

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, [SIXTY-FIRST MEETING](#)

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, [Tuesday, August 30, 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 Tom Moody served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Bruce Blair and Jeremy Johnson were in attendance.

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

Chairman Moody led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (22-310) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the [August 26, 2022](#) minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

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:

Motion 22	304	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the August 23, 2022 minutes
Motion 22	305	To approve the 11th Judicial District Community Corrections FY 2023 Carryover Reimbursement Budget and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 22	306	To approve a credit card through Labette Bank with a spending limit of \$8,000 for the new Health Department Director Debra Anthony
Motion 22	307	To cancel the Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners on September 6, 2022 due to the Labor Day Holiday on Monday
Motion 22	308	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 a contract for EMS and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:18 AM

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Motion 22	309	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 Road & Bridge regulations and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:34 AM
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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Bryce Zirfas & Ms. Marlene Spence, KDHE Surface Mining Unit discussing reclamation project. They discussed the safety issues of the old surface mining strip pits and the plans to place new larger culverts on both 230th and 600th Ave at the beginning of the project. Commissioner Moody voiced concerns about the roads being closed as they are high traffic areas with people commuting between Frontenac and Arma as well as the chicken restaurants.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: County Grant Writer Gus Brunetti discussing Regional Planning Commission. Mr. Brunetti discussed the Regional Transportation Planning Grant through the SEK Regional Planning Commission. He stated that the county portion of project would be \$5407.48 which is 20% of the total cost. Mr. Brunetti explained that this project would allow for the areas involved to have someone come in and address the transportation needs based on safety issues in the area.

On motion (22-311) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve Crawford County's participation and the 20% funding in the Regional Transportation Planning Grant through the SEK Regional Planning Commission and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-elected Personnel.

On motion (22-312) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more

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than 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Health Department Director Deborah Anthony and Executive Administrator of Health Department Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 10:37 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 10:17 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:37 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS continued

Item Two: Crawford County Executive Administrator for Health, Mental Health, and Juvenile Justice services Michael Ehling announced that Ms. Deborah Anthony is the newly appointed Crawford County Health Department Director and Crawford County Health Officer. Mr. Ehling gave background information on Ms. Anthony including her last 11 years at Crawford County Health Department.

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Emerson presented the ARPA draw down request for the month of August. He listed the departments and amounts requested in the draw down. He also stated that all the MOUs for the large ARPA Child Care funding should be sent out by today or tomorrow.

On motion (22-313) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the ARPA drawdown request for August.

On a Roll Call Vote.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Commissioner Bruce Blair addressed putting beds on the 1-ton trucks at a cost of \$15,000 per unit. He also discussed liquidating and selling some of the old equipment that has been replaced or no longer in use.

On motion (22-314) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the purchase of new truck beds for the 1-ton trucks at a price of \$15,000 per unit.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

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OLD BUSINESS:

Item One: Commissioner Jeremy Johnson questioned where the county stood with the current burn ban. It is confirmed to still be active.

Item Two: Commissioner Jeremy Johnson discussed the KDOT bridge tool that has been released and will be forwarding the information on the tool to Road and Bridge Coordinator Alyssa Edwards and County Counselor Jim Emerson. He explained that there will be a webinar on Wednesday, September 7th at 10:00 AM on tool training and feedback. He also gave information on upcoming follow up meetings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Non-elected Personnel.

On motion (22-315) 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 10 minutes to discuss the Road and Bridge Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Road and Bridge Coordinator Alyssa Edwards and to reconvene by 11:05 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 10:55 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:05 AM with no action taken except to go back into executive session.

Item Three: Commissioner Blair requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Non-elected Personnel.

On motion (22-316) 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 10 minutes 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 11:18 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

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The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:08 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:15 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: September 2, 2022 – 9:00 AM Work Session with the Bukaty Companies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: The burn ban is still in effect and will remain in effect until lifted by the Board of County Commissioners.

Item Two: September 5, 2022 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of Labor Day.

Item Three: September 6, 2022 – The Board of County Commissioners Regular Session is cancelled due to the Labor Day Holiday on Monday.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [August 30, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:16 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken RR 8/30/2022 11:16 AM/amended RR 8/31/22 2:00 PM/amended BKW 9/1/2022 11:00 AM