

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2017, [NINETEENTH MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS [Tuesday, March 14, 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 (17-101) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [March 10, 2017](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

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	93	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the March 7, 2017 minutes
Motion 17	94	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 and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Sheriff Dan Peak
Motion 17	95	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Noxious Weed Director Ed Fields

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Motion 17	96	To approve the proposal from Cook, Flatt & Strobel Engineers for the 2017 Annual Bridge Inspection
Motion 17	97	To approve the Consent for Right of Entry from KDHE Mined Land Conservation and Authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 17	98	To approve the Tax Roll Correction, correcting an error in the assessing of Personal Property owned by Carol Cook and to request an abatement in the amount of \$114.58 from the 2015 tax rolls and Authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 17	99	To appoint Mr. Scott Grazl as Deputy Coroner for Labette County and Mr. Ben Cochran as Death Investigator for Labette County
Motion 17	100	To appoint Ms. Martha Murphy to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board for another 3 year term ending 3/28/2020 and to Authorize the Chairman to sign

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

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

Item One: Mr. Jim Hanni with AAA Insurance presenting the Platinum Award for Traffic Safety to the Crawford County Sheriff's Office for 2016. Mr. Hanni stated that this is the 6th consecutive time for the Crawford County Sheriff's Office to qualify for a AAA National Community Traffic Safety Award. He stated that Crawford County is one of only four Sheriff's Departments in the State of Kansas to qualify for the award at the platinum level out of 104 counties in the State. Mr. Hanni explained that this is the 4th platinum award that Crawford County Sheriff's Office has received in the 6 years they have qualified for the awards. He stated that the platinum award is the highest traffic safety award that AAA can present to any law enforcement agency. He spoke about the different programs the Sheriff's Department offers and the how the statistics have dropped over a 5 year period on traffic crimes in the County. Mr. Hanni presented the award to Undersheriff Steve Geier, Sergeant Doug Morrison and Sergeant Chris Wilson. The Commissioners congratulated the officers and their department on a job well done.

Item Two: Mr. Ron Strahan presented the Commissioners with a letter and he requested that they read the letter later.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. John Macary and Mr. Zach Edwards, Crawford County Appraiser's Office, addressed Change of Value Notices. Mr. Macary stated that the notices were mailed on Wednesday March 8, 2017. He said that the Appraiser's staff did an excellent job of working together and getting the notices out much earlier than in the past. Mr. Macary explained that the landowner has 30 days to appeal the values and the last day to appeal is April 7, 2017. Mr. Macary and Mr. Edwards explained that agriculture land value, which is set by the State of Kansas Property Valuation Division, increased an average of 12% and that residential and commercial property remained stable. Mr. Macary also explained that some residential and commercial property values can change due to market value, sales and new construction. He stated that any landowner has a right

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to call their office and the staff will work with them in any way they can and they are more than happy to try to help them. Mr. Macary answered questions Mr. Wood had on agriculture land values and the different values due to soil types. There was a short discussion on the property tax lid. Mr. Murphy informed Mr. Macary that on Friday, March 17, 2017 there is a work session scheduled to discuss the proposed county neighborhood revitalization plan and felt that it would be beneficial for the Appraiser's office to be represented at this meeting. The Commissioners explained the plans for neighbor revitalization to Mr. Macary and Mr. Edwards. Mr. Pyle said that with Neighborhood Revitalization, the tax savings depend on the county's levy and whether or not the school districts join the plan.

