

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2014, **EIGHTY-THIRD** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS **Tuesday, November 18, 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 (14-276) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **November 14, 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 County Clerk presented the following motions for Commissioners' signatures:

Motion 14	274	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the November 10, 2014 minutes of the Board of Commissioners & Approval of the November 10, 2014 minutes of the Board of County Canvassers & Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 552943 to 553152 dated November 14, 2014 in the total amount of \$199,360.41
Motion 14	275	To approve the October 2014 Clerk's Report

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: Dale Coomes, President, Girard Area Community Foundation and Representatives Wilda Pentola, Aggie Keesling and Joe Bournonville from Friends of

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Crawford State Lake Storm Shelter Group, addressing Farlington Lake Storm Shelter. Mr. Coomes stated the Girard Area Community Foundation had been asked to be a conduit for the Friends of Crawford State Park so that donors to their group can receive a tax deduction for their gifts. Mr. Coomes stated that the group needs to have a non-profit entity or municipality be an intermediary for the group as they withdraw funds from the foundation to pay for the construction of their storm shelters. This is why they are asking that the county be the intermediary for the withdrawal of funds from the foundation.

Mr. Joe Bournonville represented the Friends of Crawford State Lake that are raising funds for the construction of storm shelters at Crawford State Park. Mr. Bournonville stated that this group has been raising funds for a couple of years and that they have already raised over \$5,000 in funds for this cause. There was a discussion of some other possible funding methods including grants that may become available. Ms. Aggie Keesling discussed that these shelter will primarily be for campers at the lake and that there are often several hundred people at the lake. The group stated that they do not have any firm numbers of the cost of these shelters, but that the shelters that they have been looking at could cost nearly \$80,000 for up to 4 shelters scattered around the lake. Ms. Wilda Pentola stated that the group is asking for the approval of the commissioners to allow the funds for this project to pass from the Girard Area Community Foundation through Crawford County and on to the Friends of Crawford State Park

On motion (14-277) of Commissioner Kmiec and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the use of Crawford County as an Agent for the Friends of the Crawford State Park and the Girard Area Community Foundation for Storm Shelter Funds.

Yeas: Commissioners Kmiec, Wood and Moody

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

NEW BUSINESS:

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle mentioned that he has been working with representatives of the Miner's Hall Museum, the Crawford County Historical Society and B.J. Harris, CVB Director, to schedule a work session for 9:00 AM on November 25. The commissioners looked forward to that work session.

Mr. Pyle also mentioned that some of the county departments had asked about the schedule during the holiday season so that they could schedule some of their work better during that season. It was discussed that the courthouse would be closed on November 27 and 28 and that the commission meeting for November 28 would be cancelled. The commissioners discussed the holiday season in December and stated that they would look at the schedule for that later.

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UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Moody regarding the approval of an Early Retirement Option for county employees. Commissioner Wood stated that he would only be in favor of this program if the insurance coverage is for the employee only and does not cover the spouse. Commissioner Wood also stated that he does not see that it has saved the county any money. Commissioner Moody asked that the commissioners have their homework done on this subject by Friday.

Item Two: Commissioner Kmiec mentioned that they could erect the materials shed using some of the old steel beams that they have at the maintenance garage.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Wood requesting an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues that involve non-elected personnel.

On motion (14-278) of Commissioner Wood 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 60 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Appraiser Mike Montgomery and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Kmiec, Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:33 [AM](#) and reconvened the Open Session at 11:02 [AM](#) with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Kmiec requesting an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues that involve non-elected personnel.

On motion (14-279) of Commissioner Kmiec 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 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Kmiec, Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:04 [AM](#) and reconvened the Open Session at 11:13 [AM](#) with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

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Item One: November 21, 2014 – Ms. Judy Freeman presenting results of Zoning Board hearing.

Item Two: November 25, 2014, 9:00 AM – Work Session with the Convention & Visitor's Bureau Director, B. J. Harris, Miner's Hall Museum Board Members, Crawford County Historical Museum Director.

Item Three: November 25, 2014 – 10:00 AM Public Hearing on Crawford County Fire District #4 2014 amended budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: November 27 & 28, 2014 – Crawford County Courthouse will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day.

Item Two: November 28, 2014 – Regular Meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners is cancelled.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [November 18, 2014](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at [11:13 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 11/18/2014 at 11:13 AM, Amended by DPP on 11/18/2014 at 5:15 PM](#)