

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2023, THIRTIETH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Friday, April 21, 2023 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 Bruce Blair served as the presiding officer.

Commissioner Carl Wood was in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (23-177) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **April 18, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the **April 18, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Canvassers, and
3. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair 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 23 CANVASS	172	To Accept the Recommendations of the County Election Officer for the Acceptance and Rejection of Provisional Ballots from the 2023 City of Pittsburg Sales Tax Special Election held April 11, 2023 in Crawford County
Motion 23 CANVASS	173	To Accept the Final Results Report of the 2023 City of Pittsburg Sales Tax Special Election held April 11, 2023 in Crawford County
Motion 23	174	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the April 14, 2023 minutes

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Motion 23	175	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss policies and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:55 AM
Motion 23	176	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss policies and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:55 AM

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker presented a letter from the City of Arma to the Commissioners thanking the Commissioners and the road crews for the assistance with the pavement overlay application that was done in the City of Arma last week.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker stated that Ms. Julie Rybnick, Director of Elections retired yesterday and we all wish her well.

Item Three: County Counselor Jim Emerson discussed the work session held this morning with Ryan Insurance in reference to the property, casualty and liability insurance. The Commissioners scheduled a work session on Friday, April 28, 2023 at 9:00 AM to discuss property, casualty and liability insurance with Mr. Emerson, Ms. Lusker and Director of Fiscal Services Ms. Randi Ryan.

Item Four: Commissioner Wood discussed meeting with KDOT about 160 Hwy. Ms. Lusker stated that that KDOT is on the schedule to meet with the Commissioners the first week of May.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Emerson discussed auditing firm bids. He explained that the county went out for bids a while back and no bids were received. He said that the Commissioners requested that Ms. Lusker and himself check into firms and they spoke with a firm that was recommended by the County's former auditor that is interested. Mr. Emerson stated that this firm can work on the County audit in June and the county is fortunate that this firm could work Crawford County into their schedule. He explained that the fees are a little more that what was paid last year and the fee for the 2022 audit is approximately \$29,000. Ms. Lusker stated that she contacted numerous counties and this firm, Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, PA came highly recommended. Mr. Emerson explained that he needs

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the Commissioners approval to hire Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, PA and a contract will be presented at a later date.

On motion (23-178) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve hiring Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, PA to conduct the 2022 Crawford County Audit.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair discussed selling items through Purple Wave and stated that there are no fees involved in selling through Purple Wave and the buyer pays the commission fees. He explained that Shop Foreman Josh Peak has put together a list of equipment and vehicles to advertise on Purple Wave and the Commissioners will address this further when Commissioner Moody is in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (23-179) of Commissioner Blair 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 items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss Consolidated 911 and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:25 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

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.

OLD BUSINESS continued

Item Three: Commissioner Wood discussed trash containers and would like a list of where trash containers are currently located in the County and the sizes of the containers.

Item Four: Ms. Lusker stated that KDOT will be attendance at the May 5, 2023 Regular Session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

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Item One: April 25, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Director of Fiscal Services Randi Ryan, County Clerk Lisa Lusker and County Counselor Jim Emerson to review the ARPA drawdown request for March 2023.

Item Two: April 25, 2023 – 9:30 AM Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner addressing ARPA funding.

Item Three: April 28, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Director of Fiscal Services Randi Ryan, County Clerk Lisa Lusker and County Counselor Jim Emerson to discuss property, casualty and liability insurance.

Item Four: April 28, 2023 – 10:00 AM Public Hearing on vacating platted street & platted alleys in Paul Onelio’s Subdivision, Crawford County Kansas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [April 21, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:21 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken BKW 4/21/2022 10:30 AM/amended BKW 4/24/2023 11:15 AM