

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2017, [EIGHTH MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS [Tuesday, January 31, 2017, 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 Jeff Murphy was in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle 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 (17-042) of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [January 27, 2017](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

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 17	36	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the January 24, 2017 minutes
Motion 17	37	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Greg Hite
Motion 17	38	To approve the distribution of the 2017 Special Parks & Recreation Fund as presented with the requirement that BPOE Lodge provide proof that they are still in operation
Motion 17	39	To approve the distribution of the 2017 Elderly Fund based on the 2016 Award Amounts with the requirement that BPOE Lodge provide proof that they are still in operation

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Motion 17	40	To approve the distribution of 2017 Historical Fund based on the 2016 Award Amounts
Motion 17	41	To approve the transfer of \$115,000 from the General Fund to the Risk Management Fund

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Ed Fields, Noxious Weed Director presenting the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Report. Mr. Fields stated the last few months he has been putting together reports for the State. He went through the report with the Commission and explained the work he has been doing and the chemicals used. He also went through the graph on chemicals sold through his department. Mr. Fields stated that he is very happy with the public using the services offered through the Noxious Weed Department. The Commissioners discussed with Mr. Fields the budget for his department.

On motion (17-043) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report for 2016.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Fields also handed out the 2017 Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan and went through the plan with the Commissioners.

On motion (17-044) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve the 2017 Crawford County Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed

Mr. Fields stated that Fort Scott Middle School has requested that he do a presentation at the school as Bourbon County does not have an active Noxious Weed Director.

Mr. Fields informed the Commissioners that he is the Educational Officer for the State this year and in August of 2018 Crawford County will be the host county for the summer conference for the Kansas Weed Directors Association.

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

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Item One: Mr. Chris Weiner, Girard City Administrator addressed the Commission in reference to the City sewer lines and stated it would be very costly to hook the Fairgrounds to the City sewer. He discussed with the Commissioners the problems with the current sewage system at the fairgrounds and the possible solutions to the problem. He discussed bar screens to stop debris for both the jail and the fairgrounds. Mr. Weiner discussed the costs involved for the City. The Commissioners and Mr. Weiner felt that this should be discussed as the fair board develops their plans for that sewage system.

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated that he contacted the representatives from Blue Cross and Blue Shield and the Gallagher Group and they will be attending the Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

Item Two: Mr. Wood stated that Ms. Liz Hart will be sending out announcements to the Road & Bridge employees about the Safety Meeting scheduled for February 22, 2017.

Item Three: Mr. Wood asked about the upcoming Quarterly Meeting and Mr. Pyle stated it will be held on March 16, 2017 in Labette County. The Commissioners and Mr. Pyle discussed a date for the City/County Luncheon.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle discussed the distribution of the 2017 Special Alcohol Funds and spoke about the wording on Resolution #93-118. He said that Mr. Rick Pfeiffer will attend the meeting next Friday to discuss this resolution.

Item Two: Mr. Murphy asked about the status of the demolition of the Angels Among Us building at the Fairgrounds and Mr. Wood stated that the building is down and the horse barn has also been torn down. Mr. Murphy also asked about the status of the dump truck bids.

Item Three: Mr. Murphy stated that he will be gone to a conference on Friday, February 3, 2017 and he will also not be in attendance on February 10th, 14th & 17th. Mr. Wood stated that he will also not be in attendance on February 14. It was decided to cancel the Commission meeting on February 14, 2017.

Mr. Pyle stated that he will contact Mr. Pfeiffer and have him attend the meeting on February 7 instead of February 3.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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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 [January 31, 2017](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:18 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

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.

Don Pyle

County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken BKW 1/31/17 11:18 AM/amended BKW 2/2/17 3:10 PM](#)