

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2019, SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS Friday, October 18, 2019 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 Bruce Blair and Jeremy Johnson 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 (19-338) of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

- 1. Approval of the October 11, 2019 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers, and
3. Approval of the accounts payable warrant numbers 593978 to 594269 dated October 15, 2019 in the total amount of \$589,176.34.

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, Item number, and Description of motion.

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS
MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH
MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

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**Item One:** Mr. Mac Young, District Court Administrator stated that he met with County Clerk Don Pyle on Wednesday and came to the conclusion that it would be feasible to go with Craw-Kan due to similar systems at the Sheriff Department and EMS Department. He stated that the same system may also be installed in the Courthouse at some time. He explained that with the Craw-Kan system calling between the different buildings with the same system will not be long-distance calls, just intercom calls. Mr. Pyle stated with the Craw-Kan proposal we would own the equipment and with Kansas Communications we would pay a monthly charge to use their equipment. Mr. Pyle explained how each company routes the calls. Mr. Moody stated that Craw-Kan is local and employs many Crawford County residents. Mr. Pyle stated that he has asked Craw-Kan to work on a proposal for a new phone system for the Courthouse.

**On motion (19-339)** of Commissioner Johnson and the second of Commissioner Blair to approve the bid from Craw-Kan for the new phone system at the Judicial Center in Pittsburg.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

### MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

**Item One:** Mr. Zach Edwards, County Appraiser addressed the Commissioners and requested an Executive Session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (19-340)** 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 Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and County Appraiser Zach Edwards and to reconvene by 10:33 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 10:18 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:30 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

### MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

**Item One:** Mr. Tim Lewellyn, Short's Trash Service addressed the Commissioners in reference to the landfill closing on Saturday. He stated that if the landfill is going to close on Saturdays, he would like to look into opening a transfer station that would be located in Pittsburg. Mr. Lewellyn explained that there has been no official notification that the landfill will be closing on Saturday but his driver reported that there is a sign on the scales at the landfill that stated the landfill be closing on Saturdays. He stated that this is just a starting phase and he has not researched what permits are needed. He explained that first he wanted to see if the Commissioners would support his idea. He said that he will

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have to purchase land to open a transfer station. Mr. Emerson stated that the SEK Recycling Center does have a transfer station permit and does not feel it should be too difficult for Mr. Lewellyn to apply for the permits. Mr. Emerson also stated that he feels that it is good idea as it solves a problem. Mr. Lewellyn explained how a transfer station works and stated that everything collected must be transferred to a landfill, Mr. Emerson suggested that Mr. Lewellyn do some research on the permits and come back to the Commissioners with a proposal. Mr. Lewellyn stated that he will help the recycling center in any way he can. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Lewellyn for all his input and concerns.

### **MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD NEW BUSINESS**

**Item One:** Mr. Pyle stated that anyone going to KAC needs to get registered.

**Item Two:** Mr. Pyle stated that the Election Office is currently working on setting up new election equipment and preparing it for Election Day. Mr. Pyle also stated that advance voting is open in the County Clerk's office and the public seems to be having a positive response to the new touch screen voting machines.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

**Item One:** Road and Bridge Coordinator Alyssa Edwards requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

**On motion (19-341)** 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 Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Road & Bridge Coordinator Alyssa Edwards and to reconvene by 11:04 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 10:44 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:54 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

**Item Two:** Commissioner Johnson requested an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

**On motion (19-342)** 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 10 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:04 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Johnson

Nays:

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Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

**The motion prevailed.**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:54 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:04 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

**Item One: October 22, 2019 – 9:00 AM** Work Session with Ryan Insurance on Quarterly Claims Report.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Item One: Now until November 4, 2019 at 12:00 Noon** – Advance Voting is open in the County Clerk's Office.

**Item Two: Saturday, October 26, 2019** – Advanced Voting at the Meadowbrook Mall from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

**Item Three: Sunday, October 27, 2019** – Advanced Voting at the Meadowbrook Mall from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

**Item Four: Monday, October 28, 2019** – Advanced Voting at the Homer Cole Center from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

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

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Item One:** Adjournment

**On the motion** of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the [October 18, 2019](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:08 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.**

**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 BKW 10/18/19 11:08 AM/amended BKW 10/21/19 2:00 PM](#)