

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2021, **EIGHTY-NINTH** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS, **Tuesday, December 14, 2021, 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 Jeremy Johnson served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Bruce Blair were in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle was seated with the Board.

### **UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion (21-420)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **December 10, 2021** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

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 21	408	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the December 7, 2021 minutes
Motion 21	409	To approve the City of Girard and the City of Frontenac's requests for ARPA funding based on a per resident formula in which the City of Girard is awarded \$506,626 and the City of Frontenac is awarded \$683,164
Motion 21	410	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 to discuss the American Rescue Plan Act Funding and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Mike Bodensteiner of Greenbush and to reconvene by 10:34 AM
Motion 21	411	To approve the publication for the 2021 Budget Amendment for Crawford County and to set a hearing date of December 28, 2021 at 10:00 AM

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Motion 21	412	To approve the publication for the 2021 Budget Amendment for Crawford County Fire District #1, Fire District #2, Fire District #3 and Fire District #4 and to set a hearing date of December 28, 2021 at 10:00 AM
Motion 21	413	To make it known that the board hereby issues a license to “sell at retail”, cereal malt beverages from the place of business as shown in the application APPLICANT: Anthony Pichler “Pichler’s Chicken Annies” PREMISES: 1271 S 220th St, Pittsburg, KS 66762 (For consumption on the premises) APPLICANT: Anthony Pichler “Pichler’s Chicken Annies” PREMISES: 1271 S 220th St, Pittsburg, KS 66762 (For sale in original and unopened containers and not for consumption on the premises) APPLICANT: Larry Zerngast “Chicken Mary” PREMISES: 1133 E 600th Ave, Pittsburg, KS 66762 (For consumption on the premises) APPLICANT: “Jo’s One Stop” PREMISES: 401 N 69 Hwy, Arma, KS 66712 (For sale in original and unopened containers and not for consumption on the premises)
Motion 21	414	To adopt Resolution #2021-016, A Resolution Exempting Crawford County, Kansas from Using the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) in the Preparation of its Financial Statements and Reports
Motion 21	415	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss Sheriff’s Department Employees and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Sheriff Danny Smith and to reconvene by 11:07 AM
Motion 21	416	To approve changing the retirement plan for the sworn full-time members of the Sheriff’s Office from the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) to the Kansas Police & Fireman’s Retirement System (KP&F).
Motion 21	417	To approve the purchase of 2 2022 International HV507 Dump Trucks with a 5 year/300k warranty for the total price of \$318,400 and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 21	418	To approve the letter of support to the Kansas Board of Regents from the Board of Crawford County Commissioners for Fort Scott Community College’s application for a Heavy Equipment Operators program through the Southeast Kansas Career & Technical Education Center
Motion 21	419	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss the Opioid Lawsuit and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:46 AM

**UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS**

**PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS**

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**MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH  
MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC  
MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS  
MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS  
MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES  
NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Commissioner Bruce Blair discussed a request from the Hepler Library Board for financial assistance. He stated that these funds would come from the Jayhawk Windfarm contributions. He explained that the request is in the amount of \$6,424.00.

**On motion (21-421)** of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the request from the Hepler City Library Board for financial assistance in the amount of \$6,424 with funds from the Jayhawk Windfarm Contribution Payment.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle stated that the local legislators have been invited to attend the Regular Session on December 21, 2021 and he has received confirmation from Senator Richard Hildebrand and Representative Ken Collins and will reach out to Representative Chuck Smith again. Commissioner Moody requested that the local mayors be invited to attend. Commissioner Johnson stated that Community Corrections Director Tracy Harris should also be notified of the meeting. The commissioners also asked that Mr. Bill Brady of Capitol Consulting be informed of the meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**On motion (21-422)** of Commissioner Johnson 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 & Bridge Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and to reconvene by 10:28 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:13 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:28 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:

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Item One: December 24, 2021** – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Christmas Holiday.

### UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [December 14, 2021](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:33 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

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.**

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**Don Pyle**  
County Clerk

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**This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.**

Taken by BKW 12/14/2021 10:33 AM/amended BKW 12/16/2021 1:00 PM