

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2020, **FIRST** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS **Friday, January 3, 2020 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 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 (20-001) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **December 27, 2019** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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 19	428	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the December 20, 2019 minutes
Motion 19	429	To approve giving the rock bids to Dennis Meier, Triad Environmental Services to review and come back with recommendations to the Commissioners
Motion 19	430	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 10:58 AM
Motion 19	431	To make it known that the board hereby issues a license to "sell at retail", cereal malt beverages from the place of business as shown in

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		the application APPLICANT: “Diamond 6D LLC” PREMISES: 521 E McKay St, Frontenac KS 66763 (For consumption on the premises) APPLICANT: Larry Zerngast “Chicken Mary’s” PREMISES: 1133 E 600th Ave, Pittsburg KS 66762 (For consumption on the premises) APPLICANT: Kim Brewer “Countryside Golf Course” PREMISES: 469 E 520th Ave, Pittsburg KS 66762 (For consumption on the premises) APPLICANT: Mary E Gebhardt “Gebhardt’s Chicken Dinners” PREMISES: 124 N 260th St, Mulberry KS 66756 (For consumption on the premises) APPLICANT: C & B Investments Inc “Girard Chicken Annies” PREMISES: 498 E 47 Hwy, Girard KS 66743(For consumption on the premises)
Motion 19	432	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:13 AM

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

Item One: Public Hearing on a road vacate in the Walnut Township.

On motion (20-002) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to open the public hearing on vacating a certain road in Walnut Township.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

On motion (20-003) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to close the public hearing on vacating a certain road in Walnut Township.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

County Counselor Jim Emerson explained where the area is located and informed the Commissioners of the steps in requesting the vacating of a road or alley.

County Counselor Jim Emerson presented Resolution #2020-001, a Resolution Closing and Vacating a Certain Road in Walnut Township, Crawford County, Kansas.

On motion (20-004) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adopt Resolution #2020-001, a Resolution Closing and Vacating a Certain Road in Walnut Township, Crawford County, Kansas described as that portion of County Road located between Sections 30 and 31, Township 28 South, Range 22 East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Crawford County, Kansas described as follows: the East Half of the

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East Half of the road lying between said sections (1/4 of a mile). Located in the 1200 West block of 660th Avenue.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Public Hearing on an alley vacate in Brazilton. Mr. Emerson explained where the alley is located and showed an aerial view of the area.

On motion (20-005) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to open the public hearing on vacating a platted alley in Brazilton.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

On motion (20-006) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to close the public hearing on vacating a platted alley in Brazilton.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Emerson explained that the landowner that requested vacating this alley owns the entire property and there is a building located where the alley is platted.

Mr. Emerson presented Resolution #2020-002, a Resolution Closing and Vacating a Platted Alley in Brazilton, Crawford County, Kansas.

On motion (20-007) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to adopt Resolution #2020-002, a Resolution Closing and Vacating a Platted Alley In Brazilton, Crawford County, Kansas, According to the recorded plat thereof described as an alley located adjacent to and East of Lots Two (2), Three (3), Six (6), Seven (7), Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Fourteen (14) in Block Nine (9) and West of Lots One (1), Four (4), Five (5), Eight (8), Nine (9), Twelve (12) and Thirteen (13) in Block Nine (9) in Brazilton, Crawford County, Kansas, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

**MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH
MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**

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MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Brad Stroud, Live Well Crawford County Director, addressed the Commissioners with an update. Mr. Stroud handed out a document titled “2019 Year in Review”. He explained the Kansas Health Foundation Health Equity Grant and stated that the group decided to focus the grant in Arma. He informed the Commissioners of all the meetings that took place in Arma and the projects that were chosen. He explained that through these meetings the Arma Nutrition Council was created which is completely ran by the citizens of Arma and Live Well has no involvement in the Council. Mr. Stroud also explained the outreach program with the Lord’s Diner and stated that it now delivers a meal to the residents of Arma each Tuesday evening. He stated that the Arma Nutrition Council took this a step further and volunteers deliver meals to Arma, Mulberry, Arcadia and Franklin. Mr. Stroud addressed the Pathways to Healthy Kansas Grant through BC/BS and said that the grant cycle ends July 31, 2020. He stated that Live Well’s coordination of the grant has led to \$370,000 in grant funds awarded to other entities in Crawford County. Mr. Stroud discussed the grants awarded to help build sidewalks in the north Pittsburg Medical district which will make that area much easier and safer to walk. He went through the different aspects of the grant and where the monies were awarded. Mr. Stroud discussed the Pedicab that was done in partnership with PSU and the Technology Department as part of their Senior Design project and he explained how the Pedicab works. Mr. Stroud stated that Live Well Crawford County was selected to present at the National Growing Sustainable Communities Conference in Dubuque, Iowa in October for the Pedicab project and the Health Equity work in Arma. He also discussed a new task force Live Well started called Addiction Prevention through a grant from KPCCI. Commissioner Johnson stated that this is all very impressive and appreciates all the work Mr. Stroud does. Commissioner Moody stated that Mr. Stroud not hesitate to ask if there is anything the Commissioners can do to help and they appreciate all the hard work Mr. Stroud and his organization does.

