

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, **SECOND** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, **Friday, January 7, 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 Jeremy Johnson served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Bruce Blair were in attendance.

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

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (22-007) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **January 4, 2022** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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 22	1	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the December 28, 2021
Motion 22	2	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, Dr. Timothy Stebbins, Ms. Teddi Van Kam and Mr. Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 10:30 AM
Motion 22	3	To approve the December 2021 Clerk's Report as presented
Motion 22	4	To approve the reappointment of Judge Brunetti, Judiciary

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		Representative, Jerry Waltrip, General Representative and Brent Narges, Law Enforcement Representative to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board for an additional 3 years with terms ending in June 2024
Motion 22	5	To approve the cost-of-living increase that was included in the 2022 budget
Motion 22	6	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the employee evaluations under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:05 AM

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

Item One: Ryan Insurance presenting insurance renewal. Mr. Wally Wilson, Ms. Pam Mendicki and Mr. Blake Barto were present. Mr. Wilson handed out the 2022-2023 Ryan Insurance Proposal. Mr. Wilson went through the proposal for property coverage and explained the increase in building values and insurance premium. He also discussed coverages for some of the buildings. Mr. Wilson went through the General Liability Coverage and discussed the rate increases. He discussed Employee Benefits Liability and Mr. Moody asked Mr. Wilson to check into increasing the Employee Benefit Aggregate and an umbrella policy for this coverage. He went through the crime coverage and explained the coverages. He went through the business auto coverages and stated there are minimal changes from last year and would like the county to look into an umbrella policy for auto coverage. Mr. Wilson stated that vehicles 2004 and older carry liability coverage only and vehicles 2005 and newer carry full coverage with a few exceptions which are listed in the proposal. Commissioner Blair was answered that the vehicles can be covered case by case with liability or full coverage. Mr. Wilson and Ms. Mendicki explained coverages and deductibles on certain vehicles. Mr. Wilson addressed the equipment floater and stated that the rate stayed the same as last year and the coverage is actual cash value and not replacement cost. He explained the difference between content coverage and the inland marine coverage on the equipment. Mr. Wilson addressed the Linebacker Coverage and the Law Enforcement Coverage and stated that the Law Enforcement Coverage has gone up 33% from last year and the Linebacker Coverage has increased 15% and the increase for the two coverages is \$12,000 and is 1/3 of the total premium increase. He went through the Workers Compensation Coverage and explained the MOD increase. He spoke about a Nurse on Call program and the benefits to the program. Mr. Wilson went through the total premiums and increases. Commissioner Moody asked about the increases over the last 5 years and asked that Mr. Wilson bring that information when he comes with the information on the Employee Benefit coverage that was requested. Commissioner Blair stated that the vehicle list needs to be reviewed by the departments. Commissioner Moody was answered that the policy renews on

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January 14, 2022. The Commissioners decided to renew the policy and make adjustments after the lists are reviewed.

On motion (22-008) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the 2022-2023 Insurance Proposal from Ryan Insurance.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Michael Ehling, Executive Director of Health, Mental Health & Juvenile Services addressed the Commissioners. He stated that he is here today to address Restorative Justice Authority. He said that RJA recently went under their audit through the Kansas Department of Corrections and explained the areas covered in the audit. Mr. Ehling said that RJA received an exceptional compliance to standards and an exceptional adherence to evidence-based practices and no corrective plan required and this rarely happens in this type of audits. He wanted to thank RJA Director Ms. Angie Hadley and her staff for doing an excellent job. Mr. Ehling also discussed the Truancy Diversion Grant that RJA was awarded. Mr. Hadley addressed the Commissioners and explained the Truancy Diversion Grant.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Mr. Michael Ehling requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (22-009) 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 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss legal issues of the Truancy Diversion Grant and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, Mr. Michael Ehling, Ms. Angie Hadley and Ms. Heidi Moody and to reconvene by 11:10 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 10:50 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:09 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

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On motion (22-010) of Commissioner Blair 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 10 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 11:20 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 11:10 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:20 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker stated that the USD 250 Special Bond Election will be held on January 18, 2022. The only voters eligible to vote are those who are registered in the USD 250 School District. She explained that early voting is available in the County Clerk's Office until noon on January 17, 2022.

Item Two: Ms. Lusker presented the Commissioners with the Statement of Conditional Lease Purchase Agreements by Department. She stated that she added the last column which is the approximate balance as of 1/1/2022 and she should have that exact amount next month sometime. The Commissioners thanked Ms. Lusker for the information.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson stated that he has spoke to Mr. Mike Bodensteiner and he has requested a work session on January 21, 2022 at 9:30 AM to mainly discuss the city's requests for ARPA funding. The Commissioners agreed on the work session.

Item Four: Commissioner Blair stated that he spoke to Shop Foreman Josh Peak about any issues due to the cold weather and Mr. Peak stated that so far there have been no issues. There was a discussion on the spreader boxes.

Item Five: Commissioner Moody stated that he would like to have a meeting with the Road Foremen and Mr. Peak to discuss what equipment might be needed this year. Commissioner Blair stated that he would also like Mr. Peak to go through the list of equipment and vehicles that are insured to make sure it is current. The Commissioners scheduled a 9:00 AM work session on January 25, 2022 with the Mr. Peak and the 3 Road Foremen.

OLD BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

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

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On motion (22-011) of Commissioner Johnson 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 10 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 11:36 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 11:26 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:36 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Four: Commissioner Johnson requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-012) of Commissioner Johnson 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 10 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 11:47 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 11:37 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:47 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: January 11, 2022 – Crawford County Board of Commissioners Reorganizational Meeting.

Item Two: January 14, 2022 – Opening of Rock Bids.

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Item One: January 17, 2022 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

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 7, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:51 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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken by [BKW 1/7/2022 11:51 AM/amended BKW 1/10/2022 1:00 PM](#)