

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2022, FIFTY-SECOND MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS, Tuesday, July 26, 2022, 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 Bruce Blair and Jeremy Johnson were in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker 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 (22-259)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the July 22, 2022 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

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 22	253	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the July 19, 2022 minutes
Motion 22	254	To approve the minimum bids for the properties to be sold at the Crawford County Tax Foreclosure Sale on July 29, 2022 at 1:00 PM on the 3rd Floor of the Courthouse
Motion 22	255	To approve issuing a burn ban for Crawford County effective immediately until rescinded
Motion 22	256	To approve the bids from Evans Motors and to purchase a 2013 Ford F350 4x4 and a 2014 Ford F350 4x4

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Motion 22	257	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:43 AM
Motion 22	258	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 County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:59 AM

### UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

#### PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

#### MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

#### MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

**Item One:** Sheriff Danny Smith addressed the Commissioners and stated that there have been street signs in the county stolen or damaged. He wanted to remind the public that with the theft of signs a person can be charged with criminal damage or theft and depending on the cost of the sign or theft of multiple signs it could be a felony. He also stated that if a sign is stolen and missing like a stop sign or railroad crossing sign it could result in someone getting injured or killed. Sheriff Smith asked that whoever is stealing the signs to please stop as it could result in major consequences. Commissioner Blair stated that the safety issue is a big problem.

#### MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

#### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

#### NEW BUSINESS:

**Item One:** County Counselor Jim Emerson presented the Resolution #2022-007, Authority to Award Contract Commitment of County Funds for Project Number 019 C-5067-01 HSIP C496(222). He explained that this is through the HRRR project and the project is 4 miles on Lee Hurt (260<sup>th</sup> St) from Hwy 126 to Hwy 160 and is a continuation of a project done a couple of years ago from Hwy 171 to Hwy 126. He stated that KDOT has accepted the bid on the project and the low bid was from B&B Bridge Co LLC, St. Paul KS in the amount of \$219,942. He stated that the county matching funds are \$25,000.

**On motion (22-260)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adopt Resolution #2022-007, the Authority to Award Contract Commitment of County Funds for Project Number 019 C-5067-01 HSIP C496(222).

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

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**Item Two:** Mr. Emerson addressed an ARPA funding draw down request. He presented the Commissioners with the requests and explained what the requests are for.

**On motion (22-261)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the ARPA funding draw down request.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Three:** Mr. Emerson stated that there will be a work session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner on August 12, 2022 at 9:00 to discuss ARPA Child Care Funding.

**Item Four:** Mr. Emerson said that Tuesday, August 2, 2022 is the 2022 Primary Election Day and it would be beneficial to the County Clerk's Office to cancel the Commission Meeting on that day due to the overwhelming amount of work that is required of the office on that day.

**On motion (22-262)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to cancel the Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners on August 2, 2022 due to the 2022 Primary Election Day.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Five:** Commissioner Johnson stated that that the Southeast Kansas Recycling Center has been awarded the grant for the waste oil heaters that they had applied for. There was a discussion on where the oil heaters will be located at the center. He also discussed the golf tournament the center hosts that will be held on September 10, 2022 at Countryside Golf Course. The Commissioners discussed being a sponsor for the tournament and Commissioner Johnson will get additional information on this.

**Item Six:** Commissioner Johnson discussed dust control and stated there were a couple of places missed. The Commissioners discussed getting another load to take care of the areas that were missed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Item One:** Mr. Emerson stated that the Crawford County Tax Foreclosure Sale will be held on July 29, 2022 at 1:00 PM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Courthouse in the Courtroom.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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**Item One:** Commissioner Tom Moody requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (22-263)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:37 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:17 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:30 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

**Item Two:** County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (22-264)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the IT Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and IT Director Brandon Spaur and to reconvene by 10:46 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:31 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:43 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

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

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

**Item One: July 29, 2022 – 9:00 AM** Work Session to discuss the 2023 County Budget.

**Item Two: August 12, 2022 – 9:00 AM** Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner to discuss ARPA child care funding.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Item One: July 29, 2022 –** Crawford County Tax Foreclosure Sale at 1:00 PM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Courthouse in the Courtroom.

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**Item Two: August 2, 2022** – 2022 Primary Election Day. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

**Item Three: August 2, 2022** – The Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners is cancelled due to Election Day.

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

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [July 26, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:44 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

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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**Lisa Lusker**  
County Clerk

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

[Taken BKW 7/26/2022 10:44 AM/amended BKW 7/27/2022 10:13 AM](#)