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

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle addressed the December 2019 Clerk’s Report. Mr. Pyle stated that he has not printed the documents and will address it in old business.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson presented a Contract between Capitol Strategies, LLC and Crawford County to provide monitoring and reporting representation to Crawford County through the 2020 Legislative Session. Mr. Emerson discussed the work that Bill Brady does for the County and how they are involved with KAC. Mr. Emerson stated that he believes that the company has been with Crawford County for 4 or 5 years.

On motion (20-008) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the Contract between Capitol Strategies, LLC and Crawford County to provide monitoring and reporting representation to Crawford County through the 2020 Legislative Session and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

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Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Emerson presented the Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between the Secretary of Transportation and Crawford County, Kansas on the Crawford County Sewer District #3 Force Main Relocation Project. Mr. Emerson discussed using the Federal Fund exchange money to reimburse for the project. Mr. Emerson explained how the agreement works and wanted the Commissioners to review it before approval.

Item Four: Commissioner Blair addressed a letter received from the fair board regarding potential logging at the fairgrounds. There was a discussion that the fairgrounds are owned by the City of Girard and that the county has done considerable work to help make it as nice as possible. Mr. Blair stated that the logging company will pay \$20,000 to the City of Girard. Mr. Emerson stated that he spoke with the Girard City Administrator and requested a meeting but the city was not interested. The Commissioners discussed that the work has already started and they had concerns about damage to the roads in the area and the clean up afterwards.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle readdressed the Clerk's report and stated that this report summarizes the total amounts spent by departments for payroll and bills during the month of December. Mr. Pyle also gave the Commissioners a copy of the November 2019 to December 2019 Clerk's Report of Changes in Expenditures for comparison. Mr. Pyle reviewed the changes with the Commissioners and discussed some of the reasons for the changes. Mr. Emerson asked about the transfer from the General Fund to the Operating Reserve fund for the Addiction Treatment Facility and Mr. Pyle stated that the transfer has been made. Mr. Moody was answered that this is year 3 on the funds to the Addiction Treatment Facility. Mr. Pyle discussed transfers from the fire district funds to their equipment reserve funds.

On motion (20-009) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the December 2019 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: Mr. Pyle addressed the reorganization meeting which is normally done on the 2nd Monday in January because of swearing in. Mr. Pyle explained that the statute states that the reorganization must occur within 30 days of the 2nd Monday. The Commissioners decided to have reorganization on January 14, 2020. He also stated that January 20, 2020 is Martin Luther King Jr. Day and the Courthouse will be closed.

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Item Three: Mr. Blair would like to organize a strategic planning meeting for the Road & Bridge Dept. within the month of January on what needs to be addressed this year with the road foremen, Josh Peak and Randy Chiartano. The Commissioners decided to set up a work session to address equipment needed, road repairs and other issues.

Item Four: Commissioner Moody inquired about the status of the tax sale. Mr. Jim Emerson stated that they are close to setting a date which should be in February.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

On motion (20-010) 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 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:19 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 11:04 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:19 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Johnson requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (20-011) 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 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:30 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 11:20 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:30 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: January 7, 2020 – Mr. Jim Zibert, Earle's Engineering & Inspection regarding Crawford County Sewer District #2 Force Main Relocation Project.

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Item Two: January 7, 2020 – Ryan Insurance presenting 2020 Insurance Renewal

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [January 3, 2020](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:32 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 BKW 1/3/20 11:32 AM/amended BKW 1/6/20 9:00 AM/amended DPP 1/6/20 1:00 PM