

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2018, [SIXTY-NINTH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

Girard, KS [Tuesday, September 25, 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 (18-349)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [September 21, 2018](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

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:

Motion 18	346	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the September 18, 2018 minutes
Motion 18	347	To approve payment to Derfelt Funeral Home for an indigent cremation for a Crawford County citizen
Motion 18	348	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 10:54 AM

### **UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS NEW BUSINESS:**

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**Item One:** Commissioner Wood stated that Asphalt Foreman Randy Chiartano and 3<sup>rd</sup> District Road Foreman Ben Cannon are in attendance and that Mr. Chiartano will present a bill from the Road & Bridge Dept. for the material that was used to chip and seal the driveway at Countyside Golf Course. Mr. Chiartano presented the invoice in the amount of \$995.50 for the materials used. Mr. Wood explained that he and Mr. Cannon are each going to write a check to cover half of the invoice and requested that Mr. Chiartano deliver the checks to the County Treasurer to be held until the KBI investigation is over.

Mr. Cannon addressed the Commission and stated that since he was hired by the county in 1987 the county has always maintained this driveway as a county road. He stated that this road has been asphalted and chip and sealed by the County during that time.

Mr. Wood stated that he was notified yesterday that he is being investigated by the KBI for misuse of county funds and he feels that this is smearing his name and reputation.

### MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

**Item One:** Mr. Mac Young Community Corrections Administrative Director, presented the Community Corrections Fiscal Year 2018 Year End Outcomes. He explained that is a report on how Community Corrections program did in 2018. He stated that the program has not changed in quite a few years. Mr. Young went through the report with the Commissioners and discussed employment/unemployment statistics for the offender population. He also discussed the success rate for the offenders and stated that the goal by statute is 75% success rate each year and in fiscal year 2018 the year end success rate was 69.8%. Mr. Young stated that the percentage fluctuates from quarter to quarter. He stated that successful means that the offender does not go to prison. Mr. Young explained revocation and stated that only the judge and the prosecutor can decide on the revocation and Community Corrections can only give a recommendation.

**On motion (18-350)** of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the Fiscal Year 2018 Kansas Department of Corrections Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan Quarterly and Year End Outcome Report and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

**Item One:** Mr. Jason VanBecelaere, Emergency Management Director presenting JAG Grant (Justice Assistance Grant) application. He stated that the Sheriff's department applied for this grant last year for a tower at Greenbush but was denied. He explained that this is an equipment grant with a County match. He stated that he needs the Commissioners approval for Ms. Bonnie Houk, grant writer from Greenbush, to move forward and apply for the grant. Mr. VanBecelaere stated that the deadline to apply for this grant is October 1, 2018. Mr. Emerson stated that he looked over the paperwork yesterday. Mr. VanBecelaere stated that the proposal is for a 150-foot tower with the county match of \$267,950 to be split with Greenbush. He said that the grant covers the

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equipment in the amount of \$88,133. He explained that the county will be responsible for the match funds up front but then can lease the tower to 911. Mr. VanBecelaere stated that they will be notified by November 1, 2018 if the application was accepted. The Commissioners would like to table any action on this until Friday.

### MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

**Item One:** Mr. Frank Young, Ag Engineering addressed the Commissioners and presented the Report of Findings on Silverback Landing Subdivision Development Project through the City of Pittsburg. Mr. Young explained the Rural Housing Incentive District (RHID) program and his company's proposal. Mr. Young stated that Earle's Engineering, Inc., are consultants for the developer and have been very cooperative when he asked for information. He said that the only problem was that it was still in the early stages of the project and Earle's Engineering did not have final plans yet. Mr. Young stated that the only uncontrolled drainage under this plan is a relatively small area around the outside perimeter on the south and the west. He showed the areas on the map and explained how the storm water drainage on the rest of the property will drain. There was a lengthy discussion on the drainage. The Commissioners and Mr. Young explained the time frame and Mr. Young hopes this report gives the Commissioners enough information for the hearing. The final paragraph of the report gives his conclusion.

Mr. Bill Strenth, 1515 Hampton Road, Pittsburg stated that he has 2 concerns which are the many different stories they have heard and the danger to animals.

Mr. Doug Linder, 1534 Hampton Road addressed the commission regarding his concerns.

Ms. Sandy Casey, Register of Deeds stated that the City of Pittsburg platted the property and are current owners of the property.

Ms. Tamara Miller, 1209 Imperial Drive addressed the Commissioners with her concerns.

Mr. Wood stated that he will be attending the City of Pittsburg Commission meeting tonight to observe and gather more information. Commissioner Murphy stated that he may also be there. Mr. Moody stated that he would like to have Mr. Young looking out for the interests of the county during this process. The Commissioners all felt that they would like to see the City of Pittsburg table this issue until they have plans completed.

**On motion (18-351)** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve hiring Frank Young as a Consultant for Crawford County to review engineering studies on the Silverback Landing Development Project in Pittsburg.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS

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**Item One:** Mr. Murphy discussed a tractor that is down in his district and that his district is behind in mowing. Mr. Wood and Mr. Moody will check with their foreman to see if their crews can assist. The Commissioners discussed other options for mowing.

**Item Two:** Mr. Wood discussed the KBI investigation into the chip and seal of the driveway at Countryside Golf Course and that he felt he has been falsely accused.

### **UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Moody made a motion for an executive session to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship. The motion died for lack of a second.

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

**Item One: October 5, 2018** – Ryan Insurance, LLC addressing work comp quarterly loss report.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Item One: September 25, 2018** – City of Pittsburg Commission meeting at 5:30 PM. Commissioner Wood and Commissioner Murphy may be in attendance.

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

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [September 25, 2018](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 12:05 PM 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.**

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**Bobbi Wicker**

General Government Director

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

[Taken BKW 9/25/18 12:05 PM/amended BKW 9/27/18 10:00 AM](#)