

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2016, FORTY-SIXTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS Friday, June 17, 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 (16-201)** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **June 14, 2016** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers **565709 to 565945 dated June 15, 2016 in the total amount of \$370,932.12**, and
3. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

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	199	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the June 10, 2016 minutes
Motion 16	200	To approve the 2016 Application for Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Funds from the Kansas Division of Emergency Management and authorize the Chairman to sign

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## UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

### CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

### MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

### MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

**Item One:** Mr. Tom Sighel, Crawford County Register of Deeds, addressed the Commission in reference to an email pertaining to his office and staff. Mr. Sighel stated that the email is from Mr. Frank Young, who is a surveyor who visited his office last week. He also said that the email from Mr. Young was sent to Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Murphy forwarded the message to him. Mr. Sighel stated that he is very upset with the contents of the message and wanted the Commissioners to be aware of this. He explained to the Commissioners what took place the day Mr. Young visited his office and how his staff assisted Mr. Young. Mr. Sighel also stated that Mr. Young had a problem with the researching and indexing of surveys, which is the responsibility of the County Surveyor, Mr. Ron Albertini. Mr. Albertini explained that a small area of the Register of Deeds office is designated as an area for the County Surveyor to house the surveys. Mr. Albertini stated that he contacted the other surveyors that have researched this area in Crawford County and they have never had any problems and even stated that Crawford County's survey records and indexes are better than a lot of other counties in Kansas. Mr. Albertini stated everything is indexed and he refuses to fix anything that is not broken especially when the system works. Mr. Wood wanted to know if Mr. Young needs to be addressed about his email. Mr. Murphy would like Mr. Sighel or Mr. Albertini to contact Mr. Young. A discussion was held on the surveys being digitized and where the documents are housed. Mr. Murphy asked about Mr. Albertini moving his office to the courthouse and Mr. Albertini did not feel it was necessary. Mr. Wood was answered that the digitizing cannot be done in house; a private contractor would have to be hired. Mr. Pyle suggested researching grants to digitize as historical records. Commissioner Murphy will contact Mr. Young and set up a meeting with Mr. Young, Mr. Sighel and Mr. Albertini.

### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

**Item One:** Mr. Rick Pfeiffer, Executive Director Crawford County Mental Health and Mr. Brian Jones, Chair-Elect of the Mental Health Board. Mr. Pfeiffer introduced Mr. Jones to the Commissioners. Mr. Pfeiffer handed out the presentation "Reasons to move ATC to Pittsburg". Mr. Pfeiffer went through the details of the presentation and explained each reason to move the ATC to Pittsburg. Mr. Pfeiffer stated that the budget will be the same to have the facility in Girard or Pittsburg. He also showed a map of the area where the facility would be located in Pittsburg. Commissioner Wood asked about the ½ mill for a two year period to start a building fund. A discussion was held on financing the building with the location in Pittsburg.

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## Reasons to move ATC to Pittsburg

- Youth Services
  - Opportunity to create a much needed alcohol and drug services facility in Girard without expansion/remodel cost
  - Clients will have greater eligibility for Medicaid, covering medical costs at Girard Hospital and other medical facilities in Girard
  - Clients will have continuation of care/treatment from Detention Center to Treatment Center
  - Collaboration with Greenbush
- Better coordination of client care and streamlined operations for cost savings and better service design for the clients we serve
- Funding Sources as a 501(c)(3)
  - Options to fundraise and apply for grants not available to Government
- Collaboration with Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas
  - Medical detox
  - Continuation of care for
    - Medical
    - Dental
  - Clients are uninsured – so CHCSEK can provide services and get federal funds
- Continuation of care – mental health services
  - QMHP on same campus
  - Larger counseling groups, generate larger revenues with less QMHP and staff cost – one group on one campus versus two
- Transportation – Cost savings
  - Currently making 3-4 trips to Pittsburg daily for medical/dental care and mental health services
  - Multiple weekly administrative trips for supplies, client charts, medical records, mail, etc
- Employment
  - Larger Applicant Pool
  - Staff cost saving opportunities from more efficient operations
- Reintegration / recovery
  - More available resources for those recovering in the community
    - colleges
    - medical facilities
    - jobs
    - more availability of support groups
- Client Base
  - Largest portion of Crawford County clients admitted to ATC reside in Pittsburg
    - better access to family and friends for support

Mr. Brian Jones spoke and discussed Community Mental Health and how it can assist with the ATC in Pittsburg.

Mr. Murphy spoke about some areas he does not feel comfortable supporting and is concerned with the amount it is going to cost the taxpayers.

Mr. Wood stated that he supports the facility being in Pittsburg and stated the reasons he supports this. Mr. Moody agreed with Mr. Wood.

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Mr. Weiner, Girard City Administrator spoke about the issue of moving the ATC to Pittsburg. He stated that Mr. Pfeiffer showed the pros of moving the facility to Pittsburg but Mr. Weiner would also like to see the cons of moving to Pittsburg and the pros of leaving the facility in Girard. He discussed some other issues he had with moving the facility out of Girard.

Mr. Ron Gates addressed the Commissioners and explained that he is a concerned citizen from Girard. He discussed some issues he had concerns with in moving the facility to Pittsburg.

Mr. Wood asked Mr. Emerson if the ½ mills would be in the 2018 budget and ½ mills in the 2019 budget. Mr. Wood was answered that this is new construction and is exempt from the new tax lid law. Mr. Emerson stated that if the county wants to move forward with this is, a building fund needs to be set up with ½ mills for 24 months.

### **PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Mr. Pyle stated that he had technicians in during the week looking over the election equipment and making sure it is all in working order. He also stated he stopped in at the Historical Museum and said it looked very nice and explained some of the programs they are offering. He stated the museum is also open with regular hours now.

**Item Two:** Mr. Pyle stated he received some information on the KAC Conference and stated that registration is open now. He explained that early registration has discounted fees. Mr. Pyle stated that the conference is November 15 thru 18, 2016 in Overland Park, Kansas.

**Item Three:** Mr. Pyle gave Mr. Murphy some information on the NACO drug prescription program and explained what needed to be done to enroll in the program. He stated that any county resident can participate, not only just county employees.

**Item Four:** Mr. Pyle stated he is setting up meetings with department heads for budget discussions.

**Item Five:** Mr. Wood discussed the mowers and tractors. He also addressed other equipment for the road and bridge department.

### **UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Mr. Murphy addressed the Fairgrounds and what has been settled on the issue. Mr. Wood stated that he went out the fairgrounds and some improvements have been done but there are still some poles and wires down. Mr. Murphy stated the he had heard that the City of Girard will go out and fix the poles and wires and will bill the Fair Board for the materials but not labor.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

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**Item One: June 17, 2016 – Work Session** with Liz Hart, Road and Bridge Coordinator on bridge replacements immediately after regular session.

**Item Two: June 21, 2016 – 9:00 AM** Work Sessions with Mike Plank, Zoning Administrator, and 9:15 AM with Don Pyle, County Clerk on 2017 Budget Requests.

**Item Three: June 21, 2016 – 9:30 AM** Work Session with Mike Peak on road striping.

**Item Four: June 21, 2016 –** Mr. Mac Young, District Court Administrator presenting District Court 2017 budget request.

**Item Five: June 21, 2016 –** Mr. John Bellerive from Haynes Equipment Co addressing grinder pumps for Sewer District Number 4.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **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 [June 17, 2016](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 12:07 **PM** and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, 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.**

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**Don Pyle**

County Clerk

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

[Taken by BKW 6/17/2016 12:07 PM/amended BKW 6/20/16 3:30 PM](#)