

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2023, TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. Tuesday, April 4, 2023 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 Bruce Blair served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Carl Wood were in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker was seated with the Board.

Chairman Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (23-154) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **March 31, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair 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 23	150	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the March 28, 2023 minutes
Motion 23	151	To adopt Resolution #2023-006, A Resolution Accepting and Granting the Proposed Development to be known as "Quail Hollow" and to Accept and Grant the Amendment of Zoning from Agriculture to Single Family Residential
Motion 23	152	To approve the ARPA Small Child Care Grant Application for Annette Buckle Daycare
Motion 23	153	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 to discuss the Mental Health Department and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:08 AM

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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Rusty Akins, Emergency Management Director addressed the Commissioners and gave an update on storm shelters. He presented the Commissioners with a listing of available storm shelters throughout the county and also a bulletin listing the number to contact if the public would like to receive SMS notifications. He stated that all of this information is also published on the county website. Commissioner Wood questioned why Crawford County Fire District #2 Station is not listed as a public storm shelter and Mr. Akins will contact that fire district. The Commissioners also asked Mr. Akins to contact Crawford County Fire District #1 and Kansas Crossing Casino to see if there are storm shelters available at their facilities and report his findings to the Commissioners. The Commissioners also discussed Mr. Akins contacting the area superintendents about using the local schools as storm shelters for the public.

Item Two: Zoning Administrator May Smith addressed the Commissioners and stated that each building permit application issued by the Zoning Office has a page to fill out to register their storm shelter with the Emergency Management Office and the GIS Office. She explained that the public can also call her office to register their shelters. Ms. Smith presented the plat of the new subdivision, “Quail Hollow” that was approved last Friday and requires the Commissioners’ signatures and the County Clerk’s signature. The Commissioners and County Clerk Lisa Lusker signed the plat which will be filed in the Register of Deed’s Office.

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Ms. Lusker explained that her office received a phone call from a Girard resident stating that last week in the high winds the cable broke on the flag pole on the courthouse lawn. The flags were on the ground and she took them to the Girard Fire Station. Ms. Lusker stated that she has notified Maintenance Supervisor Robert Gorentz of the situation and he will take care of the issue.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker presented the March 2023 Clerk’s Report. She stated that this report summarizes the total amounts spent by departments for payroll and bills during the month of March. Ms. Lusker also gave the Commissioners a copy of the February 2023 to March 2023 Clerk’s Report of Changes in Expenditures for comparison. The Commissioners reviewed the reports.

On motion (23-155) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the March 2023 Clerk’s Report as presented.

On a Roll Call Vote.

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Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Commissioner Moody discussed Good Friday. Ms. Lusker stated that historically the last 4 years the Commissioners have given the employees the day off for Good Friday. Commissioner Wood discussed Independence Day being on a Tuesday and the issue of giving the employees the previous Monday off in addition to Independence Day. He stated he is willing to give the employees either Good Friday off or giving the employees the Monday before Independence Day off, but is not in favor of both days. Commissioner Blair stated that he has no issue with closing on Good Friday as some of the employees will be traveling for the Easter Holiday. Commissioner Moody stated that he is in favor of closing the offices for Good Friday. He stated that they will decide on the Monday before Independence Day when that date gets closer.

On motion (23-156) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve closing the Courthouse on Good Friday, April 7, 2023.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Blair

Nays: Commissioner Wood

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Four: Commissioner Wood discussed trucks and equipment and the information that Commissioner Blair presented last week. He said that his district could do without a new dump truck but does need a road tractor and low boy trailer. Commissioner Moody explained that no matter which district the vehicles or equipment is located, it all belongs to the county and any district can use the machinery if needed. He stated that he will look over Commissioner Blair's information. Commissioner Blair stated that all the districts will work together. The Commissioners discussed having a work session with the Road Foremen on the asphaltting.

Item Five: Commissioner Blair stated that there will be a SEK Regional Planning Commission Committee meeting this Thursday and he will try to get information on the infrastructure grants.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Moody discussed the Courthouse lawn and Commissioner Wood stated that the gentlemen he had in mind to do the work on the lawn is tied up at this time but Noxious Weed Director Tommy Scales will do the spraying and fertilizing.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair stated that the 12", 15" and 18" culverts were delivered this morning and that the inventory has been done on culverts 36" and down. There was a discussion on bidding out the culverts and the savings involved. There was also a discussion on fencing some property by the salt shed to store some of the culverts.

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Item Three: The Commissioners discussed the trash service for the county buildings and bidding the services out again.

Item Four: Commissioner Blair stated that crack sealing is being done on Gooding Road.

Item Five: The Commissioners discussed work sessions. They scheduled a work session with the Road Foremen, the leadmen and Asphalt Foreman Randy Chiartano to discuss this year's asphalt scheduling on April 14, 2023 at 9:00 AM. The Commissioners also scheduled a work session with Shop Foreman Josh Peak on April 18, 2023 at 9:00 AM to discuss trucks and equipment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: April 11, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Zoning Administrator May Smith to discuss nuisance regulations and tire reclamation.

Item Two: April 11, 2023 – 10:00 AM Public Hearing on Vacating Platted Streets in the Town of Curran.

Item Three: April 14, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session with the Road Foremen, the leadmen and Asphalt Foreman Randy Chiartano to discuss this year's asphalt scheduling.

Item Four: April 18, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Shop Foreman Josh Peak to discuss trucks and equipment.

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 [April 4, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:36 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

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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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken BKW 4/4/2023 10:36 AM/amended BKW 4/10/2023 12:30 PM