

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2023, **SIXTY-THIRD** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Friday, August 25, 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 Carl Wood served as the presiding officer.

Commissioner Tom Moody was in attendance.

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

Commissioner Carl Wood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (23-333) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **August 22, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.

SIGNING OF MOTIONS

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

Motion 23	331	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the August 18, 2023 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners
Motion 23	332	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss a contract and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:30 AM

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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker discussed the meeting scheduled immediately after Regular Session to discuss the budget. She suggested postponing the meeting until Commissioner Bruce Blair can be in attendance. Ms. Lusker suggested scheduling the meeting for Tuesday August 29, 2023 at 9:00 AM and both Commissioner Wood and Commissioner Moody agreed.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker addressed the Commissioners previously asking her to schedule a meeting with local representatives to discuss future legislative sessions. She mentioned October 13, 2023 is the date that Senator Tim Shallenburger, Representative Kenneth Collins, and Representative Chuck Smith can be in attendance.

Item Three: County Counselor Jim Emerson mentioned needing to schedule a work session in regards to ARPA spending this month. He asked to have this scheduled Tuesday August 29, 2023 at 8:45 AM. Mr. Emerson also mentioned he has had a request from Mr. Dale Shireman for a work session on Friday September 1, 2023 at 9:30 AM regarding striping and chip and seal. The Commissioners agreed to both work sessions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

On motion (23-334) of Commissioner Moody 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 15 minutes to discuss matters relating to security measures if the discussion of such matters in an open meeting would jeopardize such security measures that protect specific systems, facilities or equipment and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Communications Director Tim Mikrut and to reconvene by 10:21 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:06 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:16 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

On motion (23-335) 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 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel regarding the Crawford County Health Department and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, and Sheriff Danny Smith and to reconvene by 10:31 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Moody

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:16 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:31 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

On motion (23-336) of Commissioner Moody 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 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel regarding the Crawford County Mental Health Department and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, and Sheriff Danny Smith and to reconvene by 10:52 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Moody

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:32 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:52 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

OLD BUSINESS

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: August 29, 2023 – Mental Health Director Heather Spaur presenting Stepping Up Initiative Resolution.

Item Two: August 29, 2023 – 8:45 AM Work session to discuss the August ARPA draw down request.

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Item Three: August 29, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work session to discuss the 2024 County Budget.

Item Four: September 1, 2023 – 9:30 AM Work session with the 3 Road Foremen and Sign Foreman Dale Shireman in regards to striping and chip and seal.

Item Five: October 13, 2023 – Senator Tim Shallenburger, Representative Kenneth Collins, and Representative Chuck Smith discussing upcoming legislative sessions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: September 4, 2023- Crawford County Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

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 [August 25, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:55 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Blair

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 RJA 8/25/23 3:30 PM/amended BKW 8/28/2023 1:30 PM