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2017 AG Value Changes

Crawford	2017 Values					2016						
	DR	NG	TG			DR	NG	TG				
8050	117	116	116		8050,	101	107	107		0.158	0.084	0.084
8100	212	151	151		8100,	191	140	140		0.110	0.079	0.079
8101	355	151	151		8101,	321	140	140		0.106	0.079	0.079
8150	418	151	151		8150,	374	136	136		0.118	0.110	0.110
8160	355	116	116		8160,	321	107	107		0.106	0.084	0.084
8180	410	151	151		8180,	368	136	136		0.114	0.110	0.110
8200	260	116	116		8200,	231	107	107		0.126	0.084	0.084
8240	449	151	151		8240,	404	140	140		0.111	0.079	0.079
8241	307	151	151		8241,	274	140	140		0.120	0.079	0.079
8300	268	151	151		8300,	247	136	136		0.085	0.110	0.110
8302	449	151	151		8302,	401	136	136		0.120	0.110	0.110
8460	370	64	64		8460,	331	56	56		0.118	0.143	0.143
8621	165	82	82		8621,	149	73	73		0.107	0.123	0.123
8622	149	82	82		8622,	133	73	73		0.120	0.123	0.123
8623	149	82	82		8623,	127	73	73		0.173	0.123	0.123
8624	102	82	82		8624,	86	73	73		0.186	0.123	0.123
8630	339	64	64		8630,	310	66	66		0.094	-0.030	-0.030
8643	236	82	82		8643,	218	73	73		0.083	0.123	0.123
8657	38	47	47		8657,	29	39	39		0.310	0.205	0.205
8670	228	64	64	26, 26	8670,	198	22	22		0.152	1.900	1.900
8679	339	82	82		8679,	303	73	73		0.119	0.123	0.123
8681	315	82	82		8681,	280	73	73		0.125	0.123	0.123
8683	315	82	82		8683,	282	73	73		0.117	0.123	0.123
8685	276	82	82		8685,	245	73	73		0.127	0.123	0.123
8693	268	64	64		8693,	235	56	56		0.140	0.143	0.143
8705	363	82	82		8705,	324	73	73		0.120	0.123	0.123
8733	204	64	64		8733,	168	56	56		0.214	0.143	0.143
8735	102	64	64		8735,	81	56	56		0.259	0.143	0.143
8749	38	64	64		8749,	20	56	56		0.900	0.143	0.143
8755	23	64	64		8755,	10	56	56		1.300	0.143	0.143
8761	10	64	64		8761,	10	56	56		0.000	0.143	0.143
8771	24	10	64	24, 24	8771,	20	20	20		0.500	2.200	2.200
8775	378	64	64		8775,	337	56	56		0.122	0.143	0.143
8797	315	82	82		8797,	285	73	73		0.105	0.123	0.123
8799	299	82	82		8799,	270	73	73		0.107	0.123	0.123
8801	236	82	82		8801,	209	71	71		0.129	0.155	0.155
8863	363	64	64		8863,	324	56	56		0.120	0.143	0.143
8864	355	64	64		8864,	317	56	56		0.120	0.143	0.143
8865	339	64	64		8865,	303	56	56		0.119	0.143	0.143
8870	10	64	64		8870,	10	56	56		0.000	0.143	0.143
8873	10	64	64		8873,	10	56	56		0.000	0.143	0.143
8874	10	64	64		8874,	10	56	56		0.000	0.143	0.143
8875	10	64	64		8875,	10	56	56		0.000	0.143	0.143

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8885	10	13	13		8885,	10	11	11		0.000	0.182	0.182	
8990	355	64	64		8990,	317	56	56		0.120	0.143	0.143	
8991	323	64	64		8991,	290	56	56		0.114	0.143	0.143	
8992	291	64	64		8992,	263	56	56		0.106	0.143	0.143	
9211	54	38	38		9211,	43	31	31		0.256	0.226	0.226	
9971	10	10	10		9971,	10	10	10		0.000	0.000	0.000	
9976	10	10	10		9976,	10	10	10		0.000	0.000	0.000	
9986	10	10	10		9986,	10	10	10		0.000	0.000	0.000	
9999	10	10	10		9999,	10	10	10		0.000	0.000	0.000	
MT850B	236	82	82		MT850B,	218	73	73		0.083	0.123	0.123	
MT851B	299	82	82		MT851B,	270	73	73		0.107	0.123	0.123	
MT855B	236	82	82		MT855B,	209	71	71		0.129	0.155	0.155	
MT857C	10	13	13		MT857C,	10	11	11		0.000	0.182	0.182	
WST	10	10	10		WST,	10	10	10		0.000	0.000	0.000	
					WAST,	10	10	10					
										AVG:	0.12765	0.184	0.18401

