

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2017, TWENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS **Friday, April 14, 2017, 10:30 AM** After Work Session

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.

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Murphy addressed the issue of the Angels Among Us building site at the fairgrounds that is in a flood plain area. Mr. Murphy explained that the foundation must be raised 2 feet to meet the legal flood plain guidelines. Mr. Murphy stated that the Commission would like to hear from the Fair Board Members on what they feel the solution should be. Mr. Chad Ericson, Fair Board Member, stated that he received a bid from Evans Concrete for elevating the foundation to be compliant and the bid was \$13,000 to add to the existing pad and install stem walls. Mr. Ericson stated that it would save money to remove the existing pad but would be more time consuming for the County employees. There was a discussion on moving the building to a different location and turning the building sideways to allow for future growth of the building. The Fair Board stated that they want a new building there before the fair and stated they would also remove the existing car port. Mr. Robert Tersinar, Fair Board Treasurer, stated that the Fair Board decided that it makes sense to lift the building as it is the right thing to do. He said that the Fair Board has the funds to build the building and the only thing needed from the County is to take out the existing pad, put clay down and build it up. He explained that the original plan was to build this the same size but since the issue of the flood plain and the pad needing to be torn out they would like to build a slightly bigger building. The Commissioners requested the carport be removed by Monday. The County will have a crew there Monday morning to remove the existing pad and do the buildup. Mr. Murphy asked Mr. BJ Harris, CVB Director, about contributing funds to the concrete pad and Mr. Harris stated he would like to wait to see what the Fair Board can finance.

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Ms. Gena Harris, Fair Board Secretary asked about grading the roads due to lying water. Mr. Murphy stated that the drainage issues will be addressed when pad is torn out. There was a discussion on the issue of vendors being allowed at the Fair and some vendors being turned down. Mr. Tersinar explained the process that was followed with the vendors applying for a site at the Fair. The Commissioners stated that they appreciate all the work the fair board is doing. The Fair Board thanked the Commissioners for all the help they have provided. The Commissioners discussed the equipment needed on Monday to do the work and Mr. Murphy will be the contact person.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (17-136) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **April 11, 2017** minutes of the Board of County Commissioner, and
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 17	132	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the April 7, 2017 minutes
Motion 17	133	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Project Manager Robert Gorentz
Motion 17	134	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 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
Motion 17	135	To close the Courthouse at 12 noon on April 14, 2017, for Good Friday

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM THE COUNTY LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

Item One: Ms. Cristi Mitchell, Blue Cross and Blue Shield representative and Mr. Bob Clement from Gallagher Group addressed Health Insurance Claims. Mr. Clement spoke about the health insurance claims for the first quarter. The first quarter included claims

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from mental health for services that were provided prior to December 31, 2016. There was a discussion of large claims and that 1 claim had reached the max of \$100,000 and will go into the BC/BS recovery pool. Mr. Pyle showed spread sheets with claim information. There was a discussion of the claims that went over the stop loss last year that reached approximately \$1.8 million. The Commissioners have transferred \$376,000 so far this year from other funds into Risk Management. There was a discussion of claims and run off amounts. Mr. Murphy addressed a different policy that can raise employee contributions for smokers and others. Mr. Joe Grisolano gave the amount of funds deposited into the Risk Management Fund. The reports are formatted on a different basis than the county. They will reformat some reports and come back later.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Harris spoke about the new County logo. Mr. Pyle showed an example of the new logo and Sheriff Horton and EMS Director Randy Sandburg stated they would use the logo on their department vehicles. Mr. Harris stated that he is working on shirts and vehicle emblems. He said he is also working on business cards, letterhead and envelopes and would like county departments to use the new logo when they reorder.

There was a discussion on the security for future events held at the Fairgrounds. Sheriff Peak stated that it would be difficult for his department to police all events at the fairgrounds and it was discussed that most events would provide their own security and that sheriff's deputies can be contracted on their own time. It was also discussed that the Girard Police Department could also provide some help.

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated that Ms. Mitchell will be back on Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

Item Two: Sheriff Peak stated that tomorrow is the 150-year anniversary of the Crawford County Commission and the Crawford County Sheriff's Office and presented the Commissioners with Challenge Coins that he purchased for them. The Commissioners thanked Sheriff Peak.

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS continued

Item Two: Mr. Pyle stated that the County Commissioners and Highway Officials Annual Meeting will be in Chanute at 8:30 AM on April 20, 2017.

Item Three: Mr. Jim Emerson stated that Mr. Joe Grisolano, County Treasurer is requesting a transfer of \$3000 from the General Miscellaneous fund to the Risk Management Fund. There was a discussion on the health insurance and what the solution would be.

On motion (17-137) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve the Transfer of \$3,000 from the General Fund to the Risk Management Fund.

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Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Four: Mr. Emerson stated that he received an email from Ms. Martha Murphy from K State Extension stating that the 2 year lease between Crawford County and K State for a part of the Freeto Building at 667 S 69 Highway Pittsburg, KS is up and they would like to amend the lease to renew the lease for another 2 years. He stated K State leases the office space for an amount of \$1,800 Semi-annually.

On motion (17-138) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve the Kansas State University Amendment to the Lease between Crawford County Board of Commissioners and KSU – College of Ecology for premises located 667 S 69 Hwy, Pittsburg, Kansas (Freeto Building) with the Semi-Annual Rental Payment amount of \$1,800.00 and Authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Five: Mr. Wood stated that he looked at a track hoe and didn't feel that it is what the county needed.

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES con't

Item Two: Mr. B J Harris addressed the logo on business cards and showed an example of the business cards. He stated he has quotes from Pitt Craft on the printing charges for business cards, letterhead and envelopes and can get additional quotes. Mr. Harris discussed the prices for the different stationary items. He also discussed shirts with the logo.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Wood addressed the issue of Mr. Fields mulching around the trees on Monday and will need to contact Mr. Fields rescheduling as all trucks will be in use at the Fairgrounds. Mr. Woods will contact Mr. Fields and set up another time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: April 18, 2017 – 9:00 AM Work Session on a countywide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.

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Item Two: April 18, 2017 – Ms. Cristi Mitchell, BC/BS addressing Health Insurance Claims.

Item Three: April 18, 2017 – Southeast High School USD 247 Technology Student Association requesting donation for expenses to the National Championship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: April 14, 2017 – The Courthouse will close at 12 noon for Good Friday.

Item Two: April 20, 2017 -- County Commissioner and Highway Officials Annual Meeting in Chanute at 8:30 AM. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

Item Three: April 26, 2017 – 2017 Student Government Day.

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 [April 14, 2017](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 12:16 PM 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 BKW 4/14/17 12:16 PM/amended BKW 4/17/17 2:10 PM](#)