

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2023, **FIFTY-THIRD** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Tuesday, July 18, 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.

Commissioner Carl Wood was 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 (23-300) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **July 14, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.

SIGNING OF MOTIONS

The County Clerk presented the following motions for Commissioners' signatures:

Motion 23	293	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the July 14, 2023 minutes and Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 623065 to 623258 dated July 14, 2023 in the total amount of \$354,389.45
Motion 23	294	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss matters relating to security measures if the discussion of such matters in an open meeting would jeopardize such security measures that protect specific systems, facilities or equipment and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and IT Director Brandon Spaur and to reconvene by 10:25 AM

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Motion 23	295	To approve the June 2023 Clerk's Report as presented
Motion 23	296	To approve the Application and Certificate for Payment for Progress Billing #1 in the amount of \$48,117.35 and Progress Billing #2 in the amount of \$63,478.20 from Tri- State Building & Supply Co., for the RJA/Freeto Building Project and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 23	297	To approve Prime Contract Change Orders #23020-001 CE #001, 002 & 003 from Tri-State Building & Supply Co., Inc for the RJA/Freeto Building Project
Motion 23	298	To approve the 11 th Judicial District Community Corrections Quarterly Grant budget Amendment Report and Signatory Approval and authorize the Chairman sign
Motion 23	299	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss the Freeto Building contract and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:00 AM

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

Item One: Ms. Gena Coomes addressed the Commissioners and introduced Ms. Jennifer Horyna. Ms. Coomes stated that they are mothers that are representing the Frontenac 10U baseball team that won the Cal Ripken State Tournament last weekend. She explained that the team will be attending the Midwest Plains Regional Tournament in Garden City this week and stated that this team is the only Frontenac team that made it past the state tournament this year. Ms. Coomes stated that in the past, the teams have had incredible support from the Commissioners and they are asking for support this year again to help with expenses.

On motion (23-301) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve a donation of \$500 to the Frontenac 10U Baseball Team to help with expenses in traveling to the Midwest Plains Regional Tournament in Garden City.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

NEW BUSINESS

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Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson would like to schedule a work session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner for an ARPA update on Friday, August 11, 2023 at 9:00 AM. The Commissioners agreed.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson addressed the budget work sessions and stated that the only departmental budget left to review is Mental Health. The Commissioners decided that on Friday, July 21, 2023 there will an 8:00 AM work session to review the 2024 Budgets, a 9:00 AM work session with Mental Health on their 2024 Budget and a 9:45 AM Work Session to review the July 2024 ARPA draw down request.

Item Three: Commissioner Wood addressed a letter of concern that was received from some residents on the C & D Landfill request for a permit transfer. He stated that he will contact Mr. Charles Bowers from KDHE and check on the status of this issue. The Commissioners and Mr. Emerson discussed some of the concerns addressed in the letter.

Item Four: Commissioner Wood addressed concerns with bonuses on some of the payroll vouchers.

Item Five: Commissioner Wood stated that there is a mile of new asphalt that has a rut in it. He said that they traced the individual down that did the damage and the individual admitted to doing the damage. Commissioner Wood stated that the County is going to attempt to repair the damages.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Blair addressed the pull behind mowers. The Commissioners will discuss this again at a later date.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Bruce Blair requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (23-302) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Wood to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss county employees and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:27 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:17 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:27 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: July 21, 2023 – 8:00 AM Work Session to review the 2024 Budgets.

Item Two: July 21, 2023 – 9:00 AM Budget Work Session with Mental Health.

Item Three: July 21, 2023 – 9:45 AM Work Session to review the July 2024 ARPA draw down request.

Item Four: August 11, 2023 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Mr. Bodensteiner to address ARPA update.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: July 19, 2023 – Pre-bid conference on the Crawford County Health Department addition and remodel project at 10:00 AM at the Crawford County Health Department.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [July 18, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:29 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood:

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

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 7/18/2023 10:29 AM/amended BKW 7/19/2023 2:15 PM](#)