

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2016, [ELEVENTH MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS [Friday, February 12, 2016, 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 Tom Moody served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Carl Wood and Jeff Murphy were in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Moody led the pledge of allegiance.

### UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**On motion (16-060)** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [February 9, 2016](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers **563090 to 563318 dated February 12, 2016 in the total amount of \$166,544.14, and**
3. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

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 16	57	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the February 5, 2016 minutes
Motion 16	58	To approve the January 2016 Clerk's Report as presented
Motion 16	59	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, Ambulance Director Randy Sandberg and County Counselor Jim Emerson

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## UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

### CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

### MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

**Item One:** Representatives from organizations requesting Elderly Funds. Commissioner Moody stated that many of the requests had remained steady. Mr. Pyle stated that there was a new request from the Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging for funds for their Meals on Wheels Program and that most of these funds help with expenses for Senior Citizens Centers in the county and Meals on Wheels and Congregate Meals Programs that are working in the county. Ms. Marian Lane spoke regarding the funds requested for the Girard Congregate Meals Program and discussed the expenses that they will need to cover in 2016. Ms. Cynthia Lane, Executive Director of the Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging, spoke regarding their request for funds for 2016 and gave the Commissioners some information about their programs. Ms. Lane discussed that the SEKAAA has another request for funds that is used to provide some other programs and services for seniors. Ms. Lane also stated that the SEKAAA prepares meals at the Homer Cole Center in Pittsburg and that they deliver over 36,000 meals annually in areas spread out all over Crawford County. Mr. Joe Beauchamp, Board Member for the Pittsburg Meals on Wheels Program, spoke about their funds request and that their meals are prepared in the kitchen at Via Christi Hospital and that they deliver about 15,600 meals annually in the City of Pittsburg. Commissioner Moody was answered by Chris Wiener and Julie Smith of the City of Girard that their request is to help maintain the Senior Citizen Center in Girard. There was a discussion of how all of these services either have different service areas and that many of them serve a different area of the county. The commissioners discussed that if they fund all the entities at the same level as 2015, except that they will give Pittsburg Meals on Wheels \$750 more than in 2015 for a total of \$27,250 in 2016 and to give the SEK Area Agency on Aging \$18,250 in Funds for 2016 for their Meals on Wheels Program.

**On motion (16-061)** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to Approve Elderly Funding for 2016 in amounts equal to the funding amounts for 2015, except that Pittsburg Meals on Wheels will receive \$27,250 in 2016 and the SEK Area Agency on Aging will receive \$18,250 in 2016 for their Meals on Wheels Program.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Representatives from organizations requesting Historical Funds. Ms. Debbie Simms spoke regarding the Friends of Historic Girard request for funding and stated that their organization has received a \$90,000 grant from the Kansas Historical Society to help in restoring the old church building that is a major part of the museum. Ms. Simms discussed some of the plans that the Friends of Historic Girard have for working on their

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facilities and for opening their buildings for visitors. Ms. Amanda Minton, regarding the request for funding from the Crawford County Historical Society for 2016. Ms. Minton discussed the projects that the museum is working on that include repairs to the roof and to the heating and cooling systems. Mr. Jerry Lomshek spoke regarding the funding needs for the Miner's Hall Museum in 2016 and that they will continue to remain open in the new year. There was a discussion of the progress that all of these organizations have made and that they are all in different stages of their development. The commissioners discussed leaving the awards at the same levels as 2015 except to add funding for the Sherman Township Hall in the amount of \$1,000. There was a discussion of how these organizations will help to create more interest and tourism in Crawford County. The commissioners praised these organizations for their hard work.

**On motion (16-062)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to Approve Historical Funding for 2016 in the same amount as 2015 except to add \$1,000 in funding for the Sherman Township Hall.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### **MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Commissioner Carl Wood regarding the invoice from the lab for their work on blood samples for the Wellness Committee.

**On motion (16-063)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to Approve the payment to Cytocheck Laboratories for processing of Blood Samples for the Wellness Committee from the General Fund.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Commissioner Wood regarding information on tractors that should be heavy enough to handle a boom mower. Mr. Wood stated that these tractor specifications were provided by Diamond Mowers, the mower manufacturer and that they have already went through the process of the state contract bidding. Mr. Wood stated that he was just wanting to give this information to the other commissioners for their review.

Commissioner Moody passed the gavel to Vice-Chairman Wood to finish the meeting as Mr. Moody had a funeral that he needed to attend.

**Item Three:** County Clerk Don Pyle regarding a meeting that is being held at the Marmaton Valley School on February 16 in regards to a Regional Vocational Technical School. Commissioner Wood was going to check the information out.

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**Item Four:** Commissioner Murphy regarding a meeting with Mr. Ken Blair of Cook, Flatt & Strobel that might be coming up. Mr. Murphy wanted to discuss his proposal to design a rural bridge for the county. It was thought that he would be in the county soon.

### UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

**Item One:** Commissioner Murphy regarding the applications received for the Economic Development Steering Committee. Mr. Pyle stated that he would send a list of the applicants to the commissioners.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Murphy regarding some information that he has received on bucket trucks. Commissioner Wood was worried about safety issues and the responsibility that comes with these trucks.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Wood regarding using the transmission and some other parts from Randy Chiartano's old pickup that could be used to repair a truck that is owned by the Appraiser's Office. It was discussed that this could be a good spare vehicle to have. There was also a discussion of another spare vehicle that they will have.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### FUTURE BUSINESS:

##### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Item One: February 15, 2016** – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of President's Day.

**Item Two: February 16, 2016, 8:00 AM** – The Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be held at 8:00 AM.

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

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to adjourn the [February 12, 2016](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:51 **AM** and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

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.**

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**Don Pyle**  
County Clerk

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**This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.**  
Taken by DPP 2/12/16 at 11:51 AM, Amended by DPP 2/12/16 at 3:39 PM/amended BKW 02/12/2016 3:47 PM