

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2023, FORTY-THIRD MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS. Friday, June 9, 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.

Commissioner Bruce Blair served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Carl Wood were in attendance.

Deputy County Clerk Bobbi Wicker 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 (23-243)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **June 6, 2023** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Wood

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 23	238	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the June 2, 2023 minutes
Motion 23	239	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 5 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss the KDOT project and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:35 AM
Motion 23	240	To approve rescinding the prior Resolution stating that Crawford County was in support of the Western Alignment
Motion 23	241	To reappoint Commissioner Carl Wood as his district delegate, Ms. Susan Boldrini as Commissioner Blair's district delegate and Mr.

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		Bryan Hoffman as Commissioner Moody's district delegate and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 23	242	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss the Road & Bridge Department under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:40 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 ELECTED OFFICIALS

#### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

#### MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

**Item One:** Mr. Jerry Lomshek, Chicopee addressed the Commissioners. He stated that he would like to thank the Commissioners for supporting the existing Highway 69 route and rescinding the counties support of the western route.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Item One:** County Counselor Jim Emerson presented Resolution #2023-011, A Resolution Supporting the Expansion of the Existing US 69 Bypass to a Four-Lane Bypass & Rescinding Previous Inconsistent Resolutions. He explained the contents of the resolution.

**On motion (23-244)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to adopt Resolution #2023-011, A Resolution Supporting the Expansion of the Existing US 69 Bypass to a Four-Lane Bypass & Rescinding Previous Inconsistent Resolutions.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Item One:** Commissioner Carl Wood requested an executive session for 30 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

**On motion (23-245)** of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 30 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss animals at large and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Sheriff Danny Smith and to reconvene by 10:37 AM.

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Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:07 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:19 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

### **NEW BUSINESS continued**

**Item Two:** Commissioner Blair discussed dust control. He explained issues with the company the county has been using and stated that a subcontractor that was previously working for that company has stated that they can do the dust control starting the beginning of next week at the same price. He said that it might be best to go ahead and let the subcontractor do the dust control. The Commissioners discussed the pricing for the dust control and Commissioner Wood would like a list of landowners that have requested dust control. The Commissioners also discussed the roads in which the county provides dust control at no landowners' costs. The Commissioners agreed to go with the subcontractor for dust control

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Mr. Emerson presented the sales proposal from Rush Truck Center for a 2025 International HV507 Dump Truck for Road & Bridge District #2. He explained that the foreman and crew of District #2 has looked over the specs and agreed that it is what is needed.

**On motion (23-246)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve the purchase of a 2025 International HV507 Dump Truck from Rush Truck Center and authorize the Chairman.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Two:** Mr. Emerson addressed the request from Mental Health Director Heather Spaur for money from the Opioid Settlement fund for the MAT program that Mental Health has recently implemented. He stated that he visited with Health Department Director Debra Anthony and gave her the approved list of uses for that fund and she has some ideas but does not have a specific dollar amount for a request for the funds. The Commissioners and Mr. Emerson discussed the money available in that fund at the current time and that more settle money will be coming in for quite a few years.

**On motion (23-247)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve the request from Mental Health Director Heather Spaur for \$28,756.00 from the Opioid Settlement fund for the MAT program.

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Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**Item Three:** Mr. Emerson presented the Notice to Bidders for sealed bids for the removal of refuse for the period beginning August 1, 2023 and ending July 31, 2024 from specific County facilities with a bid opening date of Friday, June 30, 2023 at 10:00 AM. He explained what is included in the bid packet and said that he is needing approval to publish the bid packet.

**On motion (23-248)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve publication of the Notice to Bidders for sealed bids for the removal of refuse for the period beginning August 1, 2023 and ending July 31, 2024 from specific County facilities with a bid opening date of Friday, June 30, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION continued**

**Item Two:** Commissioner Carl Wood requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

**On motion (23-249)** of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody 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 tax sale and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:46 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:31 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:39 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

**Item Three:** County Appraiser Zach Edwards requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (23-250)** of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss the Appraiser's Office under Non-Elected Personnel and to

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include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Appraiser Zach Edwards and to reconvene by 11:00 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood, and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

**The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:40 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:55 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

### UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### FUTURE BUSINESS:

**Item One: June 16, 2023** – County Grant Writer Gus Brunetti discussing FEMA Grant.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Item One: June 19, 2023** – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Juneteenth Holiday.

**Item Two: June 20, 2023** – Retirement Reception for Deputy County Appraiser John Macary from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM and more than Commissioner may be in attendance.

### 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 [June 9, 2023](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:57 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

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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**Bobbi Wicker**

Deputy County Clerk

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

Taken BKW 6/9/2023 10:57 AM/amended BKW 6/12/2023 10:30 AM