

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2016, SIXTY-NINTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS Friday, September 16, 2016, 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 Carl Wood and Jeff Murphy 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 (16-328) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Murphy that the consent agenda be approved including:

- 1. Approval of the September 13, 2016 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 567851 to 568100 dated September 15, 2016 in the total amount of \$380,689.11.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy 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 16	326	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the September 9, 2016 minutes
Motion 16	327	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson

**UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS**

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MESSAGES FROM THE COUNTY LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Item One: Mr. Blake Benson, Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce President discussing Crawford Co. Economic Development Policy. Mr. Benson introduced Ms. Becky Gray, City of Pittsburg Housing and Community Development Director. Mr. Benson stated that the Economic Development Committee has been trying to formalize the county's economic development efforts and the City of Pittsburg fully supports these efforts. He stated that one of the ways is to develop an incentive policy and the second is to be more intentional about marketing properties available in the county. Mr. Benson discussed the web site that the City of Pittsburg is currently using to market available properties in the City. He stated that Ms. Gray spearheaded the development of the site. Ms. Gray addressed the Commission and explained how the web site worked and all the information available on the site. Mr. Wood asked about County piggy backing with the City on the website and Ms. Gray discussed this with the Commissioners. There was discussion held on incentives to bring businesses into the County and City. Mr. Murphy handed out a proposed Statement of Policy and Procedures for Tax Exemption and Incentives for Economic Development for Crawford County. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Benson gave a brief explanation of the proposed policy.

Mr. Benson stated that there is a ground breaking on Monday, September 19, 2016 at 2:00 PM at Via Christi for a primary care unit and there will be a ground breaking on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 at 11:00 AM at Kendall Packaging.

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

Item One: Mr. Pyle addressed the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Health Insurance renewal rates. He stated that he had received new quotes without the Mental Health Group included and without Dental Insurance included. Mr. Wood would like to lock in and sign as soon as possible. Mr. Pyle discussed that the Gallagher Group had estimated that the county would realize about \$15,000 in savings by removing the dental insurance with Blue Cross and obtaining coverage through Delta Dental. Mr. Pyle was going to obtain a quote from Blue Cross and get additional information from the Gallagher Group.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated that the Appraiser's Office is requesting a Crawford County Credit card with at \$2,500 limit.

On motion (16-329) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to approve a Crawford County Credit card through Girard National Bank with a credit limit of \$2,500 for the Appraiser's Office.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

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The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Mr. Wood stated he attended the Zoning Work Session held on September 14, 2016 at 5:30 PM and reported on the outcome of the meeting. He stated that there will be a work session on October 7, 2016 at 8:00 AM with the County Commissioners, the Planning and Zoning Board Members, Mike Plank and May Smith from the Zoning Office and Mr. Dave Yearout in the Zoning Conference Room.

Item Four: Mr. Wood said that the road striping is completed and he is very happy with the results. He stated that the company doing the striping did an excellent job.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Item One: Mr. Moody requested an executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Jason VanBecelaere.

On motion (16-330) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson and Jason VanBecelaere.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

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 11:14 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

On motion (16-331) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to appoint Mr. Jason VanBecelaere as Crawford County Emergency Management Director.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

UNDER THE HEADING OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Mr. Pyle stated he spoke to the Blue Cross and Blue Shield representative during the time the Commissioners were in the Executive Session. He stated that the representative indicated that the prices for the Stop-Loss coverage should not change on future quotes and that they would provide a new quote on coverage for 2017.

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Item Two: Mr. Pyle showed the Commissioners what he will be sending to the departments with the copy of the final budget. He said he included the amounts each department was budgeted for and informed them of the 25 cents the Commissioners budgeted for employee raises.

Item Three: Mr. Wood asked about inventory and Mr. Pyle stated that is will be sent to all departments on October 1, 2016.

Item Four: Mr. Murphy stated that Brandon Spaur, IT Department, sent an email about linking with local media avenues on County related news items. Mr. Pyle will follow up with Mr. Spaur on this issue.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Item Two: Mr. Moody requested an executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

On motion (16-332) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Murphy to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters involving Non-Elected Personnel and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:28 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:40 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: September 20, 2016 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Project Manager Robert Gorentz to discuss building projects.

Item Two: September 20, 2016 – Mr. Mac Young, Community Corrections Administrative Director presenting the Community Corrections Fiscal 2016 Outcomes Report.

Item Three: September 23, 2016 – 9:00 AM Work Session to discuss drug testing policy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Item One: September 17, 2016 – Pittsburg State University Football Game.
Commissioner Moody and Commissioner Wood will be in attendance.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to adjourn the [September 16, 2016](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:45 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Murphy 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.

Don Pyle
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.
[Taken by BKW 9/16/16 11:40 AM/amended BKW 09/19/2016 10:52 AM](#)