

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2023, **SIXTIETH** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Tuesday, August 15, 2023 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.

Chairman Bruce Blair served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Carl Wood were in attendance.

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

Chairman Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (23-324) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **August 11, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 623680 to 623983 dated August 15, 2023 in the total amount of \$391,993.31.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood, 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 23	322	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the August 8, 2023 minutes
Motion 23	323	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, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Health Department Director Debra Anthony and to reconvene by 10:23 AM

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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker requested a work session on the 2024 County Budget. The Commissioners scheduled a work session for 9:00 AM August 22, 2023.

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson presented a landowner request to exclude land previously annexed into the City of Girard. He handed out a map of the property and gave background information on the reason why the island annexation took place in 2017 and said that the county approved this annexation. Mr. Emerson stated that he has spoke with the City of Girard and they have no objections in excluding the land from the city. He explained that by State Statute, the County is required to hold a hearing. He said that the County must provide notice of the hearing to the landowner, the city, the township and any special districts and it must be at least a 21-day notice by certified mail. Mr. Emerson requested a hearing date of September 19, 2023.

On motion (23-325) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to set a hearing date of September 19, 2023 on excluding land previously annexed into the City of Girard.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood, and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Emerson stated that he searched the KAC website and obtained estimates on LAVTR and he explained the amount Crawford County should receive. He stated that this issue should be discussed in the conference in December.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated that the Crawford County Back Tax Foreclose sale will be held today at 1:00 PM and 3 properties have been redeemed since the minimum bids were set. He explained that #31 (202 W Spruce, Cherokee), #32 (401 Suncrest, Pittsburg), #50 (722 E 19th, Pittsburg) all have been redeemed. He stated that he will announce these redemptions before the sale. Mr. Emerson stated that he will give an update on the sale next Tuesday.

Item three: Mr. Emerson updated the Commissioners on a bill for transportation services that Commissioner Wood had questions on. He explained that there was an agreement several years ago between Crawford County EMS and Via Christi for non medical

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psychiatric transfers. He stated that it was decided to contract with a trained individual who previously did transports for Juvenile Justice who had met all the qualifications and the cost was split between the county and Via Christi for this contract. There was a discussion on reimbursement for these services and Mr. Emerson will check into this.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: August 22, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session on 2024 County Budget.

Item Two: August 22, 2023 – Work Session with Mr. Robert Gorentz and Mr. Aaron Crozier immediately after the Regular Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: August 15, 2023 – Crawford County Tax Foreclosure Sale at 1:00 PM on the 3rd Floor of the Courthouse.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to adjourn the [August 15, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:15 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood, 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

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

Taken BKW 8/15/23 10:15 AM/amended BKW 8/17/23 10:45 AM