

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2019, [THIRTY-SECOND](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS **Friday, May 10, 2019 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 Don Pyle 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 (19-145)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **May 7, 2019** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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 19	142	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the May 3, 2019 minutes
Motion 19	143	To approve the Motion of Recommendation to approve a short plat to be known as "Vecino Loco" and to rezone the property from Agriculture to rural Residential and to include a variance of a fifty-foot right of way for the private road as recommended by the Crawford County Planning and Zoning Board
Motion 19	144	To approve the Proclamation proclaiming the week of May 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 through May 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 as Emergency Medical Services Week in Crawford County

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### UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

**Item One:** Mr. Troy Graham, Zoning Administrator presented Resolution #2019-013, A Resolution to accept and grant the proposed development to be known as “Vecino Loco” and to accept and grant the amendment of zoning from Agriculture to Rural Residential. Mr. Graham stated that this property is being platted by Mr. Patrick Crossland. Mr. Graham explained the process of how plats are accepted and approved by the Zoning Board. He also explained that the private road in this plat will be taken care of by the landowners and the county has nothing to do with the road. He explained that if a road in a plat is going to be a county road, specs must be followed before it can be classified as a county road and that no building permits can be issued until the specs are met. Commissioner Moody stated that the county will go out and inspect the road to make sure it is up to county standards before accepting the road.

**On motion (19-146)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adopt Resolution #2019-013, A Resolution to accept and grant the proposed development to be known as “Vecino Loco” and to accept and grant the amendment of zoning from Agriculture to Rural Residential for the proposed development located in a portion of Government Lot 2 in Section Two (2), Township Thirty One (31) South, Range Twenty Five (25) East, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Sgt. Scott Tyrell, Crawford County Sheriff’s Department, presenting the Kansas Department of Transportation Highway Safety Project Agreement with a Government Agency Special Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant between the Department of Transportation for the State of Kansas and Sheriff Danny Smith Crawford County Sheriff’s Office in the amount of \$6,000. Mr. Tyrell stated the Sheriff’s Department has received this grant for quite a few years and it is known as the Click it or Ticket program. He explained how the grant process works and that the grant pays the overtime for officers that take part in the program. He stated that there are two programs for this grant, Click It or Ticket and DUI Enforcement and there are 7 to 8 officers that take part in the programs.

**On motion (19-147)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the Kansas Department of Transportation Highway Safety Project Agreement with a Government Agency Special Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant between the Department of Transportation for the State of Kansas and Sheriff Danny Smith and the Crawford County Sheriff’s Office in the amount of \$6,000 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

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Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### **MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC**

**Item One:** Mr. Casey Brown, Catholic Charities Inc. SEKS Program Director presenting a Kansas Resources Corporation 2019 Kansas Emergency Solutions Grant Application in the amount of \$258,000 for Catholic Charities, Inc. Mr. Brown stated that due to changes Catholic Charities can apply separately for this grant. He explained that this grant will encompass the entire Southeast Kansas region of 11 counties. County Counselor Jim Emerson explained that the county sponsors this same grant through Safehouse in which the county is a pass through for the funds. Mr. Emerson stated that the county has no responsibility with this grant through Catholic Charities and they only want to make the commission aware that this program is taking place and they want the Commission's approval of the grant. Mr. Brown explained that these grant funds will be used to help individuals and families get into permanent housing and it will provide funds for rent and utilities for up to a year or until the housing situation is stable.

**On motion (19-148)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation 2019 Kansas Emergency Solutions Grant Application in the amount of \$258,000 for Catholic Charities, Inc. and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

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

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle stated that he contacted Mr. Jim Zibert from Earle's Engineering and Mr. George Dockery from KDOT and both stated that they would be available for a work session on Crawford County Sewer District #2 force line relocation on May 17, 2019. The Commissioners agreed to hold a work session on May 17, 2019 at 9:00 AM.

**Item Two:** Mr. Pyle stated that Mr. Rick Pfeiffer has requested to attend a Commission meeting and address Mental Health Evaluations with local law enforcement. Sheriff Smith explained how individuals with mental health issues end up in the jail population. He stated that this is an issue that his staff is not trained to deal with and it is not a good situation for the individual either. He stated they deal with it the best they can because they have no choice. The Commissioners agreed that this is a problem that needs to be addressed at the state level. Sheriff Smith stated that before an individual can be sent to Osawatomie State Hospital a medical evaluation has to be done at the cost of the sheriff's

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department and could range from \$400 to \$3000 with no guarantee that a bed will be given. He stated that this is a huge national problem and changes are going to have to come from Topeka and the legislature. Mr. Pyle stated that Mr. Pfeiffer suggested he attend on June 4<sup>th</sup> or June 11<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Blair stated that he will be gone on June 11<sup>th</sup> and Mr. Johnson stated that he will be gone on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Pyle will contact Mr. Pfeiffer and set up a different day so all three Commissioners and the Sheriff can all be in attendance.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Johnson reported on the U.S. Census Bureau Webinar that he and Mr. Emerson attended. He explained the function of complete count committees. He stated that the first round of surveys for the census will go out in early 2020. He said that Census Day is April 1 and runs through August. Mr. Johnson stated that the surveys can be done on line, by mail or over the phone as there was no budget included for door to door contacts.

### UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle requesting approval of the April 2019 Clerk's Report. Mr. Pyle presented the Clerk's Report for April and the March 2019 to April 2019 Clerk's Report of Changes in Expenditures for comparison. Mr. Pyle reviewed some of the changes with the Commissioners.

**On motion (19-149)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the April 2019 Clerk's Report as presented.

**On a Roll Call Vote.**

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Commissioner Blair stated that he will be attending a signage meeting in Erie on May 20<sup>th</sup> with Dale Shireman, Mike Peak and Bill Kavanagh.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Johnson stated that a representative needs to be chosen to sit on the Regional Planning Commission Revolving Loan Fund Committee. He said that he spoke to County Treasurer Joe Grisolano and Mr. Grisolano passed the information on to GNBANK. Mr. Johnson stated that he contacted the bank and they are to get back with him with a suggestion for a member.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

**Item One:** Commissioner Jeremy Johnson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (19-150)** 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 Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:56 AM.

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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 10:41 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:50 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 (19-151)** 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 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Treasurer Joe Grisolano and to reconvene by 11:08 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 10:53 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:08 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

**Item One: May 14, 2019 – 8:30 AM** Work Session to review and sign May mid-month bills and payroll vouchers.

**Item Two: May 14, 2019 –** Ms. Rebecca Adamson Crawford County Health Officer discussing measles outbreak.

**Item Three: May 17, 2019 – 9:00 AM** Work Session with Mr. Jim Zibert from Earle's Engineering and Mr. George Dockery from KDOT to discuss Crawford County Sewer District #2 force line relocation

**Item Four: May 17, 2019 –** Opening bids on chip & seal oil.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Item One: May 16, 2019 –** 2019 Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet at 7:00 PM at the Crimson and Gold Ballroom, Overman Student Center, Pittsburg State University. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

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**Item Two: June 3, 2019 – 12:00 Noon** Filing Deadline for candidates for the 2019 City/School General Election.

### **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 [May 10, 2019](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:11 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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**Don Pyle**  
County Clerk

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

[Taken BKW 5/10/19 11:11 AM/amended BKW 5/13/19 9:30 AM](#)