

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2018, [SIXTY-SIXTH MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS [Friday, September 14, 2018, 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 Jeff Murphy served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Carl Wood were in attendance.

General Government Director Bobbi Wicker and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Murphy led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (18-336) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [September 11, 2018](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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 Director presented the following motions for Commissioners' signatures:

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| Motion 18 | 329 | That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the September 7, 2018 minutes |
| Motion 18 | 330 | To approve the appointment of Ms. Roz Moiser to the Crawford County Solid Waste Management Committee |
| Motion 18 | 331 | To authorize Jim Emerson to draft a letter of support for Highway 69 and a letter of support for lowering the speed limit on Highway 69 Bypass around Arma to submit to the Joint Legislative Transportation Vision Task Force and authorize the Commissioners to sign |
| Motion 18 | 332 | To approve the proposal from Mr. Frank Young, Ag Engineering for the drainage study on the Silverback Landing Development Project |

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| Motion 18 | 333 | To approve the August 2018 Clerk’s Report as presented |
| Motion 18 | 334 | To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 12:36 PM |
| Motion 18 | 335 | To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 5 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 12:39 PM |

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Murphy requested an executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (18-337) of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 5 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Maintenance Supervisor Robert Gorentz and to reconvene by 10:10 AM.

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 10:05 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:10 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

Item One: Mr. Zac Dickey, Next Generation Insurance addressed the Commissioners. Mr. Dickey stated that he is here today to officially request Crawford County to hire his company as health insurance consultant for Crawford County. He gave information on how his company can save the county money on health insurance costs. He explained the savings the City of Pittsburg realized with his company as consultants. Commissioner Wood feels it is too late in the year to help for 2019 but is willing to look at his company for 2020. Mr. Dickey stated that the county will not pay for Next Generation’s services until the 2020 contract year but the company will assist the county for the remainder of the 2019 contract year at no charge. Commissioner Moody stated that 3 other consultants have contacted Crawford County but he is leaning towards Next Generation. Mr. Moody explained that he wants the very best coverages for the employees but also does not want to pay more for coverage. Mr. Murphy discussed the issue with BC/BS being lax in providing needed data to the consultants. Commissioner Moody and Commissioner

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Murphy stated that they are interested in having the company work with the County for the remainder of the 2019 contract year as Mr. Dickey explained but Mr. Wood disagreed. The Commissioners stated that they will need to see a contract from Next Generation. Mr. Dickey will get a contract here as soon as possible.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Troy Graham, Zoning Administrator, reported on the meeting he attended with Mr. Murphy on Tuesday with the City of Pittsburg about the Silverback Landing Development Project. He presented the Commissioners all the documents that were discussed at the meeting. Mr. Murphy felt it was a good meeting and reported on what was discussed in meeting. The Commissioners discussed the drainage issues and continuing with the choice of working with Ag Engineering. Mr. Emerson presented the RHID Guidelines and went through the guidelines with the Commissioners.

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Ms. Bobbi Wicker, General Government Director stated that Blue Cross and Blue Shield Representative Cristi Mitchell is available to meet with the Commissioners on Friday, September 21, 2018. The Commissioners would like to meet with Ms. Mitchell at 9:00 AM on that day for a work session.

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson stated that Mr. Greg Hite, Shop Foreman is requesting a purchasing card for the shop with a \$1,000 limit. The Commissioners would like to have it issued in the names of Greg Hite & Josh Peak.

On motion (18-338) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve a purchasing card through GN Bank for Greg Hite and Josh Peak for the County Shop with a \$1,000 limit.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Jim Emerson, County Counselor presenting Resolution #2018-016, A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$47,795.22 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018A (Streets) of Crawford County, Kansas, Under the Authority of K.S.A., 10-101 to 125, Inclusive, and K.S.A. 68-728 ET SEQ., all as Amended; and Authorizing Certain Other Documents and Actions in Connection with the Issuance of the Bonds. Mr. Emerson stated that the total cost of improvements was \$59,744.00. He explained that two landowners paid the assessment in full in the amount of \$5,974.40 each leaving a balance of \$47,795.22 to be assessed between the remaining 8 landowners over a 5-year period with interest added at the rate of 4.49%.

On motion (18-339) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to adopt Resolution #2018-016, A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$47,795.22

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General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018A (Streets) of Crawford County, Kansas, Under the Authority of K.S.A., 10-101 to 125, Inclusive, and K.S.A. 68-728 ET SEQ., all as Amended; and Authorizing Certain Other Documents and Actions in Connection with the Issuance of the Bonds.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Four: Mr. Murphy stated that he attended a Crawford County Fire District #4 Board Meeting and went over the district's bylaws which stated there should be 5 board members. He said that a state statute was presented stating that 3 board members need to be appointed by the County Commissioners. Mr. Murphy would like to have County Counselor Jim Emerson research the statutes pertaining to Fire District Board Members and have him attend a Fire District #4 Board Meeting.

Item Five: Mr. Moody stated that the new shirts for the road and bridge crews are in.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

Item Two: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (18-340) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 5 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:17 AM.

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 11:12 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:17 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Mr. Wood stated that chip and seal work was done on a private road that he was told was maintained by the county. He explained that a fellow Commissioner expressed concerns and it was determined that it is a private road. Mr. Wood stated that he will try to get money back from the landowner for this work. He stated that it was a mistake on his part, he takes full responsibility and he will attempt to recoup the cost of material.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Emerson presented a letter of agreement from Ag Engineering Associates for the drainage study on the Silverback Landing Development Project.

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On motion (18-341) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the Letter of Agreement with Ag Engineering 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 Two: Mr. Emerson addressed KDOT Project #19C-4222-01 in which the County underpaid an amount of \$39,367.24 which is still due on the project.

On motion (18-342) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve the payment to KDOT in the amount of \$39,367.24 on Project 19C-4222.01.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson presented a consulting agreement from Bukaty Company. He went through the contract with the Commissioners. The Commissioners decided to table this issue.

Item Four: Mr. Emerson presented Resolution #2018-017, A Resolution Supporting a New Transportation Program for the State of Kansas and Outlining Priority County Transportation Needs. Mr. Emerson explained that this resolution lists the county priorities for the Joint Legislative Transportation Vision Task Force and will be presented to the task force. Mr. Emerson will write a script for Mr. Wood to follow when he testifies at the meeting.

On motion (18-343) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to adopt Resolution #2018-017, A Resolution Supporting a New Transportation Program for the State of Kansas for the Kansas Joint Legislative Transportation Vision Task Force.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: September 18, 2018 – Mr. Mac Young Community Corrections Administrative Director, presenting Community Corrections Fiscal Year 2018 Year End Outcome.

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Item Two: September 21, 2018 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Ms. Cristi Mitchell, Blue Cross and Blue Shield Representative discussing health insurance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: September 18, 2018 – City/County Luncheon at 11:30 AM at Pallucca’s Event Hall. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

Item Two: September 20, 2018 – Joint Legislative Transportation Vision Task Force Meeting in Pittsburg. 10:00 AM at the Jack Overman Student Center. With public comment at 12:30 PM.

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 [September 14, 2018](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:45 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.

Bobbi Wicker

Director

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken BKW 9/14/18 11:45 AM/amended BKW 9/17/18 1:00 PM](#)