

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, Friday, May 27, 2022, 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.

Commissioner Jeremy Johnson and Commissioner Bruce Blair were in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker 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 (22-184) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **May 24, 2022** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

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 22	179	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the May 17, 2022 minutes and Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 613399 to 613620 dated May 13, 2022 in the total amount of \$366,111.27
Motion 22	180	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 a software contract and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Attorney Reina Probert and to reconvene by 10:17 AM

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Motion 22	181	To authorize County Attorney Reina Probert to proceed with the contract with Karpel Solutions for Case Management Software and to approve the initial payment of \$11,250
Motion 22	182	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Mr. Michael Ehling and Ms. Teddi Van Kam and to reconvene by 10:35 AM
Motion 22	183	To approve publication of the Notice to Vacate Platted Alleys in the Original Town of Englevale, Crawford County, Kansas with a public hearing set for June 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM in the County Commission Room

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson stated that he received a request for streetlights at 510th Ave & 69 Highway. He explained that Evergy looked at the area and recommends 2 streetlights at that location and monthly cost would be \$21.48 per streetlight. He also explained that due to the Highway 69 expansion, Evergy stated that 5 streetlights in the Arma/Franklin area have been removed for the road construction process but will be reinstalled when the project is complete. Mr. Emerson presented an overview of the streetlights that Crawford County is currently paying for and a location map of those lights. He discussed other streetlights in the County.

On motion (22-185) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the recommendation from Evergy to install 2 streetlights at 510th Avenue and 69 Highway.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair discussed Crawford County Sewer District #2 (W 4th St) and his concerns with the recent rains and water infiltration. He stated that he is waiting on a return call from Mr. Matt Bacon with the City of Pittsburg to check the status. He said he will discuss this issue with Zoning Administrator May Smith.

OLD BUSINESS:

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Item One: Mr. Emerson stated that department heads are working on their 2023 budgets and the budgets are due June 3, 2022. He said that one department has scheduled a budget work session.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair discussed the storage area for the Clerk's Office and Ms. Lusker stated she would like to have it completed by August. He stated that he will contact Maintenance Supervisor Robert Gorentz on the status of the remodeling.

Item Three: Commissioner Moody stated that the tires from the tire reclamation project are still at the Freeto building and Commissioner Blair stated that he will check with Ms. Smith about the pickup schedule.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-186) 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 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department 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, Blair and Johnson

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 10:30 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Bruce Blair requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-187) 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 the Road & Bridge Department evaluations under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:47 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:32 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:47 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 7, 2022- 9:00 AM Work Session with Benefits Administrator Lauren Edwards to discuss the Employee Handbook.

Item Two: June 7, 2022 – Mr. Mark Lehman Chairman of the Board of Supervisors Crawford County Conservation District addressing Conservation District Budget.

Item Three: June 14, 2022 – 9:00 AM Budget Work Session for the EMS Department with EMS Director Randy Sandberg and EMS Administrator Dr. Tim Stebbins.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: Monday, May 30, 2022 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

Item Two: June 3, 2022 – The Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners is cancelled due to lack of quorum.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [May 27, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:49 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken BKW 5/27/2022 11:0:49 AM/amended BKW 5/27/2022 1:12 PM