

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2018, **FIFTH** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS **Tuesday, January 16, 2018, 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 Jeff Murphy served as the presiding officer. Commissioners Tom Moody and Commissioner Carl Wood were in attendance. County Clerk Don Pyle and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board. Chairman Murphy led the pledge of allegiance.

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

**On motion (18-019)** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **January 12, 2018** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy 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 18	14	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the January 8, 2018 minutes
Motion 18	15	To have Triad Environmental Services review the Rock Bids and make recommendations to the commissioners based on those bids.
Motion 18	16	To approve the agreement between Crawford County and Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Kansas for 2018 that includes Telehealth Coverage and authorize Commissioner Wood to sign.

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Motion 18	17	To approve the Kansas Housing Resource Corporation Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Recipient Request for Reimbursement and Financial Status Report in the amount of \$5,081.00 and authorize the Vice-Chairman to sign.
Motion 18	18	To approve the Transfer of \$3,060 from the Noxious Weed budget to the Road & Bridge Equipment Reserve Fund for future Noxious Weed Equipment purchases.

### UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

#### MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

#### MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

#### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

**Item One:** County Emergency Management Director Jason VanBecelaere stated that a representative from Code Red would meet with local LEPC members on Thursday January 18 at 10:00 AM to discuss their emergency notification system.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

#### PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

#### NEW BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle regarding the possibility of having training on the prevention of sexual harassment for employees of Crawford County. Mr. Pyle stated that he had spoken with Mr. Jim Harms from EMC Insurance and they had some videos on their website that could be used for employee training. Commissioner Murphy stated that an employee needs to be designated as a contact for employees to discuss issues that may arise. The commissioners asked Mr. Pyle to contact Greenbush to see if they know of someone that could provide training on this issue.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Moody regarding the need for a good medium sized front end loader. Commissioner Wood mentioned that he had been looking for one on the Purple Wave website.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Wood regarding the amount of money that was spent by the county in 2017 for prescription drugs. Mr. Wood stated that the county spent nearly \$782,000 for prescriptions in 2017. There was a discussion of the need to find ways to reduce the amount of money spent on prescriptions. There was also a discussion of the rebates that the county should start to receive in 2018 on prescription drugs. Mr. Wood stated that he would discuss this with BCBS representatives on January 24 in Topeka.

### UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle stated that he had done some additional analysis regarding the cost of employee raises and the effect on county budgets. Mr. Pyle gave the Commissioners copies of the analysis that attempted to show if departments could

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afford to give raises in 2018 based on their 2017 actual spending and their budget for 2018. The Commissioners reviewed the material and thanked Mr. Pyle for the analysis.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Murphy regarding the progress on the county codes court. It was discussed that the applications for a judge would go to Mr. Troy Graham, Zoning Administrator, and that the notice was published in the Morning Sun on Thursday, January 11, 2018. That would make the deadline to receive a protest petition fall on February 12, 2018. Commissioner Murphy suggested that Mr. Troy Graham, Mr. Jim Emerson and the codes court judge may want to observe a codes court in action before our court starts to hear cases. Mr. Emerson agreed that it would be a good idea to visit one of these courts.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Murphy wondered if the City of Girard or the county is responsible for clearing the snow in the parking spaces on the streets surrounding the courthouse. It was felt that the county is responsible for the parking lot and the city is responsible for clearing the streets.

**Item Four:** Commissioner Wood stated that he thought the Road & Bridge crews all worked well on clearing the roads after the recent snowfall.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Item One:** Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

**On motion (18-020)** of Commissioner Wood 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 items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:33 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:48 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel.

**On motion (18-021)** of Commissioner Wood 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 Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

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Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:49 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:04 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

### **UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Item One: January 18 & 19, 2018** – Alice Training for County Employees.

**Item Two: January 18, 2018, 10:00 AM** – Meeting with Representative from Code Red Emergency Notification System and LEPC members at Fire Station 1 in Pittsburg.

**Item Three: January 19, 2018, 9:00 AM** – Work Session with Sheriff Dan Peak.

**Item Four: January 26, 2018** – Alice Training at 8:00 AM at the Homer Cole Senior Center for Road & Bridge, Maintenance and Sign Department employees.

### **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 [January 12, 2018](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:04 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

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 DPP 1/16/18 at 11:04 AM](#)