

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2015, [SEVENTIETH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS [Friday, September 25, 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 Tom Moody served as the presiding officer.

Commissioner Jeff Murphy was in attendance.

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

Chairman Moody led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (15-270) of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [September 22, 2015](#) minutes of the Board of Commissioners and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Wood

The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.

SIGNING OF MOTIONS

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

Motion 15	266	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the September 18, 2015 minutes and Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 559696 to 559950 dated September 15, 2015 in the total amount of \$396,073.96
Motion 15	267	To authorize the County Counselor to proceed with foreclosures on properties that are delinquent on property taxes for 2011 and 2012
Motion 15	268	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss Items that would be Deemed Privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson

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Motion 15	269	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss Items that would be Deemed Privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson
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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle regarding a claim for damage to a couple of employee vehicles in the parking lot from a large branch that fell from one of the trees in the courtyard. Mr. Pyle stated that the county's insurance company has stated that the county is not liable for the damages since it was in a storm that was beyond their control. The Commissioners asked Mr. Pyle to gather some additional information and the Commissioners could discuss it further at their next meeting.

Item Two: Mr. Jim Emerson regarding quotes on financing the lease purchase of vehicles for the Crawford County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Emerson stated that the rate quotes that were received for this financing had Arvest Bank as the best rate of 1.68%. Mr. Emerson stated that Arvest would like to have motion from the Commissioners that states that they had the lowest rate.

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To: Participating Banks
From: Jim Emerson
Re: Lease Purchase Quotes for Crawford County
Sheriff's Department
Date: August 11, 2015

Below is the breakdown on the County's lease-purchase quotes for the Crawford County Sheriff's Department Quotes.

Arvest Bank	1.68%
Commerce Bank	1.81%
Exchange State Bank	1.94%
Community National Bank	1.96%
Girard National Bank	1.99%
First National Bank of Girard	2.05%

Thank you for your continued interest in bidding on financing for County equipment.

On motion (15-271) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to accept Arvest Bank as the low bidder on Lease Purchase Financing for vehicles for the Crawford County Sheriff's Department.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Wood

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Commissioner Murphy regarding the clearing of brush at intersections so that motorists have a clear view at each intersection. Commissioner Moody stated that his crew works directly with Noxious Weed Director Ed Fields on this issue so that he can spray any stumps and vegetation after an intersection has been cleared to prevent it from growing back quickly. Mr. Murphy stated that he would have his crew get in contact with Mr. Fields to coordinate on the clearing of intersections in his district. Mr. Murphy also stated that at some intersections the land owner is unwilling to let the county clear the brush and that he felt that a road study needs to be done and he would pursue that with the Sheriff's Department.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle regarding the Canvass of the Ballots for the 2015 City of Pittsburg Sales Tax Question Election. Mr. Pyle stated that the canvass would be held at 10:00 AM with the regular commission meeting to follow immediately. Mr. Pyle also stated that there would be 6 provisional ballots to review. There was a discussion of the cost of the election that would be paid by the City of Pittsburg.

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Item Two: Commissioner Murphy regarding a visit to the county shop when he noticed that work was being done on Asphalt Foreman Randy Chiartano's truck. Mr. Murphy stated that he hated to see them doing any work on that truck since it needs to be replaced and should be salvaged. Commissioner Moody agreed that the county should not spend any additional money on that vehicle. There was a discussion of possible ways to replace his truck with a better model.

Item Three: Commissioner Murphy regarding a meeting at Pittsburg City Hall that included officials from the City of Pittsburg, the Cherokee County Economic Development Director, Blake Benson and some other officials. Mr. Murphy stated that he was impressed with the Cherokee County Economic Development Director and her details of the work she is doing for them. Mr. Murphy stated that he is convinced that this is a position that Crawford County should invest in and that he will continue to work to figure out how this can work. Mr. Murphy stated that the officials from Pittsburg hope to schedule a joint work session between the County Commissioners and the Pittsburg City Commission. It was suggested that October 13 at 5:00 PM prior to a Pittsburg City Commission Meeting would be a good time. Commissioner Murphy stated that he would bring this up at the next commission meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: September 29, 2015 – 9:00 AM – Work Session with Mr. Joey Adams and Dr. Tim Stebbins regarding the Ambulance Department Director's Position.

Item Two: September 29, 2015 – Canvassing of the Ballots from the 2015 City of Pittsburg Sales Tax Question Election held on September 24, 2015.

Item Three: September 29, 2015 – Mr. Mac Young, director of Community Corrections presenting Fiscal Year 2015 outcomes for Community Corrections.

Item Four: September 29, 2015 – Mr. Ray Ryan, Ryan Insurance Agency.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: September 25, 2015 – Horizon Systems will host a Grand Opening of their Machine and Manufacturing Facility in McCune from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM.

Item Two: September 26, 2015, 10:00 AM – Commissioners Moody and Wood will both be at the Frontenac Parade in Frontenac, Kansas.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

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On the motion of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [September 25, 2015](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:24 [AM](#) and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Wood

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 9/25/15 at 10:24 AM, Amended by DPP on 9/25/15 at 4:55 PM/amended BKW 09/28/2015 1:57 PM](#)