

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2023, FORTY-FOURTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS. Tuesday, June 13, 2023 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 Bruce Blair served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Carl Wood were in attendance.

Deputy County Clerk Bobbi Wicker and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**On motion (23-251)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the June 9, 2023 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair 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 23	243	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the June 6, 2023 minutes
Motion 23	244	To adopt Resolution #2023-011, A Resolution Supporting the Expansion of the Existing US 69 Bypass to a Four-Lane Bypass & Rescinding Previous Inconsistent Resolutions
Motion 23	245	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss animals at large and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Sheriff Danny Smith and to reconvene by 10:37 AM
Motion 23	246	To approve the purchase of a 2025 International HV507 Dump Truck from Rush Truck Center and authorize the Chairman

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Motion 23	247	To approve the request from Mental Health Director Heather Spaur for \$28,756.00 from the Opioid Settlement fund for the MAT program
Motion 23	248	To approve publication of the Notice to Bidders for sealed bids for the removal of refuse for the period beginning August 1, 2023 and ending July 31, 2024 from specific County facilities with a bid opening date of Friday, June 30, 2023 at 10:00 AM
Motion 23	249	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 to discuss the tax sale and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:46 AM
Motion 23	250	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss the Appraiser's Office under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Appraiser Zach Edwards and to reconvene by 11:00 AM

### UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

**PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD**  
**MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS**  
**MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS**  
**MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS**  
**MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**  
**MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC**  
**NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Commissioner Wood gave an update on asphaltting on his district.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Counselor Jim Emerson discussed the Opioid Settlement Fund. He explained that these monies will be handled the same as ARPA funding and receipts will need to be turned in for reimbursement. He stated that each year he must provide the Kansas Attorney General with a report on how the settlement money was spent.

**Item Two:** Mr. Emerson discussed health insurance coverage for next year. He explained that in July a work session will be held with Bukaty Company, the counties consulting firm to discuss what the first six months of the year looked like and the renewal premium for next year. Mr. Emerson spoke about the stop loss.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

**On motion (23-252)** of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more

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than 20 minutes to discuss the employees under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:30 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood, and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

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

**Item Two:** Commissioner Carl Wood requested an executive session for 45 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

**On motion (23-253)** of Commissioner Blair 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 45 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss the Road & Bridge Department and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:05 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:20 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:43 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

**Item Three:** IT Director Brandon Spaur requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

**On motion (23-254)** of Commissioner Blair 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 to discuss security and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and IT Director Brandon Spaur and to reconvene by 11:00 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:45 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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## UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FUTURE BUSINESS:

**Item One: June 16, 2023** – County Grant Writer Gus Brunetti discussing FEMA Grant.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Item One: June 19, 2023** – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Juneteenth Holiday.

**Item Two: June 20, 2023** – Retirement Reception for Deputy County Appraiser John Macary from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and more than Commissioner may be in attendance.

Commissioner Wood stated that he will be attending the Pittsburg City Commission meeting tonight and more than one County Commissioner may be in attendance.

## UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [June 13, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:02 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair 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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**Bobbi Wicker**

Deputy County Clerk

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

Taken BKW 6/13/2023 11:02 AM/amended BKW 06/15/2023 11:00 AM