

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2021, FORTY-SECOND MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, Tuesday, June 15, 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 Jeremy Johnson served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Bruce Blair were in attendance.

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

Chairman Johnson led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (21-180) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **June 11, 2021** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 606537 to 606775 dated June 15, 2021 in the total amount of \$467,155.72.

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	176	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the June 8, 2021 minutes
Motion 21	177	To approve a credit card from Labette Bank with a credit limit of \$8,000 for Crawford County Health Department Director Ms. Teddi Van Kam
Motion 21	178	To approve the Kansas Housing Resource Corporation Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) Recipient Request for Reimbursement and Financial Status Report in the amount of \$2,564.00
Motion 21	179	To approve the Sales Agreement from Foley Equipment for a new Caterpillar Wheel Loader and authorize the Chairman to sign

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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 THE PUBLIC

Item One: Mr. Glen Peak addressed the Commissioners in reference to the county roads. He stated that there are some road problems in the 1st district that have been going on for several years and the roads are not being maintained properly. Mr. Peak stated that he lives in Sheridan Township and that rock is being put on roads that are not ready for rock. He explained how he felt the roads need to be maintained. Commissioner Moody stated that the grader operators are sent to classes periodically to fine tune their skills on maintaining the roads. Commissioner Moody suggested to have someone go out and look at the roads in question. Commissioner Blair stated that he has never told his crew not to maintain a road and that his district has more county roads than the other districts. He explained the issues with COVID-19, weather and safety. There were other individuals in the audience that also expressed concerns with the roads in the same area Mr. Peak is addressing. There was a lengthy discussion on the issues with the roads and the process in trying to maintain the roads and the problems encountered with weather and also manpower and resources that are available.

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Appraiser Zach Edwards requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (21-181) 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 Appraiser's Office under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Appraiser Zach Edwards and to reconvene by 10:36 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 10:26 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:35 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle stated that today is the deadline to send assessed valuation and the revenue neutral rate to all the entities in the County. He stated that Crawford County values are done but he is waiting on values and revenue neutral rate calculations from other counties that share school districts with our county. He stated he is working on the first draft of the budget.

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Item Two: Commissioner Blair stated he visited the Health Department for personal reasons and is very impressed with the services offered at the Health Department.

Item Three: Commissioner Blair discussed bids for concrete work needed on the Highway 69 ambulance building drive way.

Item Four: Commissioner Moody stated that he received several calls over the weekend in reference to the changes in Sunday sale hours for cereal malt beverages and alcohol off premise sales. Mr. Emerson stated he is working on a resolution and will have it ready on Friday for the county. Mr. Pyle explained that the county resolution will cover the sales outside the city limits but each city must address the sales in their city. He said that he sent a copy of the 2021 Amendments to Kansas Liquor Laws to the City Clerk's and made sure they understood the process in making these changes. He stated that he also requested copies of the cities' original resolutions allowing Sunday sales and asked if they had started the process of allowing expanded hours for liquor sales on Sundays.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated that the Courthouse will be closed on Monday, July 5, 2021, for the Independence Day Holiday. He explained that the county handbook states that if the holiday falls on Sunday the following Monday will be declared the holiday and if the holiday falls on Saturday the previous Friday will be declared the holiday.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson addressed chip and seal oil bids. He stated that Asphalt Foreman Randy Chiartano has reviewed the bids and recommends the low bid from Wright Asphalt Company.

On motion (21-182) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the bid from Wright Asphalt Company for chip and seal oil for the Road & Bridge Department as recommended by Asphalt Foreman Randy Chiartano and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson addressed a Resolution of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners Authorizing Participation in Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Repayment Program for Calendar Year 2021. He displayed a map of the counties that are participating and explained which counties are contributing money to the program. He suggested that the county start out with a total of \$15,000 which is \$1,500 per slot for up to 10 slots and the state would contribute the other half. The Commissioners decided to readdress this on Friday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

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On motion (21-183) 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 Appraiser Position under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:08 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 10:58 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:08 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: June 29, 2021 – 8:30 AM Work Session to review and sign June bills and payroll vouchers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: July 5, 2021 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [June 15, 2021](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:11 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 6/15/2021 11:11 AM/amended BKW 6/17/2021 1:00 PM