

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2021, **THIRTY-EIGHTH** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS, **Friday, May 28, 2021, 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 Jeremy Johnson served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Tom Moody and Bruce Blair were in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle was seated with the Board.

Chairman Johnson led the pledge of allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (21-167) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **May 25, 2021** 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 21	161	The consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the May 21, 2021 minutes
Motion 21	162	To approve the contract for asphalt for 2021 between Crawford County, Kansas Engineer's Office and Heckert Construction Co., Inc. and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 21	163	To approve the appointment of Vanessa De Luna to the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board for an additional 3 years with a term ending 6/5/2024 and authorize the Chairman to sign
Motion 21	164	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss personnel matters under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Appraiser Zach Edwards and to reconvene by 10:34 AM

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Motion 21	165	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss Road & Bridge Department project reports under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:48 AM
Motion 21	166	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss county counsel under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners 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

Item One: The Commissioners were presented with the Crawford County Gating Criteria updated Friday, May 28, 2021. Deputy County Health Officer Ms. Teddi Van Kam reviewed the community gating criteria and discussed the new positive cases for the week and the weekly percent positivity rate. She also discussed school K-12 Gating Criteria and stated that officially all the schools were out by Tuesday for the summer. She said that the school year ended on a very good note. Ms. Van Kam discussed vaccination statistics and clinics as well as COVID-19 immunizations for children 12 and over.

Ms. Van Kam stated that today is Ms. Janis Goedeke's last day and she wanted to publicly thank her for coming back after her retirement and stepping in and for all her guidance during this pandemic and she was truly a godsend. Ms. Goedeke said it was so nice to be able to speak to the Commissioners on her last day without a mask. She thanked the Commissioners for allowing her to come back and serve her community and that it has been a wild ride and it is something that will go down in history. She discussed her experiences during this pandemic and how the community and schools came together. Commissioner Moody thanked Ms. Goedeke, Ms. Van Kam and Mr. Michael Ehling for their hard work in protecting the community during this pandemic. Mr. Ehling spoke about Ms. Goedeke stepping in and taking over as Health Department Director and he thanked Ms. Goedeke for her hard work and wished her well in her retirement.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Mr. Michael Ehling, Executive Administrator addressed the Commissioners in reference to the Mental Health Financial Report. He stated that attorney Mr. Mark Werner, who is the legal counsel for the governing board, will speak about the statute driven responsibilities and FACT, Inc. Mr. Ehling said that Mr. Daryl Eagon, CPA, their auditor, will address the financial audits. He also introduced Ms. Joanie Burke, SEK CAP Senior Associate and Director of Early Childhood Services and Ms. Heather Spaur, Director of Personnel and Marketing and CFO. Ms. Spaur handed out the Community Mental Health 2020 Budget, the Community Mental Health 2021 Budget, the April 2021

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Monthly Financial Statement, the KSA Statutes on the creation of CMHCs across the State, the FACT, Inc. bylaws and the 2019 Crawford County & Mental Health Audit. Mr. Ehling explained that Mr. Eagon is actively working on the 2020 Audit and a copy of the audit will be sent to the County Clerk each year.

Mr. Werner explained the statutory requirements for community mental health centers in the State of Kansas. He stated that in 1961 community mental health centers were statutorily authorized and Crawford County was one of the first to create a mental health center. He explained the Quasi-Governmental Entity. He explained the statutes that detail how the centers are to be governed. He also explained the sources of revenue for the center to operate. Mr. Werner discussed FACT, Inc, a 501c3 and stated it is a separate private not for profit corporation and it is not part of the Mental Health Center but was created by the Mental Health Center. He explained the reasons for creating the FACT, Inc., the main purpose and the main source of funding. He explained the bylaws of the corporation. Mr. Eagon stated that the corporation must file a form 990 tax return with the IRS each year and that the form must be available to the public by law.

Ms. Burke addressed the Commissioners and explained the Options program and the partnership between SEK CAP and the Community Mental Health Center.

Mr. Eagon addressed the Commissioners and explained GAAP. He also addressed the financial statements and audits. Commissioner Johnson asked about the new Addiction Treatment Center and the financial status of the center and Mr. Ehling explained the crisis stabilization unit and the redesign of the center. He spoke about the estimated costs of the building and equipment and the sober living apartments. He stated that they are still working with the architect so they do not have a final number on the costs. Mr. Ehling stated that right now the committed amounts for the ATC are the \$1,000,000 from the ½ mill that was set by the Commissioners 5 years ago, \$1,800,000 from FACT, Inc., \$300,000 grant from Sunderland, \$100,000 donation from the Elliott Foundation, \$55,000 from private donations and fund raising, \$50,000 from the Bicknell Family Foundation and \$45,000 from the Skubitz Foundation. There was a discussion of the pre-paid rent on the building. There was also a discussion of goals and priority areas for the future. Commissioner Johnson discussed pay disparity in Mental Health. There was a discussion on Mental Health and the needs in Crawford County. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Ehling, Mr. Werner, Mr. Eagon and Ms. Spaur for their presentation.

On motion (21-168) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to recess this open session for a period of 5 minutes.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The meeting was called back to order at 11:43 AM.

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NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Don Pyle addressed the budget work sessions.

Item Two: Commissioner Blair addressed the summer work hours for the Road and Bridge crews. The Commissioners decided to have the Road & Bridge Department start at 6:00 A.M starting June 1, 2021, and will notify their road foremen.

Item Three: Commissioner Johnson addressed the budget webinar he participated in and discussed Senate Bill 13 and the revenue neutral rate and what will take place if the rate changes. Mr. Pyle stated that the legislature gave the counties grace for this year and the hearings will be required but notifications will not be required to be sent. He explained what the procedure will be in the following years in going through this process.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Blair stated that he received a quote from Caterpillar for a loader and will discuss it further next week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Commissioner Johnson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Cyber Security.

On motion (21-169) of Commissioner Johnson 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 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 to discuss cybersecurity and to include the Board of County Commissioners and IT Director Brandon Spaur and to reconvene by 12:08 PM.

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 11:53 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 12:04 PM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: June 4, 2021 – Budget Work Sessions beginning at 8:30 AM.

Item Two: June 4, 2021 – Mr. Mark Lehman Chairman of the Board of Supervisors Crawford County Conservation District addressing Conservation District Budget.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: May 31, 2021 – The Courthouse will be closed in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

Item Two: June 1, 2021 – The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners is cancelled due to the Monday Memorial Day holiday.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [May 28, 2021](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 12:06 PM 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 by BKW 5/28/2021 12:06 PM/amended BKW 6/3/2021 4:00 PM