

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2024, [THIRTY-SEVENTH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Tuesday, May 21, 2024 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.

Commissioner Tom Moody was in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker 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 (24-246) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **May 17, 2024** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.

SIGNING OF MOTIONS

The County Clerk presented the following motions for Commissioners' signatures:

Motion 24	240	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the May 10, 2024 minutes, Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 629509 to 629753 dated May 15, 2024 in the total amount of \$535,951.06, and Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers
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Motion 24	241	To adopt Resolution #2024-007, A Resolution Establishing a Moratorium and Providing for the Suspension of Certain Types of Improvements on Any Land Within the Unincorporated Area of Crawford County; and Directing that Potential Land Development Regulations be Developed with a deadline of December 31, 2024 with the possibility of an extension
Motion 24	242	To recess this open session for a period of 10 minutes
Motion 24	243	To approve the Tax Roll Corrections, correcting an error in the assessing of Personal Property owned by Viets Brothers and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 24	244	To approve the Agreement between Crawford County, Kansas Engineer's Office & Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc for 2024 asphalt material
Motion 24	245	To approve the Life Career Skills for Students program with Girard High School allowing students to attend the county one day per week from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM as long as the county is not liable for any potential injuries

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

Item One: Public hearing on Closing and Vacating a Platted Alley in Jewell Center Subdivision, Crawford County, Kansas.

On motion (24-247) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to open the Public Hearing on Closing and Vacating a Platted Alley in Jewell Center Subdivision, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

There was no public comment.

On motion (24-248) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to close the Public Hearing on Closing and Vacating a Platted Alley in Jewell Center Subdivision, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed

County Counselor Jim Emerson presented Resolution #2024-009, A Resolution on Closing and Vacating a Platted Alley in Jewell Center Subdivision, Crawford County, Kansas.

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On motion (24-249) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to adopt Resolution #2024-009, A Resolution on Closing and Vacating a Platted Alley in Jewell Center Subdivision, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson presented a Notice of Intent to Vacate a Platted Street and Alley located in the Town of Croweburg, Crawford County, Kansas. He presented a map and explained where the street and the alley are located. Mr. Emerson stated a public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at 10:00 AM.

On motion (24-250) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve the publication of the Notice of Intent to Vacate a Platted Street and Alley located in the Town of Croweburg, Crawford County, Kansas with a public hearing scheduled for June 25, 2024 at 10:00 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Commissioner Moody brought up the questionnaires that the Commissioners discussed last Friday. He mentioned they need to talk about what all they would like the questionnaires to include on them and that he feels strongly that everyone in the county should receive these questionnaires. Commissioner Wood said he was debating if they should send them to only unincorporated areas or the entire county. Commissioner Moody said he would like to hear the voice and thoughts of the entire county. Commissioner Wood stated he wonders if there is a way to single out residents who live in one of the cities but own land in an unincorporated area to send them a questionnaire and avoid sending questionnaires to residents who only live in the cities. Commissioner Wood said he has been talking to two other counties about who they used as consultants for their comprehensive plans but he will see what the presentation from Dick Horton Consulting entails first.

OLD BUSINESS

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Item One: Mr. Emerson mentioned he had a request for a work session on June 7, 2024 with Ms. Angie Hadley with RJA at 9:00 AM. He mentioned they are just wanting to discuss their programs, grant updates, and funding. The Commissioners approved the work session.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson mentioned Commissioner Blair was attending a KDOT meeting in Topeka today and that is why he is absent from the meeting.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson mentioned he would like to wait until Commissioner Blair is back to discuss the Operating Reserve account. He mentioned there has been three years worth of donations by the wind farm in the total amount of \$379,688 and only about \$60,000 of this amount has been spent on requests from the Hepler/Walnut area.

Item Four: Commissioner Wood discussed the landfill. He mentioned he gets complaints about the landfill and asked Mr. Emerson if he can get talk to CARDS to discuss tarping their trucks again coming to and from the landfill. Mr. Emerson stated he has the number to a guy that works for CARDS and he will get in touch with them about tarping the trucks. Commissioner Moody mentioned there was a group of people on the highway heading north picking up trash and he does not know who they were but he would like to thank them for doing this.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: May 24, 2024 – 9:45 AM Work session with Director of Fiscal Services Randi Ryan to discuss May ARPA drawdown.

Item Two: May 28, 2024- 9:00 AM Work session with CVB Director Dave Looby.

Item Three: May 28, 2024 – Mr. Dick Horton, Dick Horton Consulting, discussing Zoning Comprehensive Plan.

Item Four: May 31, 2024 – 8:30 AM Work Session to sign May 2024 bills and payroll vouchers.

Item Five: May 31, 2024 – Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the Crawford County Conservation District Mr. Mark Lehman addressing the 2025 Conservation District Budget.

Item Six: June 7, 2024 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Director of RJA Angie Hadley and Program Director Heidi Moody.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: May 27, 2024 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

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UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to adjourn the [May 21, 2024](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:23 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken RJA 05/23/2024 12:30 PM/amended BKW 5/23/24 2:00 PM](#)