

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2017, [SEVENTY-EIGHTH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS **Friday, October 13, 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.

Commissioner Jeff Murphy was 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 (17-350)** of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **October 10, 2017** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers, and
3. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers **577157 to 577444** dated **October 13, 2017 in the total amount of \$510,277.28.**

Yeas: Commissioners Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

**The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.**

### **SIGNING OF MOTIONS**

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

Motion 17	347	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the October 6, 2017 minutes
Motion 17	348	To approve the full payment to Joplin Freightliner Sales for two Freightliner Dump Trucks and to lease purchase the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Freightliner Dump Truck

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Motion 17	349	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson
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### 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:** Mr. Robert Gorentz and Mr. Mike Peak addressed the parking blocks in the Courthouse parking lot. Mr. Gorentz stated that the blocks were put back temporarily after paving the lot for Girard Fall Festival and now they can be moved where the Commissioners wish. The Commissioners discussed purchasing new blocks or using the ones that are currently in the parking lot. Mr. Murphy stated if we use the current ones he would like them painted. Mr. Wood requested that Mr. Peak and Mr. Gorentz check into prices of new ones. The Commissioners decided they would like a parking block at every parking stall. Mr. Gorentz explained how the bumpers will be installed. Mr. Murphy stated that the Judge's assigned parking spot is in a dangerous place and would like to move it to the front north parking lot. Mr. Emerson will speak to Judge Fleming about moving the parking spot.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Item One:** Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (17-351)** of Commissioner Wood 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 10 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce President Blake Benson and Crawford County Convention and Visitor's Board Chairman Dave Goble.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

**The motion prevailed.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:15 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:25 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

### **MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS continued**

**Item Two:** Mr. Ed Fields stated that his part time employee Cord Mays will be going fulltime on the Road & Bridge payroll Oct 20, 2017 but he would like to keep him in his department until Dec 1, 2017 for some work that needs to be done. Mr. Fields explained

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what work he will have Mr. Mays working on. Mr. Murphy addressed the painting the courthouse light poles and Mr. Fields will check into it.

**MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC**  
**MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**  
**MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS**  
**PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD**  
**NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Mr. Pyle presented a letter from Ms. Mary Ann Holloway requesting to be appointed to the Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging Board.

**On motion (17-352)** of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve the appointment of Ms. Mary Ann Holloway to the Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging Board.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Mr. Pyle stated that he received an email from Ms. Debra Anthony, RN from the Crawford County Health Department that stated there were 151 employees and spouses that had wellness screening blood draws done through the county and that Ms. Anthony will be checking the BCBS data base for employees that had the blood work drawn at their own physician. Mr. Pyle stated that notices will be sent to employees to remind them that their wellness screening results need to be entered into their BC/BS Blue Access Account. Mr. Pyle said that he will collect more information and bring back when Commissioner Moody is present.

**Item Three:** County Counselor Jim Emerson presented a Conflict of Interest Policy. He explained that the policy is a requirement for the State Emergency Shelter Grant Program. Mr. Emerson requested the Commissioners review the policy and will discuss further on Tuesday.

**Item Four:** Mr. Emerson stated that Ms. Angie Hadley, Restorative Justice Authority contacted him and stated that there is a vacancy on the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board. He stated that the position was held by Mr. Jon Bishop former Pittsburg High School Principal and that Ms. Hadley would like to appoint the new PHS Principal Mr. Phil Bressler to replace Mr. Bishop on the board.

**On motion (17-353)** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve the appointment of Mr. Phil Bressler, Pittsburg High School Principal to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board to replace Mr. Jon Bishop as requested by Ms.

Angie Hadley.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

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Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Five:** Mr. Emerson stated that the Crawford County has had a 3-year contact with First Call of Kansas, Inc. for transport services for autopsies. He explained that the contract is up and First Call has sent him a renewal contract in which the fee has increased to up to \$215 per call. Mr. Murphy asked about other companies with these services and Mr. Emerson and Mr. Pyle stated that the only other services are local funeral homes which are considerably higher. He also stated that he has spoken to Dr. Paoni, County Coroner, and Dr. Paoni is happy with the services provided by First Call. The Commissioners asked Mr. Emerson to move forward with the contract.

**Item Six:** Mr. Murphy discussed the fairgrounds and showed an aerial photo of the grounds. He stated that he and Mr. Albertini walked the grounds and made plans for drainage and explained their plans. He also discussed that Vinylplex may be willing to donate the pipe for the culverts. Mr. Murphy stated that the Fair Board will pay for the materials and the county will do the work. Mr. Wood stated that this work really needs to be done and he agrees with the proposed plans.

**Item Seven:** Mr. Wood addressed the Centennial Bridge and stated that yesterday the construction company had 12 employees working on the bridge. He discussed progress that has been done on the bridge.

### **UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS**

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

**Item One: October 13, 2017 – 11:00 AM** Work Session with IMA via conference call.

**Item Two: October 17, 2017 – 9:00 AM** Work Session with Ryan Insurance Agency.

**Item Three: October 17, 2017 –** Mr. Matt Sanders, WCA discussing the landfill.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Item One: October 17, 2017 –** Pittsburg Area Economic Outlook Conference from 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM at the Memorial Auditorium & Convention Center.

**Item Two: October 20, 2017 –** The Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners is cancelled due to SEK County Official's Meeting.

**The Commissioners recessed the meeting for a work session conference call with IMA at 11:00 AM.**

**The Commissioner reconvened the Regular Session at 12:50 PM.**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION continued**

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**Item Two:** Commissioner Murphy requested an executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (17-354)** of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Wood to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Zoning Administrator Troy Graham.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

**The motion prevailed.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 12:55 PM and reconvened the Open Session at 1:05 PM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for a period of not more than 5 minutes to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney Client Relationship.

**On motion (17-355)** of Commissioner Wood 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 5 minutes to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney Client Relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

**The motion prevailed.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 1:10 PM and reconvened the Open Session at 1:15 PM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

### **UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Wood to adjourn the [October 13, 2017](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 1:17 PM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

**The motion prevailed.**

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**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 10/13/2017 1:17 PM/amended BKW 10/16/17 3:00 PM](#)