

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2016, TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS Tuesday, March 22, 2016, 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 Carl Wood and Jeff Murphy were in attendance. County Clerk Don Pyle 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 (16-101) of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **March 18, 2016** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

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 16	100	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the March 15, 2016 minutes
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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Kevin Cowan with Gilmore & Bell, bond council for Girard Medical Center spoke in reference to the refinancing of bonds issued in 2009. Mr. Cowan

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explained that refunding the bonds with lower interest bonds is the reasoning for doing this. He stated that a refinancing will result in a new payment schedule that will lower payments. He stated the only formal action needed from the Commissioners is adopting a resolution authorizing the supplemental documents and move forward with the refinancing. Mr. Emerson stated he has reviewed the documents and has no issues with it. Mr. Cowan stated that the anticipated closing is on March 30, 2016. Mr. Cowan presented Resolution #2016-007, a Resolution authorizing Crawford County, Kansas to enter into a supplemental lease with option to purchase No. 1, dated March 30, 2016 which supplements a lease with option to purchase between the County and the Crawford County, Kansas Public Building Commission, dated September 9, 2009 whereby the County will continue to lease from the Public Building Commission certain property, and to enter into a supplemental sublease No. 1 with Hospital District No. 1, Crawford County, Kansas, which supplements a sublease, dated September 9, 2009, whereby the County will continue to sublease such property to Hospital District No. 1, Crawford County, Kansas; approving the form of said supplemental lease with option to purchase No. 1 and supplemental sublease No. 1; and authorizing the execution thereof and certain related documents.

On motion (16-102) of Commissioner Murphy and the second of Commissioner Moody to adopt Resolution #2016-007, a Resolution authorizing Crawford County, Kansas to enter into a supplemental lease with option to purchase No. 1, dated March 30, 2016 which supplements a lease with option to purchase between the County and the Crawford County, Kansas Public Building Commission, dated September 9, 2009.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

Item One: Mr. Murphy said that he requested that the City of Pittsburg speak with the Commissioners about the changes the City has made in their health and dental insurance coverage for their employees. Mr. Daron Hall, City Manager and Mr. Jamie Clarkson Finance Director for the City of Pittsburg stated that they had stepped away from Blue Cross and Blue Shield and bid out the insurance to save money. Mr. Hall stated that the City looked at a 5 year financial forecast and the biggest cost center was the employees. Mr. Hall stated that they had been with Blue Cross/Blue Shield for over 50 years but for financial reasons had to step away. Mr. Hall stated that they did not want to decrease benefits but did want better rates. Mr. Hall state they had the Gallagher Group come in and other consultants and talk about the options the city had with their health insurance and they decided to bid out for a health insurance provider. Mr. Clarkson stated that the City is still self-insured and still pay their own claims. Mr. Hall and Mr. Clarkson explained how the change took place and the outcome of the change and answered all the Commissioner's questions. There was a discussion about the rates and deductibles and what the City's employees have to pay for their coverage out of their pocket. Mr. Hall and Mr. Clarkson explained that they have 5 separate companies to administer their benefits, Truss Advantage is the consultant, Core Source is the 3rd party administrator,

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HST is the claims processor, ProviDRs Care is the providers network, Delta Dental is the Dental insurance and MedTrax is the Pharmaceutical Insurance and each one of these aspects were bid out separately. They also discussed programs they implemented to try and keep health care costs down. The Commission thanked Mr. Hall and Mr. Clarkson for talking with them and for their input.

Mr. John Chalafant from Gallagher Group answered the Commission that the County could bid out the county insurance and in his opinion thinks the county could save money. He stated that the bidding process would need to start soon. Mr. Wood discussed educating County employees on the coverage they currently have with the insurance. Mr. Rick Pfeiffer spoke about the benefits to County employees using the Health Department, Mental Health Department and the Drug and Alcohol assessing. Mr. Chalafant stated that he will get back with the Commissioners.

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle requested an executive session to discuss personnel issues involving non-elected personnel for a period of not more than 15 minutes and to include himself, County Counselor Jim Emerson and the three Commissioners.

On motion (16-103) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Clerk Don Pyle.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood and Murphy

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:15 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:25 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: March 25, 2016 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Sheriff Peak on county radios and equipment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Item One: March 25, 2016 – The Courthouse will close at 2:00 PM in observance of Good Friday.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [March 22, 2016](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:25 **AM** and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Murphy, Wood and Murphy

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 3/22/16 11:25 AM/amended BKW 03/23/2016 2:20 PM](#)