

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2022, **THIRTY-EIGHTH** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS, **Tuesday, May 31, 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 (22-188)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **May 27, 2022** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

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	184	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the May 24, 2022 minutes
Motion 22	185	To approve the recommendation from Evergy to install 2 streetlights at 510 <sup>th</sup> Avenue and 69 Highway
Motion 22	186	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
Motion 22	187	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

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		the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:47 AM
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## 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

**Item One:** City of Frontenac Mayor Dave Fornelli addressed the Commissioners. He discussed his concerns with the City of Pittsburg including, without permission or notification, the City of Frontenac in their application for the RAISE Infrastructure Grant. He stated that early last week, the City of Frontenac sent letters to the City of Pittsburg council members. Mayor Fornelli said that someone gave the paper a copy of the letter and now tensions have escalated. Mr. Fornelli explained that the residents of Frontenac do not want the improvements to the roads going through Capaldo. Commissioner Moody said that it was his assumption from the last meeting Mayor Fornelli and the City of Pittsburg official Jay Byers attended that the City of Pittsburg took the City of Frontenac out of the grant application. Commissioner Blair suggested that if the grant is awarded, the two cities should sit down and communicate. Mayor Fornelli said he spoke for the majority of the residents of Frontenac when he says Frontenac is not interested in being involved in the project. Commissioner Blair said that McKay is the best road to access the businesses anyway, and that the improvements to the intersection should improve traffic. Mayor Fornelli stated he didn't need any action from the County Commissioners, he just wanted to inform the Commissioners of the situation.

### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

### NEW BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Counselor Jim Emerson presented a draw down for ARPA funding for Crawford County Mental Health in the amount of \$50,332.68. He explained that this drawdown is for the purchase of laptops.

**On motion (22-189)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the ARPA drawdown for Crawford County Mental Health in the amount of \$50,332.68.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Commissioner Blair stated that tomorrow is the 100-year anniversary of the Courthouse in Girard. He showed a framed itemized bill of the construction of the courthouse from 1922 and discussed the cost to build the courthouse compared to the prices of construction now. He stated that there will be a celebration ceremony for the 100-year anniversary of the courthouse at the Girard Fall Festival this year.

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## OLD BUSINESS:

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

**Item Two: June 3, 2022** – 2 Commissioners will be in attendance at the Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament.

## UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

### MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [May 31, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:17 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.**

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**Lisa Lusker**  
County Clerk

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

Taken BKW 5/31/2022 10:17 AM/amended BKW 6/2/2022 9:00 AM