

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2021, **THIRD** MEETING
Reorganization

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, **Monday, January 11, 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 Bruce Blair served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Jeremy Johnson were in attendance.

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

Chairman Blair led the pledge of allegiance.

County Clerk Don Pyle reported that Mr. Tom Moody, Mr. Donald Pyle, Ms. Sandy Casey, Ms. Reina Probert and Mr. Danny Smith, have been duly administered the Oath of Office at 9:15 AM this day by the Honorable Michael Loy, District Court Judge for the 11th Judicial District. The oaths of office have been signed by each of the newly elected officials and by Judge Loy and filed in the office of the County Clerk.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (21-014) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **January 8, 2020** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

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:

Motion 21	9	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the January 5, 2020 minutes
Motion 21	10	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 Executive Director of Health, Mental Health & Juvenile Services Mr. Michael

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		Ehling and to reconvene by 10:50 AM
Motion 21	11	To approve the Kansas Housing Resource Corporation Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Recipient Request for Reimbursement and Financial Status Report in the amount of \$10,045.00 and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 21	12	To adopt Resolution #2021-001, A Resolution Establishing an Early Retirement Program for Crawford County Employees
Motion 21	13	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 address Health Insurance and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:15 AM

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

REORGANIZATION

The time having arrived, pursuant to Kansas Statutes Annotated Chapter 19, Article 2, Section 19, to reorganize the Board of Crawford County Commissioners, the Board took the following action to fulfill their statutory obligations:

Item One: Election of the Chairman.

On motion (21-015) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the nomination of Commissioner Jeremy Johnson to serve as Chairman of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners for a one-year term commencing immediately.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Commissioner Blair pass the gavel to Commissioner Johnson.

Commissioner Johnson assumed the duties of the presiding officer.

Item Two: Election of the Vice Chairman

On motion (21-016) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the nomination of Commissioner Tom Moody to serve as Vice Chairman of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners for a one-year term commencing immediately.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

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**PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS
MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH
MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC
MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS
MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS
NEW BUSINESS**

Item One: The time having arrived to name the official working banks for the business of the taxpayers of Crawford County, the following were recommended as the current working banks of the county: Exchange State Bank of Girard, GNBANK, Commerce Bank and Equity Bank.

On motion (21-017) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to name Exchange State Bank of Girard, GNBANK, Commerce Bank and Equity Bank as the official working banks for the business of the taxpayers of Crawford County for a period of one year commencing immediately.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: The time having arrived to name the official newspaper publication of Crawford County and the following was recommended as the current official newspaper of the county: the *Pittsburg Morning Sun*.

On motion (21-018) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to name the *Pittsburg Morning Sun* as the official newspaper publication of Crawford County for a period of one year commencing immediately.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: County Clerk stated that the Courthouse will be closed on January 18, 2021 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The Commissioners decided to cancel the regular session scheduled for January 19, 2021.

On motion (21-019) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to cancel the Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners scheduled for January 19, 2021 due to the holiday on Monday, January 18, 2021.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

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Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle addressed the property, casualty, liability and work comp insurance renewal through Ryan Insurance for 2021. He stated that the policies renew January 14, 2021, and that the proposal has been reviewed by the Commissioners.

On motion (21-020) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the renewal proposal from Ryan Insurance for Property, Casualty, Liability and Work Comp insurance for 2021.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Commissioner Johnson addressed Crawford County Sewer District #2. The Commissioners would like to schedule a work session with Zoning Administrator May Smith and Sewer Operator Coby Hinton to discuss the sewer district. Commissioner Moody addressed some ongoing nuisance issues that need to be addressed with Ms. Smith. Commissioner Blair stated that he has spoken to Senator Hilderbrand about a bill on nuisance violations and the county's authority. Mr. Pyle will contact all parties to schedule a work session.

Item Three: Commissioner Johnson addressed employee evaluations and Mr. Emerson gave a brief update on the status of the evaluations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: January 15, 2021 – 9:30 AM Work Session with 911 Director Tim Mikrut to discuss a tower project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: January 12, 2021 – The Board of County Commissioner Regular Session is cancelled due to the Reorganization Meeting being held on January 11, 2021.

Item Two: January 18, 2021 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Item Three: January 19, 2021 -- The Board of County Commissioner Regular Session is cancelled due to the Monday, January 18, 2021 holiday.

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UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [January 11, 2021](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:06 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

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.

Don Pyle
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken by BKW 1/11/2021 11:06 AM/amended BKW 1/14/2021 11:40 AM