

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2021, [FIFTY-NINTH MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, [Friday, August 20, 2021, 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 Jeremy Johnson served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Bruce Blair were in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Johnson led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (21-260) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [August 17, 2021](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

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:

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| Motion 21 | 255 | That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the August 10, 2021 minutes and Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 607788 to 607983 dated August 13, 2021 in the total amount of \$329,643.12 |
| Motion 21 | 256 | To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Ms. Teddi Van Kam and Mr. Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 10:38 AM |
| Motion 21 | 257 | To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss the Emergency Management Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include |

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| | | the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Rusty Akins and to reconvene by 10:50 AM |
| Motion 21 | 258 | To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the Appraiser’s Office under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Zac Edwards and to reconvene by 11:05 AM |
| Motion 21 | 259 | 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 the Pandemic and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:16 AM |

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle stated that he received an invitation to the SEK County Officials Regional meeting to be held on Thursday, September 23, 2021 in Iola, Kansas and he emailed the Commissioners a copy of the invitation. He requested that the Commissioners notify him if they will be able to attend the meeting.

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson presented the Kansas Housing Resource Corporation Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG CV 2) Recipient Request for Reimbursement and Financial Status Report in the amount of \$126.64. He stated that this is not the main grant but an additional grant due to COVID-19 and it is a monthly draw down.

On motion (21-261) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the Kansas Housing Resource Corporation Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG CV 2) Recipient Request for Reimbursement and Financial Status Report in the amount of \$126.64 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson stated that there will be a Crawford County Tax Foreclosure Sale on September 24, 2021 at 1:00 PM in the Courtroom on the 3rd Floor of the Courthouse. He stated that the listing of properties was published in the Pittsburg Morning Sun and there will be 2 more publications on the next two Wednesdays and the

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properties are also listed on the county website along with a map of the properties at crawfordcountykansas.org.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Appraiser Zac Edwards requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (21-262) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the Appraiser's Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Zac Edwards and to reconvene by 10:25 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:10 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:20 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (21-263) of Commissioner Blair 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 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:41 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:21 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:41 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated that the Annual Budget for 2022 for the 11th Judicial District of Crawford County needs to be approved by the Commissioners before submitting to the State. District Court Administrator Mac Young had requested a copy that has been approved and signed by the commission so that he can submit it to the state.

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On motion (21-264) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the Annual Budget for 2022 for the 11th Judicial District Crawford County and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

Item Three: Commissioner Blair requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (21-265) of Commissioner Blair 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 15 minutes to discuss the Road & Bridge Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:03 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:48 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:00 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

OLD BUSINESS continued

Item Two: Commissioner Moody requested a work session with the Road & Bridge Foremen to discuss road planning. The Commissioners schedule a work session on September 3, 2021 at 9:30 AM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

Item Four: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (21-266) of Commissioner Johnson 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 15 minutes to discuss the EMS Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:16 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

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The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:01 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:16 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Five: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (21-267) of Commissioner Johnson 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 15 minutes to discuss the EMS Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and EMS Director Randy Sandberg and to reconvene by 11:32 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:17 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:30 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: August 24, 2021 – 9:30 AM Work Session with 911 Director Tim Mikrut and Sheriff Danny Smith.

Item Two: August 24, 2021 – 10:00 AM Public Hearing on Crawford County 2022 Budget and the Crawford County Fire Districts #1, #2, #3 and #4 2022 Budgets.

Item Three: September 3, 2021 – 9:30 AM Work Session with the Road & Bridge Foremen to discuss roads and planning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [August 20, 2021](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:31 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

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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 by BKW 8/20/2021 11:31 AM/amended BKW 8/23/2021 10:40 AM