

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2024, [SIXTIETH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Friday, August 16, 2024 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 Carl Wood served as the presiding officer.

Commissioner Bruce Blair was in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Wood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (24-360) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **August 13, 2024** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the **August 13, 2024** minutes of the Board of County Canvassers, and
3. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 631316 to 631768 dated August 15, 2024 in the total amount of \$444,850.82.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.

SIGNING OF MOTIONS

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

Motion 24	353	To appoint County Counselor Jim Emerson to the Crawford County Board of Canvassers for the 2024 Statewide Primary election canvass
Motion 24	354	To Accept the Recommendations of the County Election Officer for the Acceptance and Rejection of Provisional Ballots from the 2024 Statewide Primary Election held August 13, 2024 in Crawford County
Motion 24	355	To Accept the Final Results Report of the 2024 Statewide Primary held August 6, 2024 in Crawford County

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Motion 24	356	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the August 9, 2024 minutes
Motion 24	357	To approve the funding of \$82,500 for the pilot phase of Recovery Court from the Opioid Settlement Funds
Motion 24	358	To approve the two attorney contracts for Ms. Kaylyn Hite and Mr. Jason Wiske as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 24	359	To recess the open meeting for a period of 5 minutes

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 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker stated Director of Fiscal Services Randi Ryan would like a 15 minute work session on either August 23rd or August 27th to discuss ARPA. Commissioner Blair asked if this could be done on August 27th and Ms. Lusker said August 27th will work. Ms. Lusker mentioned they will plan for a work session on August 27th at 9:45 AM to discuss ARPA.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker mentioned a representative from Varney & Associates would like to attend the open meeting on August 30th at 10:00 AM to present the audit findings for the county.

Item Three: County Counselor Jim Emerson discussed the District Meeting on September 19th, 2024. He mentioned that Ms. Lusker, Ms. Ryan, and other department heads have been working hard to get this meeting arranged. Mr. Emerson said one thing that needs to be settled on the Commissioners portion of the meeting is what kind of program they would like to have for their break out session. Mr. Emerson mentioned possibly touring the CTEC building. Commissioner Wood mentioned a previous meeting in Burlington that three or four other Commissioners said they would like to have a sit-down discussion so he feels like it would be good to have Bruce or Jay from KAC come talk to the Commissioners. Mr. Emerson stated he will call KAC today to try and arrange this. Commissioner Blair says this could be a good idea because there is a lot of changes always happening. Commissioner Wood asked where the Commissioners will be meeting and Ms. Lusker answered that the Commissioner's meeting place will be at The Foundry at Block 22. Mr. Emerson gave the general timeline of the meeting.

Item Four: Mr. Emerson mentioned he visited with Mr. Chris Dunlap with USD 248 regarding the students in the Life Career Skills class. He stated that previously the Commissioners have discussed allowing the students to come to the Courthouse for a set amount of time and allowing them to participate in work they are interested in. Mr. Emerson mentioned Mr. Dunlap will come over next Monday at 11:00 AM to meet with

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a few people within the courthouse. Mr. Emerson mentioned these students will be supervised by an adult at all times.

Item Five: Commissioner Blair discussed the work session that they had this morning. He mentioned he is interested in going to the old landfill to look at a few things and was not sure if that is something the other Commissioners would like to do as a group. Commissioner Wood stated that they could go as a group and that it is something they need to get moving on. Commissioner Wood asked if Mr. Emerson will be contacting Deffenbaugh in regards to the landfill and Mr. Emerson confirmed he will be contacting them.

Item Six: Commissioner Wood stated he received an email yesterday that the roof top unit was installed at the Homer Cole center. He also mentioned the asphalt crew has now moved in to Commissioner Moody's area. Mr. Emerson asked if patching and chip and seal can be done quickly and Commissioner Wood explained.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Wood mentioned he will have to sign some titles for the Purple Wave list. He said he believes they have to have the titles before they begin advertising the equipment. Mr. Emerson mentioned he believes there are a couple of items that need signed from Tuesday's meeting as well.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: August 20, 2024- 8:00 AM Work session with County Clerk Lisa Lusker to discuss budget.

Item Two: August 20, 2024- 9:00 AM Work session with the Bukaty Companies to discuss insurance.

Item Three: August 20, 2024- Mr. Joshua S. Albin, Adams Jones Law Firm, P.A., giving a Comprehensive Plan presentation.

Item Four: August 27, 2024- 9:45 AM Work session with Director of Fiscal Services Randi Ryan to discuss ARPA.

Item Five: August 30, 2024- 10:00 AM Ms. April Swartz with Varney & Associates presenting the 2023 audit.

Item Six: October 1, 2024- 9:00 AM Work session with KCAMP and KWORC to discuss insurance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Item One: August 27, 2024- 3:00 PM Ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Addiction Treatment Center at the Richard H Pfeiffer Recovery Complex. One or more Commissioners may be in attendance.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Wood to adjourn the [August 16, 2024](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:18 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken RJA 8/19/24 10:00 AM/amended BKW 8/19/24 11:00 AM](#)