

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2022, THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, Tuesday, June 7, 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.
Commissioner Jeremy Johnson and Commissioner Bruce Blair 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 (22-190) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

- 1. Approval of the May 31, 2022 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

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:

Table with 3 columns: Motion number, Number, and Description of motion.

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 THE PUBLIC

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MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Mark Lehman, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Crawford County Conservation District addressed the 2023 Conservation District Budget. Mr. Lehman presented a copy of the budget request. He explained that they are asking for no additional money from last year. He explained that he believes the state appropriation this year will be the full \$25,000. Mr. Lehman explained the work that the Conservation District does. Commissioner Blair stated that he appreciates all the work the district does.

On motion (22-191) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the proposed 2023 Crawford County Conservation District Budget and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Mr. Michael Ehling requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-192) 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 20 minutes to discuss the Health Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Mr. Michael Ehling and to reconvene by 10:29 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 10:09 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:26 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES continued

Item Two: Mr. Pat Walden, Mulberry City Mayor, addressed the Commissioners and thanked them for the ARPA funding that the city received. He discussed the ARPA funds and asked questions about what the funds can be used for. County Counselor Jim Emerson requested that Mr. Walden contact him with the questions and he will address the issue at that time.

NEW BUSINESS

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Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker presented the May 2022 Clerk's Report. She stated that this report summarizes the total amounts spent by departments for payroll and bills during the month of May. Ms. Lusker also gave the Commissioners a copy of the April 2022 to May 2022 Clerk's Report of Changes in Expenditures for comparison.

On motion (22-193) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the May 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 11th Judicial District Community Corrections Unexpended Funds Grant Award Conditions. She stated that Ms. Tracy Harris, Director had requested that she present this to the Commissioners for approval. Ms. Lusker explained that it is a \$60,000 award to do quality assurance feedback sessions. Commissioner Moody was answered that Mr. Emerson has reviewed the documents.

On motion (22-194) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the 11th Judicial District Community Corrections Unexpended Funds Grant Award Conditions and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Ms. Lusker stated that she received a request to use the Gazebo on the Courthouse lawn for a wedding from 12 noon to 7:00 PM on July 30, 2022. The Commissioners see no issues with this.

Item Four: Ms. Lusker addressed the budget work sessions. The Commissioners and Ms. Lusker set up dates that budget work sessions can be scheduled.

Item Five: County Counselor Jim Emerson presented the Restorative Justice Authority Unexpended Funds Grant Award Conditions. He explained what the funds will be used for and stated the award amount is \$22,000.

On motion (22-195) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the Restorative Justice Authority Unexpended Funds Grant Award Conditions and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

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The motion prevailed.

Item Six: Mr. Emerson presented a letter from Ms. Angie Hadley Director of the Restorative Justice Authority requesting that Mr. Mark Fern be reappointed to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board (JCAB) as the Juvenile Judge appointment for Crawford County. He stated that this will be a 3 year appointment thru June 2025.

On motion (22-196) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Johnson to approve the reappointment of Mr. Mark Fern to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board (JCAB) as the Juvenile Judge appointment for Crawford County and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Seven: Mr. Emerson addressed an Emergency Shelter Grant request letter of support for Catholic Charities. He explained the work that Catholic Charities does in the County. He presented the Kansas Housing 2022-2023 Kansas ESG Certification of Local Government Approval for Nonprofit Organizations receiving 2022 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

On motion (22-197) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the Kansas Housing 2022-2023 Kansas ESG Certification of Local Government Approval for Nonprofit Organizations receiving 2022 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) for Catholic Charities and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Eight: Commissioner Blair discussed Road & Bridge having an inventory or list of supplies and equipment that could be needed in case of emergency weather. The Commissioners will speak to their road foremen about this issue.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item One: Commissioner Blair discussed the County Land Bank property in Chicopee and stated that the property has been mowed and some other issues have been taken care of. The Commissioners briefly discussed the sale of this property.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair discussed the Road & Bridge equipment rotation list and stated that the purchase of 1-ton trucks needs to be looked into. He will have Shop Foreman Josh Peak check on this issue. There was a discussion on the status of the dump trucks that were ordered.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION continued

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

On motion (22-198) 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 Land Bank under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Zoning Administrator May Smith and to reconvene by 11:01 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 10:46 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:56 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Three: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (22-199) 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 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss benefits contract and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:17 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 10:57 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:17 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Four: Commissioner Jeremy Johnson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (22-200) 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 Sign Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:33 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

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Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:18 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:33 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

OLD BUSINESS continued

Item One continued: Mr. Emerson stated that there will be an auction on property owned by the Crawford County Land Bank at 103 S Rondelli Rd, Pittsburg located in Chicopee. He stated that the auction will be held at 6:00 PM, Thursday, June 16, 2022 on site. He explained that the minimum bid is set at \$12,000 and other details will be released on the county social media, the County website and the local newspaper. He stated that interested parties should get informed about the property and there may be some environment restrictions that should be checked out.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: June 10, 2022 – 9:30 AM Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner to discuss ARPA funding.

Item Two: June 10, 2022 – Mr. Mike Bodensteiner addressing ARPA funding.

Item Three: June 14, 2022 – 9:00 AM Budget Work Session for the EMS Department with EMS Director Randy Sandberg and EMS Administrator Dr. Tim Stebbins.

Item Four: June 14, 2022 – Ms. Brooke Powell, Executive Director, Safehouse Crisis Center presenting the 2022 Kansas Emergency Solutions Grant Application.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [June 7, 2022](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:35 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.

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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



This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken BKW 6/7/2022 11:35 AM/amended BKW 6/8/2022 3:00 PM](#)