

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2022, **EIGHTH** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS, **Tuesday, February 1, 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 (22-051)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **January 28, 2022** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the January 28, 2022 minutes of the Board of County Canvassers.

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	45	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the January 25, 2022 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners and Approval of the January 25, 2022 minutes of the Board of County Canvassers
Motion 22 CANVASS	46	To open the Friday, January 28, 2022 meeting of the Board of County Canvassers
Motion 22 CANVASS	47	To approve the acceptance of the one advance ballot and to accept the Final Results Report of the 2022 USD 250 Special Question Bond Election held on January 18, 2022, in Crawford County

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Motion 22 CANVASS	48	To adjourn the <a href="#">January 28, 2022</a> meeting of the Board of Crawford County Canvassers at 10:14 AM and to reconvene the Regular Session of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners
Motion 22	49	To adopt Resolution #2022-001, A Resolution of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners Authorizing Participation in Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Repayment Program Calendar Year 2022
Motion 22	50	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss the County Land Bank and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:30 AM

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

**On motion (22-052)** 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 Maintenance Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Maintenance Supervisor Robert Gorentz and to reconvene by 10:20 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 10:05 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:20 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

### 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 APPOINTED OFFICIALS

#### MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

#### NEW BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Clerk Lisa Lusker presented the January 2022 Clerk's Report. She stated that this report summarizes the total amounts spent by departments for payroll and bills during the month of January. Mr. Lusker also gave the Commissioners a copy of the December 2021 to January 2022 Clerk's Report of Changes in Expenditures for comparison. She reviewed the changes with the Commissioners and discussed some of the reasons for the changes in expenditures.

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**On motion (22-053)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the January 2022 Clerk's Report as presented.

**On a Roll Call Vote.**

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Ms. Lusker presented the Commissioners with the 2022 Special Alcohol, Historical Elderly and Parks & Recreation requests. The Commissioners will review the requests.

**Item Three:** Ms. Lusker requested a work session on February 8, 2022 at 9:30 AM with the Arnold Group, Director of Fiscal Services Randi Ryan and HR Manager Lauren Mattingley. The Commissioners agreed.

**Item Four:** Mr. Emerson stated that the Arnold Group will be here on February 7, 2022 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM to meet with Department Heads and Elected Officials to start the process on job descriptions.

**Item Five:** Mr. Emerson discussed the need for space for storage. He stated that the Commissioners have met in Executive Session about purchasing storage space close to the square. He explained that a location was found at 203 S Ozark St in Girard. He went to look at it this morning and it has plenty of room to meet the needs for storage. He stated that the final price for the property was \$32,000 and he recommends purchasing the property. Commissioner Moody stated that he has seen the property and agrees that it meets the needed space. He stated that Mr. Gorentz has also looked at the property.

**On motion (22-054)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the purchase of the property at 203 S Ozark St in Girard, KS for a price of \$32,000.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting: Commissioner Blair

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Six:** Commissioner Johnson said that the state announced this week that they are opening a grant program called Building a Stronger Economy (BASE). He explained that it will be \$100,000,000 and will be targeted at infrastructure and economic development. He said that there was an email sent out with a list of what the funds can be used for and there will be a Webinar tomorrow on the grant. The deadline to apply for the grant funds is the end of February. Commissioner Johnson will forward the information to Mr. Emerson and Commissioner Moody stated that Mr. Gus Brunetti, who has been writing the county's grants, is to be informed of this also. Commissioner Johnson stated that the Webinar is at 3:00 PM tomorrow. The Commissioners discussed this grant helping with

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county road issues. The Commissioners scheduled a work session at 9:30 AM Friday, February 4, 2022 with Gus Brunetti to discuss the BASE grant.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Item One:** Commissioner Blair stated that the work at the property in Chicopee is progressing.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Blair stated that Shop Foreman Josh Peak located a wheel loader that the county is in need of. He will get the information from Mr. Peak.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION continued**

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

**On motion (22-055)** 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 County Counselor Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:50 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 10:35 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:50 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

### **UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

**Item One: February 4, 2022 – 9:30 AM** Work Session with Mr. Gus Brunetti to address the BASE grant.

**Item Two: February 8, 2022 – 9:30 AM** Work Session with the Arnold Group, Director Fiscal Services Randi Ryan and HR Manager Lauren Mattingley to discuss job description project.

**Item Three: February 15, 2022 –** Ms. Joanie Burke, SEK-CAP Inc Director of Early Childhood Services discussing ARPA Funding.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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### MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [February 1, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:53 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners 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.**

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**Lisa Lusker**  
County Clerk

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**This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.**

Taken by BKW 2/01/2022 10:53 AM/amended BKW 2/2/2022 10:30 AM