

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2017, [EIGHTY-SEVENTH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS [Tuesday, November 21, 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 (17-384) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [November 17, 2017](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the November 17, 2017 minutes of the Board of County Canvassers.

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	378	To reconvene the canvass from the November 7, 2017 General Election
Motion 17	379	To accept the final results report of the 2017 General Election held on November 7, 2017 in Crawford County and to adjourn the November 17, 2017 meeting of the Board of Canvassers

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Motion 17	380	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the November 13, 2017 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners and Approval of the November 13, 2017 minutes of the Board of County Canvassers and Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 577874 to 578203 dated November 15, 2017 in the total amount of \$284,373.95
Motion 17	381	To adopt Resolution#2017-029, a Resolution terminating Crawford County's participation in the Southeast Kansas Solid Waste Authority and to authorize the Chairman to sign the Unanimous Consent Resolution
Motion 17	382	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Sheriff Dan Peak
Motion 17	383	To close the Courthouse for Thanksgiving on November 23 and 24, 2017 and to add the day after Thanksgiving (4th Friday in November) as a holiday in the Employee Policy Manual

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

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

Item One: Chief Sheriff's Deputy Anthony Picher addressed the Commission and explained ALICE training. He stated that the program is called ALICE (Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate) and that it is an active shooter training program. Mr. Pichler stated the program was started 5 years ago along with the Pittsburg Police Department and has been taught in every school in Crawford County and has also been taught to some businesses and churches in the area. He stated that there are currently 15 instructors for the program. He explained that with more organizations wanting training, more instructors are needed and an instructor class will be held. Mr. Pichler handed out a guide on ALICE training and explained in detail what is taught through the program. He discussed doing the training for the courthouse and obtaining a relocation point for the employees in the courthouse. Sheriff Peak stated that the library would be a good relocation place for the Courthouse. Mr. Wood asked about handicapped and disabled individuals and Mr. Pichler stated that part of the training is targeted on their needs. Mr. Pichler stated that the class lasts 2 to 2 1/2 hours and everyone will have hands on training. There was a discussion on the training in the schools and Mr. Pichler explained when the drills in the schools take place. He explained that more calls are received daily from businesses and organizations requesting the training. The Commissioners and Mr. Pichler discussed training for County Employees. Mr. Pichler will set dates for the Courthouse to be trained and the Commissioners stated they will give Mr. Pichler their full cooperation in setting this up. County Clerk Don Pyle will get a count of the number of employees in the courthouse and Mr. Pichler will work on dates and a signup sheet. The Commissioners decided that the ALICE training will be mandatory for all employees. It was discussed that it will take 2 days for training for the courthouse. It was also discussed that the Road and Bridge and Maintenance Departments will have their training at the Homer Cole Center.

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Item Two: Mr. Troy Graham, Zoning Administrator requested a 30 minute work session on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 9:30 AM to discuss codes court. The Commissioners approved the work session.

Item Three: Mr. Jason VanBecelaere, Emergency Management Director would like to be added to the agenda for Tuesday, November 28, 2017 to give an update.

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle stated that he has spoken to Ms. Mary Kay Caldwell about the Humane Society and Ms. Caldwell was asking about the county's assistance with working on the draining issues at the Humane Society.

Item Two: Mr. Pyle presented a Tax Roll Correction, correcting an error in the assessing of Personal Property owned by Utility Service Co Inc and to request a refund in the amount of \$234.08 from the 2015 tax rolls and a refund in the amount of \$208.74 from the 2016 tax rolls. Mr. Pyle explained that the vehicles are IRP trucks and have been tagged in Arkansas since 2015.

On motion (17-385) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve the Tax Roll Correction, correcting an error in the assessing of Personal Property owned by Utility Service Co Inc and to request a refund in the amount of \$234.08 from the 2015 tax rolls and a refund in the amount of \$208.74 from the 2016 tax rolls and Authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Commissioner Murphy discussed some property that the City of Girard had demolished the structure that was on it and cleared the property recently. Mr. Murphy thought that the county might be interested in purchasing this property. The Commissioners decided to wait and see if the property goes up for tax sale.

Item Four: Mr. Murphy addressed a tree shearer and the Commissioners discussed updating the old track hoes to be compatible with a shearer. The Commissioners discussed replacing one of the old track hoes and keeping the other.

Item Five: Sheriff Peak informed the Commissioners that the grant was denied for the radio tower at Greenbush. There was a discussion on 911 Funds and also the price of a new tower.

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UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson stated that the Girard Medical Center contacted him about a funding opportunity through the Public Building Commission. He stated that to get the process started the board members of the Public Building Commission need to be reappointed. He explained that the Commissioners need to reappoint the members to a two-year term. He said that the board members needing reappointment are Dan Duling, Lucas Stansbury, W.W. O'Bryan, Frank Slapar and Karen Wenzelburger.

On motion (17-386) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to reappoint Dan Duling, Lucas Stansbury, W.W. O'Bryan, Frank Slapar and Karen Wenzelburger to the Public Building Commission for a two year term.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Commissioner Wood discussed cleaning and storing road and bridge equipment for the winter.

Item Three: The Commissioners discussed the new Road and Bridge building.

Item Four: The Commissioners discussed bridges in the county.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Moody requested an executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (17-387) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Assistant County Appraiser Zach Edwards.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:54 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:06 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

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Item One: November 28, 2017 – 9:30 AM Work Session with Zoning Administrator Troy Graham to discuss Codes Court.

Item Two: November 28, 2017 – Mr. Jason VanBecelaere, Emergency Management Director giving an update.

Item Three: December 1, 2017 – 10:00 AM Opening of bids for the County's Property, Casualty and Work Comp Insurance.

Item Four: December 1, 2017 – Ms. Kari West, Westar Energy Business Manager with a presentation on Westar's economic impact to the region

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: November 23 & 24, 2017 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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 [November 21, 2017](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:24 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

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 11/21/17 11:24 AM/amended BKW 11/27/17 3:00 PM](#)