

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2017, **FIFTY-SECOND** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS **Thursday, July 13, 2017, 8:00 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. Commissioners Tom Moody and Jeff Murphy were 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 (17-241) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **July 11, 2017** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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 17	239	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the July 7, 2017 minutes
Motion 17	240	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

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PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS MESSAGES FROM THE COUNTY LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

Item One: Ms. Cristi Mitchell, Blue Cross and Blue Shield Representative addressed the Commission. Ms. Mitchell handed out information to the Commissioners including utilization report and preliminary renewal information. She explained the renewal information and projected increases for next year. She informed the Commissioners on how the increases were arrived at by Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Ms. Mitchell explained underage and overage claims, administrative fees and stop loss premiums. There was a discussion on emergency room co pays and primary care physicians. Ms. Mitchell will gather more information that the Commissioners requested and return later in the meeting.

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Matt West, Public Works Director for the City of Girard and Crawford County Fair Board Member, addressed the Commission. Mr. West stated that he is also a member of the Crawford County Fair Board. Commissioner Murphy requested that Mr. West inform the Commissioners on what the County needs to do to have the fairgrounds finished by August 1. Mr. West stated that the Angels Among Us building is 95% complete and explained what is needed to be done to complete it. He said that the new bathroom/shower facility is as complete as it will be for this year's fair. Mr. West and Commissioner Murphy discussed the sewer lagoon project. There was a discussion on the few items that still need to be worked on to have the fairgrounds ready by August 1.

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC continued.

Item Two: Ms. Mary Kay Caldwell, SEK Humane Society thanked the Commissioners for the rock that was sent to the shelter. She stated that she is here to request the County's assistance on some projects for the Humane Society. Ms. Caldwell discussed a major flooding issue on the property and in the shelter's building. Mr. Ron Albertini, County Surveyor stated that he has looked at the flooding area and explained why the flooding is taking place. The plumber that works for the Humane Society explained some issues that are caused by the flooding. Ms. Kelci Cooper, Shelter Manager, introduced herself and stated that with heavy rains the society has to close due to flooding inside the building. There was a discussion on what needs to be done to take care of the issue. There was also a discussion on expanding the sewer lagoon at the facility. Ms. Caldwell asked the Commissioners for assistance with the mowing and there was a discussion on the walking trail and the mowing needed on the trail.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Randy Chiartano and Charles Sullivan with CFS Engineers addressed the Commission. Mr. Sullivan spoke to the Commissioners and stated that he is the inspector for the Centennial Street Bridge Project. Mr. Sullivan explained the progress of the contractor, Mission Construction Company and stated that he feels the crew that Mission has on this project is too small for this job. Mr. Sullivan stated that he would like the

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Commissioners to send a letter to Mission Construction Company stating that the inspector feels that the crew they have is inadequate for this type of project. There was a discussion on the change order that is being presented today that is awarding the construction company an extra 11 days. The Commissioners would like to have a representative from Mission Construction address the Commission on Monday and Mr. Murphy requested that Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Chiartano also be present. Mr. Sullivan presented the Change Order and explained the order to the Commissioners.

On motion (17-242) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve Change Order No 1 on Contract No. CF&S No. 17-5003 Crawford County Bridge Replacement Bridge No. 690 for Mission Construction Co. and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Chiartano discussed the Off-System Bridge program for Fiscal Year 2019. He stated that the grant is an 80/20 match for up to \$1,000,000 per project and the Bureau has a list of the county's bridges and the State sent a list of 5 suggested bridges. Mr. Chiartano stated that CFS Engineers turned in the paper work for the program for 4 bridges which are all in Commission District #1. Mr. Chiartano stated that he and Commissioner Murphy went to look at all the bridges that were listed by the state. Mr. Chiartano discussed a bridge in Cato that needs work as well.

Item Three: Mr. Greg Hite, Shop Foreman stated that Jason Cleaver from Cleaver Farm & Home contacted him and stated that his company delivered the wrong size metal culverts to Crawford County in March. Mr. Hite had prices of what was delivered and what was actually ordered. It was decided to have Cleaver Farm & Home deliver the 12" metal culverts and pick up the 24" metal culverts.

Item Four: Mr. Jason VanBecelaere addressed the Commissioners and stated that the bridge in Cato does not qualify for FEMA funding as the bridge was already washed out before the heavy rains. Mr. VanBecelaere stated that FEMA representatives will be here sometime next week to gather the information on the rock for the roads that were washed out in the heavy rains. Mr. VanBecelaere stated that he is working on the rock tickets. There was a discussion about a retirement reception for Mr. Eldon Bedene. Mr. VanBecelaere stated that he will be holding a reception for Mr. Bedene on July 17, 2017, from 9:00 AM until 12:00 Noon at the Emergency Management office. He stated that he and Mr. Bedene will come to the Commission Meeting at 10:00 AM on that day so the Commissioners may present Mr. Bedene with a plaque.

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

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Item One: Mr. Murphy stated that he was contacted by Mr. Darin Anderson, Walnut City Mayor in reference to installing a culvert and putting concrete on an intersection in the city where the road goes into Beachner Elevator. He stated that the city would like the county to assist and the City of Walnut will pay for all materials. Mr. Murphy stated it is a 12" culvert and the project should not take more than one day to complete. The Commissioners all agreed to assist the City of Walnut with this project.

Item Two: Mr. Wood discussed a new mechanic truck and stated he would like more work done out in the field. He also discussed the reclaimer, a new track hoe and a new brush cutter.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Mr. Jim Emerson requested an executive session to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney Client Relationship

On motion (17-243) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss matters 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, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:35 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:43 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Mr. Carl Wood requested an executive session to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney Client Relationship.

On motion (17-244) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney Client Relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Emergency Management Director Jason VanBecelaere.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:44 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:00 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC continued.

Item One continued: Ms. Cristi Mitchell, Blue Cross and Blue Shield representative readdressed the Commissioners. Ms. Mitchell gave the Commissioners information on a fully insured policy and explained how it works and how the premiums are paid. She discussed other options in health insurance plans.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: July 17, 2017 – 9:00 AM Canvass Ballots from the City of Pittsburg Special Sales Tax Election with the Regular Session immediately following the canvass.

Item Two: July 21, 2017 – 10:00 AM Opening of bids on 2 Road & Bridge Department Buildings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: July 14, 2017 – Regular Session of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners is cancelled.

Item Two: July 18, 2017 – Regular Session of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners is cancelled.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to adjourn the [July 13, 2017](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:29 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.

Don Pyle
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken BKW 7/13/17 11:30 AM/amended BKW 7/14/17 12:15 PM](#)