

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2023, **SIXTY-FIRST** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Friday, August 18, 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.

Chairman Bruce Blair served as the presiding officer.

Commissioner Tom Moody was in attendance.

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

Chairman Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (23-326) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **August 15, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Blair

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 23	324	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the August 11, 2023 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 623680 to 623983 dated August 15, 2023 in the total amount of \$391,993.31
Motion 23	325	To set a hearing date of September 19, 2023 on excluding land previously annexed into the City of Girard

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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson presented a Notice of Intent to Vacate Platted Alleys in Mayer's Addition to South Radley with a hearing date set for 10:00 AM on September 22, 2023. He presented a map of the area and explained where the alleys are located.

On motion (23-327) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the publication of the Notice of Intent to Vacate Platted Alleys in Mayer's Addition to South Radley with a hearing date set for 10:00 AM on September 22, 2023.
Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Wood

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated there has been a request from Girard Alumni to use the Crawford County Courthouse grounds for the upcoming Fall Festival. He stated they would like to have a tent set up. Commissioner Blair explained that they have not provided the exact size of the tent yet but that it would go up on Friday the same weekend of the festival and be taken down that Sunday.

On motion (23-328) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the request from the Girard Alumni to install a tent on Crawford County Courthouse grounds the weekend of Fall Festival.

Yeas: Commissioner Moody and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Wood

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson informed the Commissioners about a request for a work session with Bukaty Company on August 25, 2023 at 9:00 AM. He explained that they are the consultant for health insurance as well as vision and dental. The Commissioners agreed to the work session.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Emerson reported on the tax sale that took place on August 15, 2023. He stated the turn out was great resulting in the collection of \$107,000 in back taxes and

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fees. Commissioner Moody asked if all properties had been sold and Mr. Emerson stated all but a few that will go back to their city's land bank.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair discussed the project being done on the asphalt and stated that it should be completed sometime next week.

Item Three: Commissioner Moody stated he received a call from Mulberry Limestone pertaining to chips in regards to the chip and seal project. He stated that he thinks they need to look at the asphalt and decide what needs to be done.

Item Four: Commissioner Blair stated the county is working on mowing. He stated they have had to work around breakdowns, rain, and a large area to cover.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Moody requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (23-329) of Commissioner Blair 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 the Road and Bridge Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:25 AM

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Moody

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Wood

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:10 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:23 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (23-330) of Commissioner Blair 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 EMS Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:39 AM

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Wood

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:24 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:37 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: August 22, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session on 2024 County Budget.

Item Two: August 22, 2023 – Work Session with Mr. Robert Gorentz and Mr. Aaron Crozier immediately after the Regular Session.

Item Three: August 25, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work session with Bukaty Company to discuss insurance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [August 18, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:38 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Blair

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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken BKW 8/18/23 10:38 AM/amended RAA 8/21/23 1:45 PM