

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2017, FORTY-FIFTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS Friday, June 16, 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. 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 (17-214) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **June 13, 2017** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers **574382 to 574605 dated June 15, 2017 in the total amount of \$295,110.46**, and
3. 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	207	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 90 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, candidates for the Road & Bridge Office Director's Position and County Counselor Jim Emerson
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Motion 17	208	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the June 9, 2017 minutes
Motion 17	209	To approve the agreement between BNSF Railway Company, the County of Crawford, Kansas and the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas, relative to the construction and maintenance of Highway Crossing Signals under Section 130, United States Code #23 for Project No. 19 X-3002-01; HSIP-X300 (201) at the intersection of 600 th Avenue in Section 31, Township 29 South, Range 24 East, Crawford County, Kansas and Authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 17	210	To approve the agreement between BNSF Railway Company, the County of Crawford, Kansas and the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas, relative to the construction and maintenance of Highway Crossing Signals under Section 130, United States Code #23 for Project No. 19 X-3003-01; HSIP-X300 (301) at the intersection of 570 th Avenue in Section 18, Township 30 South, Range 24 East, Crawford County, Kansas and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 17	211	To approve the agreement between BNSF Railway Company, the County of Crawford, Kansas and the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas, relative to the construction and maintenance of Highway Crossing Signals under Section 130, United States Code #23 for Project No. 19 X-3004-01; HSIP-X300 (401) at the intersection of 540 th Avenue in Section 31, Township 30 South, Range 24 East, Crawford County, Kansas and Authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 17	212	To recess this open session for a period of 10 minutes
Motion 17	213	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, a candidate for the Road & Bridge Office Director's Position and County Counselor Jim Emerson

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

- PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS**
- MESSAGES FROM THE COUNTY LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH**
- MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**
- MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC**
- MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Item One: Mr. Rick Pfeiffer, Executive Director of Health, Mental Health & Juvenile Services addressed the Commission in reference to fire damage at Apartment F in Oak Center Apartments Complex. Mr. Pfeiffer stated that he has a settlement request from EMC insurance for just under \$50,000 for the fire damage. Mr. Pfeiffer stated that building is owned by Crawford County and is insured under the County's EMC Policy but Mental Health pays the premium. He explained that since the building is owned and insured under the County he would like to have the Commissioners approval on the settlement amount being offered. Mr. Pfeiffer stated that he is happy with the settlement. He explained the plans for rehabbing the apartment and explained that his plans will cost about \$20,000 to \$25,000 more than the amount of the proposed insurance settlement. Mr. Pfeiffer discussed settling with the insurance company versus dropping the claim

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entirely and having Mental Health absorb the costs to rehab the apartment. Mr. Moody stated that he feels that if there is a claim we need to continue and work through the entire claim. Mr. Pfeiffer answered the Commissioners that the fire took place on March 6, 2017. Mr. Wood asked about the additional costs and why the insurance isn't covering this. Mr. Pfeiffer explained that the additional costs are due to him wanting to take the space down to the studs while the insurance company wants to leave some of the sheet rock up and seal it. Mr. Wood would like County Counselor Jim Emerson to look over the insurance policy on this building and review the coverage. Mr. Moody would also like an estimate to repair the damages. The Commissioners and Mr. Pfeiffer decided they will revisit the issue when the requested information is complete.

Item Two: Mr. Pfeiffer addressed changes to the phone and internet systems in some of his departments office buildings. He will report to the Commissioners on the service and savings through the new company that he chose to work with.

Item Three: Mr. Pfeiffer stated that the book "The Trail of the Warrior" has been completed. He explained that it is a work of fiction based of real life that he has written. He stated that the sale of this book is to generate money for the new ATC facility and that 100% of the profits for the next 2 ½ years have been designated to go to FACT, Inc. which is a 501c3, non-profit organization used to help fund Mental Health Projects in Crawford County. Mr. Pfeiffer explained what was currently taking place and how the book will be published, advertised and sold. He stated that the goal is to make \$1,000,000 in 2 ½ years. Mr. Pfeiffer said that after 2 ½ years a long term bequeathment will be set up to Fact, Inc. He discussed setting up a fund to treat veterans with addictions and other issues. Mr. Pfeiffer explained the business advisory group and requested that a member of the Board of County Commissioners be a member of this group. He informed the Commissioners that Ms. Heather Spaur is the FACT, Inc. Director of Personnel & Marketing and that she will be on the business advisory group. Mr. Pfeiffer stated that he is the copyright holder for the book. Mr. Moody volunteered to serve on the business advisory board. There was a discussion on bonding for the building. Ms. Spaur explained the marketing side of this operation.

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

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated that he spoke to Girard City Administrator Chris Weiner and he will be in attendance at the Tuesday, July 20, 2017 meeting. The Commissioners requested that Mr. Pyle contact Mr. Weiner and have him attend the meeting on July 23, 2017 due to a full agenda on June 20.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated he found the last few weeks of bridge inspection reports on the Centennial bridge and he gave them to the Commissioners to review. Mr. Emerson also stated that the inspection reports will now come in weekly directly to his email and he will forward them on to the Commissioners.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson addressed an invitation to a Safe House Event. The Commissioner stated that they have received the invitation.

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Item Four: Mr. Murphy stated that he and Mr. Brad Stroud, Live Well Crawford County Director viewed the bike and walking trails in Allen County. He showed pictures of the trails. Mr. Murphy also explained how some of the trails were constructed and the materials that were used.

Item Five: Mr. Murphy gave an update on the fair grounds and stated that yesterday Radell Construction had laid over 100 feet of 6" line and tied the new bathroom into it. He said that Radell Construction is not working today but will be back out there on Monday. He also spoke about finishing the lagoon.

Item Six: Mr. Wood addressed Health Insurance. There was a lengthy discussion on claims and raising employee contributions. They will discuss this issue again at a later date.

Item Seven: Mr. Wood discussed track hoes and also discussed the current road work begin done.

Item Eight: Mr. Pyle gave information about the reception for the new Frontenac City Administrator on Monday, June 19, 2017 from 5 PM to 6 PM at the City of Frontenac Meeting Hall at 200 E McKay, Frontenac. The Commissioners may be in attendance.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (17-215) 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 15 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel 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 11:34 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:47 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

The Commissioners took a 10-minute recess.

Item Two: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel.

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On motion (17-216) 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 30 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and a candidate for the Road & Bridge Office Director's Position.

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 12:02 PM and reconvened the Open Session 12:20 PM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: June 20, 2017 – 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM Budget Work Session with Sheriff Dan Peak.

Item Two: June 20, 2017 – 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Work Session with Live Well Crawford County Director Brad Stroud to discuss the Watco Trail.

Item Three: June 20, 2017 – 10:00 AM to 10:20 AM Budget Work Session with Maintenance Supervisor Robert Gorentz.

Item Four: June 20, 2017 – The Regular Session will begin at 10:20 AM.

Item Five: June 20, 2017 – Mr. Mac Young, District Court Administrator presenting District Court Budget.

Item Six: June 20, 2017 – Representative from the Gallagher Group addressing health insurance.

Item Seven: June 23, 2017 – Mr. Chris Weiner, Girard City Administrator.

Item Eight: June 23, 2017 – IMA Consulting with a presentation health insurance alternatives.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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 [June 16, 2017](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 12:35 PM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

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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 06/16/17 12:35 PM/amended BKW 6/19/17 1:00 PM](#)