

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, **FIFTY-THIRD** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, **Friday, July 29, 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.

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 (22-265) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **July 26, 2022** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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	259	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the July 22, 2022 minutes
Motion 22	260	To adopt Resolution #2022-007, the Authority to Award Contract Commitment of County Funds for Project Number 019 C-5067-01 HSIP C496(222)
Motion 22	261	To approve the ARPA funding draw down request
Motion 22	262	To cancel the Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners on August 2, 2022 due to the 2022 Primary Election Day

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Motion 22	263	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 10:37 AM
Motion 22	264	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the IT Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and IT Director Brandon Spaur and to reconvene by 10:46 AM

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

Item One: Pittsburg 12 year and under All Star Little League team requesting assistance with trip to regionals in Indianapolis. Each player on the team introduced themselves, stated the position they play on the team and what school they attend. One of the team members spoke and explained what they have achieved to be able to play in Indianapolis and stated they are looking for donations for travel expenses.

On motion (22-266) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve a donation of \$500 to the Pittsburg 12 year and under All Star Little League team to help with travel expenses to the regionals in Indianapolis.

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. Mac Young, District Court Administrator presented the FY 2023 11th Judicial District Court budget request. He explained that the 2022 allotment was \$422,500 and this year's request is for \$438,000 which an increase of \$15,500. Mr. Young stated that there was an increase in the attorney contracts, some computers that need replaced and a magistrate judge coming on board that will require some expense in getting set up.

Item Two: Mr. Young also addressed putting on an addition to the Judicial Center. He explained where the addition will be located and what offices will be need to be housed in the new addition.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker requested a work session on August 16, 2022 at 8:30 AM with the Arnold Group to discuss the job description project. The Commissioners agreed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 30 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-267) 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 30 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 and to reconvene by 10:52 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:22 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:52 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Tom Moody requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-268) 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 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.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:54 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:07 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

On motion (22-269) 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 include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Ms. Debra Anthony via telephone call and to reconvene by 11:23 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Nays:

Present but not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:08 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:17 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

On motion (22-270) 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 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.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:18 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:26 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

NEW BUSINESS continued:

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated that the county has been conducting a public search for a new Health Department Director and that search is still ongoing. He explained that since the search has taken more time than anticipated and due to the transition of the current Health Director coming up, the Commissioners have decided to appoint Ms. Debra Anthony as the interim Crawford County Health Department Director effective Monday, August 8, 2022.

On motion (22-271) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the appointment of Ms. Debra Anthony as the interim Crawford County Health Department Director effective Monday, August 1, 2022.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Commissioner Blair stated that the Cherokee City Mayor contacted him about the city's chip and seal project for next year and Commissioner Blair advised the mayor to let the Commissioners know of the city's plans ahead of time so the county can make plans to assist.

Item Four: Commissioner Johnson stated that the SEK Regional Planning Commission had a discussion at the Infrastructure Summit on regional transportation and they are going to hold a follow up meeting on Tuesday in Chanute at the Regional Planning

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Office. He stated that he has another meeting on that day and will be unable to attend the meeting but suggested that County Grant Writer Gus Brunetti attend since he was at the Infrastructure Summit. The other Commissioners agreed. Commissioner Johnson stated that he will be attending a regional housing meeting in Pittsburg on Tuesday.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item One: Mr. Emerson presented the sponsorship form for the Southeast Kansas Recycling Golf Tournament. The Commissioners decided to sponsor the tournament in the amount of \$500. Commissioner Johnson stated that this is the 3rd tournament the center has held.

On motion (22-272) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve sponsoring the Southeast Kansas Recycling Golf Tournament in the amount of \$500.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting: Commissioner Johnson

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson presented the ARPA draw down request for the month of July.

On motion (22-273) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the ARPA drawdown request for July.

On a Roll Call Vote.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Commissioner Blair addressed the 2023 County budget. The Commissioners will set the hearing date at a later time.

On motion (22-274) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the Crawford County 2023 Budget for publication.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Johnson and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Four: Commissioner Blair gave a brief update on the dust control issue.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: July 29, 2022 – Work Session on the 2023 Budget immediately after the regular session.

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

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

Item Three: August 12, 2022 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner to discuss ARPA child care funding.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: July 29, 2022 – Crawford County Tax Foreclosure Sale at 1:00 PM on the 3rd Floor of the Courthouse in the Courtroom.

Item Two: August 2, 2022 – 2022 Primary Election Day. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

Item Three: August 2, 2022 – The Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners is cancelled due to Election Day.

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 [July 29, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:35 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

◇

This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken BKW 7/29/2022 11:35 AM/amended BKW 8/4/2022 10:00 AM