

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, Friday, August 5, 2022, 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.

Commissioner Jeremy Johnson was 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 (22-275) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

- 1. Approval of the July 29, 2022 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

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:

Table with 3 columns: Motion ID, Number, and Description. Rows include Motion 22 (265) regarding consent agenda approval, Motion 22 (266) regarding a \$500 donation to a Little League team, and Motion 22 (267) regarding a recess and executive session.

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Motion 22	268	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 11:14 AM
Motion 22	269	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Ms. Debra Anthony via telephone call and to reconvene by 11:23 AM
Motion 22	270	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Health Director Teddi VanKam via telephone call and to reconvene by 11:33 AM
Motion 22	271	To approve the appointment of Ms. Debra Anthony as the interim Crawford County Health Department Director effective Monday, August 1, 2022
Motion 22	272	To approve sponsoring the Southeast Kansas Recycling Golf Tournament in the amount of \$500
Motion 22	273	To approve the ARPA drawdown request for July
Motion 22	274	To approve the Crawford County 2023 Budget for publication

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 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Michael Ehling, Executive Administrator presenting the Mental Health Community Service Award. He explained that every year this award is presented to someone who has made a contribution to advancing mental health in the community. He stated that this year the award is given to Mr. Ron Albertini. Mr. Ehling stated that Mr. Albertini served on the Mental Health Governing Board for over 25 years and was instrumental in advancing the purchase of the land in Frontenac as a nature preserve and invested a lot of time and energy in creating the trails and mapping out the preserve. Mr. Ehling presented the award to Mr. Albertini's widow, Ms. Willa Albertini. Ms. Albertini thanked Mr. Ehling and stated that Ron really wanted to help out with the preserve and always wanted to help the community. Ms. Albertini introduced her family members that were present, her sister Ms. Reta Fuqua and her daughter Ms. Heather Albertini. Commissioner Moody stated that he worked with Ron in different aspects of the county for over 25 years and that Ron was wonderful to work with and everything he did for Crawford County was greatly appreciated. Commissioner Johnson and County Counselor Jim Emerson both expressed what a great guy Ron was to work with.

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Item Two: Mr. Ehling presented a recommendation from the Mental Health Governing Board & Health Department Advisory Board to appoint Ms. Robin Brock to the CCMHC Governing Board & Health Department Advisory Board. Commissioner Moody stated that the county is very fortunate to have the dedication of the individuals that are willing to serve on these boards and thanked Mr. Ehling for bringing forth the individuals to serve on the boards. Commissioner Johnson requested a list of all the board members.

On motion (22-276) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the appointment of Ms. Robin Brock to the CCMHC Governing Board & Health Department Advisory Board as recommended by the Mental Health Governing Board & Health Department Advisory Board.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker requested that the Board of County Canvassers meet on August 12, 2022 at 9:00 AM to canvas the ballots from the 2022 Primary Election. The Commissioners agreed.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker gave an update on the 2022 Primary Election that was held on Tuesday, August 2, 2022. She stated that everything went well and the post-election audit was held on Thursday, August 4, 2022 and everything turned out great. She explained that there was a record turnout for a Primary Election.

Item Three: County Clerk Lisa Lusker presented the July 2022 Clerk's Report. The Commissioners tabled the report until Commissioner Blair is in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

On motion (22-277) 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 than 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Ms. Debra Anthony and Mr. Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 10:33 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:13 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:33 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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NEW BUSINESS continued

Item Four: Mr. Emerson presented the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation 2022 Emergency Solutions Grant award to Safehouse Crisis Center Inc. in the total amount of \$21,568. He stated that Crawford County is required to be the Grantee for the grant and Safehouse Crisis Center Inc is the Sub-Grantee. Mr. Emerson explained the documents included in the grant award packet.

On motion (22-278) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation 2022 Emergency Solutions Grant award to Safehouse Crisis Center Inc. in the total amount of \$21,568 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

Item Five: Mr. Emerson presented a request from the Board of Trustees of Crawford County Fire District No 1 for a purchasing card for Crawford County Fire District #1 with a credit limit of \$2,500.

On motion (22-279) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the issuance of a purchasing card for Crawford County Fire District #1 with a credit limit of \$2,500.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item One: Mr. Emerson gave an update on the Crawford County Tax Foreclosure Sale that was held on July 29, 2022 at 1:00 PM. He stated that there were quite a few bidders interested in the properties. He said that over \$30,000 was generated and there was a small amount of properties in this sale and more importantly those properties will get back on the tax rolls. Mr. Emerson stated that the next sale will be around of the first of the year and will be a double year sale and those are being served now. He stated by the end of next year, the sales should be caught up and each year one sale will be held.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

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

On motion (22-280) 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 than 15 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to

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include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:58 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting: Commissioner Blair

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:43 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:58 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: August 9, 2022 – Mr. Bobby Clark, McCune City Mayor addressing issues in McCune.

Item Two: August 12, 2022 – 9:00 AM The Board of County Canvassers will meet to canvas the ballots from the 2022 Primary Election with the Regular Session commencing immediately after the canvass.

Item Three: August 16, 2022 – 8:30 AM Work Session with the Arnold Group.

Item Four: August 19, 2022 -- 9:00 AM Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner to discuss ARPA child care funding.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [August 5, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:02 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

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.

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Lisa Lusker
County Clerk



This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.
Taken [BKW 8/5/2022 11:02 AM/amended BKW 8/7/2022 3:30 PM](#)