Item Two: Mr. Troy Graham, Zoning Administrator addressed the tire pick up program being sponsored by KDHE. Mr. Graham wanted to set a date to hold this program on a Saturday. Mr. Graham asked if April 8, 2017 will be agreeable with the Commissioners for the program to be held. He stated that the tire pickup will be held at the Freeto Building in Pittsburg and someone will be needed to oversee the number of tires being brought in per vehicle and to throw the tires in a pile. Mr. Graham stated that someone from Champlin will pick up the tires. Mr. Graham stated he will be present to verify that participants are Crawford County Residents and that they are only bringing the allowed number of tires. He also stated that the State has requested that he take pictures. There was a discussion on how to verify that the participants are residents of Crawford County and also discussed how to advertise the program to make the public aware of it. The Commissioners authorized Mr. Graham to go ahead and make plans for the program and they will get the manpower there.

Mr. Graham stated that there will be a Zoning meeting on Thursday, March 16, 2017 in the County Commissioner Room and this meeting is to finalize the new Zoning Regulations.

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

Item One: Mr. Don Pyle stated that the polls are opened today from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm for the USD 250 School Bond Election. He stated that there were approximately 600 voters processed at the Advanced Voting Center at the mall and approximately 400 advanced ballots by mail that have been received.

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Item Two: Mr. Pyle stated that he ordered and received a manual from Kansas League of Municipalities with information on Economic Development and Neighborhood Revitalization.

Item Three: Mr. Murphy stated a City of McCune councilperson contacted him about overlays on the roads in McCune. He said that the City liked what was done last year and would like to do it again this year but would prefer to have it done in the spring instead of the fall. The Commissioners felt that the county work needs to be done first and then they have no problems with moving on to other projects.

Item Four: Mr. Wood stated the belly dump is out and loaded and it is going to work well. He stated that he would like the other two district foremen to come and look at it.

Item Five: Mr. Wood addressed the dump truck bids and Mr. Emerson stated that he has not heard back from the Company yet. Mr. Wood and the other Commissioners discussed the Track Hoe cab being too small.

Item Six: Mr. Wood stated that he had received only one complaint on the Change of Value Notices that were mailed out last week.

Item Seven: Mr. Wood spoke about an expansion at the C-Tech building.

Item Eight: The Commissioners discussed the opening of the Kansas Crossing Casino. Mr. Murphy asked about the status of the stop lights in that area. The Commissioners discussed traffic signals in that area of the casino and the problems with traffic. The Commissioners discussed emergency vehicles and which law enforcement agency would have jurisdiction in the area. Mr. Murphy felt that an agreement needed to be in writing on the responsibility of the law enforcement agencies. The Commissioners discussed having a work session to address these issues.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated that he and Mr. Murphy will be attending a KAC budgeting workshop on Friday, March 24, 2017 in Eldorado, Kansas and they will not be present at the Commission meeting on that day.

Item Two: Mr. Murphy stated that he attended the Fair Board meeting and discussed the use of County Equipment in constructing the new sewer system plan. He stated that the Fair Board would like the county to construct a pad for the new bathrooms so they can begin construction. Mr. Murphy stated that Mr. Albertini will stake out the area for the bathrooms. The Commissioners discussed the work on the sewer system and the use of county equipment operators and county machinery and the work schedule. Mr. Murphy discussed future events and having the Convention and Visitors' Bureau being the contact. The other Commissioners agreed that Mr. BJ Harris, CVB Executive Director, would be an excellent contact for Fairground events. The Commissioners discussed getting assistance from the City of Girard. The Commissioners discussed the upkeep on the grounds. The Commissioners scheduled a work session on March 27, 2017, to discuss how the work at the Fair Grounds can be split up.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (17-102) of Commissioner Wood 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 and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:14 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:20 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: March 17, 2017 – 9:00 AM Work Session to discuss County Neighborhood Revitalization.

Item Two: March 20, 2017 – Meeting of the Board of Canvassers to canvass the votes for the 2017 USD 250 Bond Election followed by the Regular Commission Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: March 16, 2017 – SEK Quarterly Meeting hosted by Labette County in Oswego. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

Item Two: March 21, 2017 – The Regular Session on the Board of County 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 [March 14, 2017](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:21 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

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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 3/14/2017](#)