

# Board of Crawford County Commissioners

## Commissioners' Journal

2020, [EIGHTY-SEVENTH](#) MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM  
Girard, KS, **Tuesday, November 10, 2020 10:00 AM, during a recess of the meeting of the Board of Canvassers**

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 Jeremy Johnson were in attendance.

County Clerk Don Pyle and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

### **UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion (20-458)** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **November 3, 2020** 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.**

**(Motions 20-456, 20-457 & 20-461 were made by the Board of County Canvassers)**

### **SIGNING OF MOTIONS**

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

Motion 20	454	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the October 30, 2020 minutes
Motion 20	455	To approve the publication of the Notice of Intent to Vacate Platted Alleys located in the Western Coal & Mining Company's Subdivision of a portion of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 29 South, Range 25 East Crawford County, Kansas with a public hearing set for December 4, 2020 at 10:00 AM

### **UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH**

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### **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC**

**Item One:** Mr. Roger Burns addressed the Commissioners in reference to a COVID-19 vaccine. He expressed his concerns with the vaccination and stated that he feels if people want the vaccine then they should get it but no one should be forced to get the vaccine. He stated that the Lord sent him here today to discuss this with the Commissioners. Mr. Burns thanked the Commissioners for allowing him to speak today and thanked them for their hard work.

### **MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** County Clerk Don Pyle presented the October 2020 Clerk's Report. Mr. Pyle stated that this report summarizes the total amounts spent by departments for payroll and bills during the month of October. Mr. Pyle also gave the Commissioners a copy of the September 2020 to October 2020 Clerk's Report of Changes in Expenditures for comparison. Mr. Pyle reviewed the changes with the Commissioners and discussed some of the reasons for the changes in expenditures.

**On motion (20-459)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve the October 2020 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:** County Counselor Jim Emerson stated that Mr. Mike Bodensteiner from Greenbush has requested a work session with the Commissioners on Friday, November 13, 2020 at 9:30 AM to discuss SPARK Funding. The Commissioners agreed. Mr. Emerson stated that next round of reports that are due will be completed and turned in today.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**On motion (20-460)** 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 COVID-19 under Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Sheriff Danny Smith and to reconvene by 10:30 AM.

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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 10:15 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:30 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.**

### **NEW BUSINESS continued**

**Item Three:** Commissioner Tom Moody addressed the fence viewing. Mr. Emerson stated the viewing has been scheduled for Friday, November 20, 2020 at 1:00 PM and the notices will be mailed today.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Mr. Pyle addressed the Post-Election Audit that was conducted on Thursday, November 5, 2020 and discussed the precincts and races that were audited.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Blair stated that he is following up on the Crawford County Sewer District #2 project.

**Item Three:** Commissioner Blair addressed the Crawford County Community Survey that PIO Samantha Garrett is working on and discussed including COVID-19 vaccination issues in the survey.

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

**Item One: November 13, 2020 – 9:30 AM** Work Session with Mr. Mike Bodensteiner to discuss SPARK Funding.

**Item Two: November 20, 2020 – 1:00 PM** Fence Viewing located in Section 3, Township 29, Range 24.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **OLD BUSINESS: continued**

**Item Four:** Mr. Pyle addressed an indigent cremation that the county had paid for a few months back and stated that a family member would like to claim the remains and requested to pay the county back in installments for the cremation. The Commissioners agreed.

### **UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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## **Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [November 10, 2020](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:42 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.**

**The commissioners reconvened the meeting of the Board of Canvassers.**

**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 11/10/2020 10:42 AM/amended BKW 11/12/2020 11:00 AM](#)