

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2024, **FORTY-THIRD** MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Tuesday, June 11, 2024 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 Carl Wood served as the presiding officer.

Commissioners Bruce Blair and Tom Moody were in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker and County Counselor Jim Emerson were seated with the Board.

Chairman Wood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNDER THE HEADING BUSINESS FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

On motion (24-271) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **June 7, 2024** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

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 24	267	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the June 4, 2024 minutes, and Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers
Motion 24	268	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss land use consultant and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:41 AM
Motion 24	269	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a

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		period of not more than 10 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel to discuss the Road and Bridge Department and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson, and to reconvene by 10:48 AM
Motion 24	270	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss Homer Cole Center and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:07 AM

UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson presented a Jurisdictional Agreement between the City of Arma and Crawford County. He explained the details of this agreement and the map of the area that Arma does not have jurisdiction over at this time. Mr. Emerson stated City of Arma is just wanting permission from the Commissioners to patrol this area. Commissioner Wood asked a question about the map presented.

On motion (24-272) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Wood to approve the Jurisdictional Agreement between the City of Arma and Crawford County as presented.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood, and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson stated the Commissioners have been invited to a lunch on June 25th at 12:00 PM with Crawford County Mental Health, Mental Health Governing Board, Agency Directors, and Crossland. He mentioned they will have to RSVP.

Item Three: Commissioner Blair asked if any of the other Commissioners planned on going to Chanute on June 20th at 12:00 PM for the Annual General Commission Meeting with the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission and that it is RSVP. He stated he is going to try to attend this meeting.

Item Four: Commissioner Wood discussed the mix they got from Carthage and that it was looking good. Commissioner Moody asked how long it took them to go get this mix

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and Commissioner Wood answered it was about an hour and 30 minutes round trip and he believes they took two trucks.

Item Five: Commissioner Wood stated he met with Evergy yesterday in regards to the two street lights he previously mentioned being put up going into Opolis and Prairie View subdivision. He stated Evergy said it would be a couple of weeks before they could do this and that he does not know the exact amount it would cost yet. Mr. Emerson said typically the county would get something from Evergy showing where the lights will go with the exact cost and then the commission will make a motion to approve.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Moody gave an update on Sugarcreek road. He stated they have put the pug rock down and have been watering it. Commissioner Moody mentioned it is looking very good.

Item Two: Commissioner Wood stated he is going to visit with Foreman Josh Peak about how they are doing on Purple Wave trying to get rid of the graders and pressure washer. Commissioner Blair stated there is a list of all the things they are listing on Purple Wave. Commissioner Blair stated he would like to sell two of the graders on this list but keep one of them as a spare. Commissioner Wood stated he believed there was already a spare grader and Commissioner Moody said he would like to check into this first before they make a decision. Commissioner Moody asked Mr. Emerson when the deadline for ARPA funds is and Mr. Emerson stated everything has to be obligated by the end of this year and then we have an additional two years to spend it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (24-273) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 20 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss EMS and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:44 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood, Moody, and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:24 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:39 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

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On motion (24-274) 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 20 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel to discuss the zoning and land use consultant and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, and Zoning Administrator May Smith, and to reconvene by 11:01 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood, Moody, and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:41 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:01 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: June 14, 2024 -- Representative from American Red Cross giving a presentation.

Item Two: June 14, 2024- 9:00 AM Budget work session.

Item Three: June 18, 2024- 9:00 AM Budget work session.

Item Four: June 21, 2024- 9:00 AM Budget work session.

Item Two: June 25, 2024- 10:00 AM Public hearing on Vacating a Platted Street and Alley in the Town of Croweburg, Crawford County, Kansas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Item One: June 20, 2024- 12:00 PM Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission Annual General Commission Meeting in Chanute. One or more Commissioner may be in attendance.

Item Two: June 25, 2024- 12:00 PM Lunch with Crawford County Mental Health, Mental Health Governing Board, Agency Directors, and Crossland Construction at Palluccas Event Center. One or more Commissioner may be in attendance.

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

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On the motion of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to adjourn the [June 11, 2024](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:03 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair, Moody, 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.

Lisa Lusker
County Clerk

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This submission completed at the Crawford County Courthouse in Girard.

[Taken RJA 06/13/24 9:00 AM](#)