

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, FOURTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, Tuesday, January 18, 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 Bruce Blair 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.

Vice-Chairman Blair led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING
CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (22-023) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

- 1. Approval of the January 11, 2022 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 610861 to 611088 dated January 14, 2022 in the total amount of \$813,357.42.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

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 number, Vote count, and Description of motion. Row 1: Motion 22, 13 votes, 'That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the January 7, 2022 minutes'. Row 2: Motion 22, 14 votes, 'To approve the nomination of Commissioner Tom Moody to serve as Chairman of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners for a one-year term commencing immediately'. Row 3: Motion 22, 15 votes, 'To approve the nomination of Commissioner Bruce Blair to serve as Vice Chairman of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners for a one-year term commencing immediately'.

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Motion 22	16	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
Motion 22	17	To name the <i>Pittsburg Morning Sun</i> as the official newspaper publication of Crawford County for a period of one year commencing immediately
Motion 22	18	To approve the Tax Roll Correction, correcting an error in the assessing of a 16/20M Truck owned by Ron & Linda White and to request a refund in the amount of \$24.00 from the 2020 tax rolls and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 22	19	To approve the appointment of Mr. Robert Murnan, 1313 Mallory Ct, Pittsburg to the Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging Governing Board as the Crawford County Member
Motion 22	20	To approve the contract between Crawford County & Capitol Strategies LLC to provide monitoring and reporting representation to Crawford County through the 2022 Legislative Session at a cost of \$15,000 and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 22	21	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss acquisition of property and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:33 AM
Motion 22	22	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 county policy and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:37 AM

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

Item One: Opening of Rock Bids. County Clerk Lisa Lusker opened the Rock Bids. She stated that there were two bids received, Mulberry Limestone Quarry Co and Midwest Minerals Inc. Commissioner Blair read the bids aloud and stated that the Scale Test Reports are included with the bids.

The Commissioners decided to give the rock bids to Triad Environmental Consultants to review and make recommendations.

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

Item One: Mr. Brian Hanson addressed the Commissioners and discussed what took place when he was contacted that his son has come into contact with a positive case. He discussed concerns with quarantines in schools. He also addressed concerns with false positives.

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Item Two: Mr. Roger Lomshek addressed the Commissioners with concerns with positive cases, isolation and quarantines in school children. He addressed issues with false positive and false negative testing. Mr. Lomshek discussed the obligations by law of County Health Officer Dr. Tim Stebbins. He also discussed in school spread of COVID and close contact spread of COVID in school children. He addressed masking in schools. He spoke about the affect this had on teachers, counselors and school children.

Item Three: Mr. Jared Pile addressed the Commissioners. He discussed issues with masking, isolations and quarantines in school children.

The Commissioners thanked the public for their comments and the information and facts that have been presented.

**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 Counselor Jim Emerson stated that Commissioner Johnson and himself attended the Crawford County Solid Waste Board Meeting last week. He explained that each year an annual meeting is held and an annual summary of the Crawford County Solid Waste plan is done. He stated that every 5 years a thorough review of the plan is done. He said that Triad is the county's consultant. Mr. Emerson went through the items that were addressed in the meeting and included in the summary which included illegal dumping, a report given by Mr. Matt Sanders on the Oak Grove Landfill, renewal of the county agreement with Oak Grove Landfill and SEK Recycling efforts. He wanted to make sure the public is aware that there is still a free dump day each month at the landfill. He also discussed the options available at the Recycling Center.

On motion (22-024) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the Annual Summary & Review of the Crawford County Solid Waste Plan.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated that District Court Administrator Mac Young has requested a Work Session at 8:30 AM, January 21, 2022. The Commissioners agreed.

Item Three: Commissioner Johnson stated that the SEK Recycling Center had their first meeting of the year last week and it was reported that last year ended financially better than any other year. He discussed efforts the center is making to make the public aware of their operations and how important recycling is. Commissioner Blair addressed the center working with the schools in recycling efforts and teaching the students about recycling.

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OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Ms. Lusker stated that today is the USD 250 Special Bond Election and the polls are open until 7:00 PM.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson addressed the distribution of the Intellectual Disabilities fund and Ms. Lusker stated that all the numbers are not complete and she will address this on Friday.

Item Three: Commissioner Blair stated that the project on the Chicopee property is going on schedule.

Item Four: Commissioner Johnson addressed the salt shed and Commissioner Blair stated that it is ready for the structure to be put up.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

On motion (22-025) of Commissioner Blair 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 and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:15 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:55 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:15 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

On motion (22-026) of Commissioner Blair 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 Road & Bridge Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:31 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:16 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:27 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: January 21, 2022 – 8:30 AM Work Session with District Court Administrator Mac Young and other District Court representatives to discuss District Court.

Item Two: January 21, 2022 – 9:30 AM Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner to address ARPA Funding.

Item Three: January 21, 2022 – Mr. Brad Stroud, Director, Live Well Crawford County with update on Live Well.

Item Four: January 25, 2022 – 9:00 AM Work Session with the Shop Foremen and the 3 Road Foremen to discuss equipment.

Item Five: January 25, 2022 – Mr. Matt Godinez, Director of the SEK Regional Planning Committee with update.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: January 26, 2022 – 2022 Local Government Day in Topeka. All three Commissioners may be in attendance.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [January 18, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:30 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

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 by BKW 1/18/2022 11:30 AM/amended BKW 1/20/2022 1:00 PM