessong stated she is concerned for the safety of her cattle and people driving down the paved road in case her cattle should get out because of the insufficient fence. She stated that she is not sure where the liability would lay if her cattle got injured or out on the road and caused an accident. She feels she is following due process and the other landowners are not. Mr. Emerson stated he spoke with the other parties' attorneys Friday and he informed the attorney to leave the fence as is until this issue could be resolved. Ms. Hessong stated that she notified the Sheriff's Department and the deputy stated that this was a civil matter. Mr. Emerson stated that according to the fence laws the other parties are liable if anything should happen. A discussion was held on what the next move would be and who would be responsible for the costs of fixing the existing fence and getting a new fence built on the property line. Mr. Emerson will call the other parties' attorney today and inform him that Ms. Hessong is going to fix the existing fence to protect her cattle and the public. Mr. Moody requested that Mr. Ron Albertini do a survey or review the current survey as soon as possible. Mr. Wood suggested that she repair the old fence and then build new fence as soon as possible. Mr. Emerson explained the fence viewing process. Ms. Hessong stated that she is requesting a fence viewing. The Commissioners stated they do a fence viewing either Friday or Tuesday.

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

NEW BUSINESS:

Item One: Ms. Bobbi Wicker, Deputy County Clerk, presenting a letter of resignation for Karl Wicker, Washington Township Treasurer. He also presented a letter from Judith Smerchek, Washington Township Trustee and Kimberly Harman, Washington Township Clerk nominating Bobbi Wicker to fill the vacant position of Washington Township Treasurer.

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May 30, 2014

Due to ill health, I am no longer able to hold the position of Washington Township Treasurer and resign my position effective this day.

Thank you,



Karl Wicker

June 1, 2014

Commissioner Kmiec
Commissioner Moody
Commissioner Wood

Due to the recent resignation of Mr. Karl Wicker, we recommend appointing Ms. Bobbi Wicker of Arma, KS to fill the position of Washington Township Treasurer.

We feel that Ms. Wicker would do an excellent job in the position.

Bobbi is Karl's daughter and out of respect for Karl, the current Washington Township Clerk, we feel that Ms. Wicker is the perfect candidate to complete his term due to health reasons.

Thank you.

Judith Smerchek, Washington Township Trustee
Kimberly Harman, Washington Township Clerk

On motion (14-142) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to appoint Bobbi Wicker as Washington Township Treasurer to fill the vacancy due to Karl Wicker's resignation as Washington Township Treasurer.

Yeas: Commissioners Kmiec, Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Wood is concerned with the way work comp accidents are turned in. He would like to have a 24 hour turn in time and would like to revisit this issue. Mr. Emerson will contact Mr. Joe Calonge from EMC Insurance and have him come in the review the policy with the Commissioners.

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Item Three: Mr. Wood stated that shirts and vests have come in and the Commissioners discussed how to hand them out to the employees.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: June 10, 2014 – Public Hearing on closing and vacating a platted street in the Town of Beulah.

Item Two: June 10, 2014 – Public Hearing on closing and vacating platted streets in McAuliffe's Subdivision.

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 [June 3, 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:

Bobbi Wicker

Deputy County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken by BKW June 3, 2014/amended BKW 06/05/2014 8:04 AM](#)