

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2024, FORTIETH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. **Friday, May 31, 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.

Commissioner Bruce Blair was 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 (24-259) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Wood that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the **May 28, 2024** minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, and
2. Authorizing the Chairman to sign the previous week's vouchers.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed and the consent agenda was approved.

SIGNING OF MOTIONS

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

Motion 24	256	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the May 24, 2024 minutes
Motion 24	257	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss HRRR and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:33 AM

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Motion 24	258	To recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for a period of not more than 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss consultant and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 11:38 AM
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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

Item One: Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the Crawford County Conservation District Mr. Mark Lehman addressed the Commissioners. He stated he is here to request the county matching funds. Mr. Lehman mentioned they are asking for \$45,000 this year compared to \$49,500 but this is because they are not able to find a technician to hire. He mentioned the State will allow them to continue looking for a technician through July but if they cannot hire one then they will not have one. Commissioner Wood asked Mr. Lehman what the qualifications are for that position and Mr. Lehman explained some of the qualifications necessary for this job. Mr. Lehman explained to the Commissioners they also received a federal grant to have two interns for the year. He briefly discussed the new district manager as well.

MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC

NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Wood asked County Counselor Jim Emerson to call Zoning Administrator May Smith to see if she can come up to the meeting.

Item Two: Commissioner Wood asked what will be done with the pickup truck located at the barn and if it will be listed on Purple Wave. Commissioner Blair discussed reassigning the truck to Sign Foreman Dale Shireman and Commissioner Wood agreed that would be a good idea.

Item Three: Commissioner Wood asked Mr. Emerson when they will be having a tax sale and Mr. Emerson answered he is currently waiting on documentation from the Crawford County Abstract Office and only has about one fourth of the information he needs to conduct a sale. Mr. Emerson mentioned he will call the abstract office to discuss this.

Item Four: Zoning Administrator May Smith addressed the Commissioners in regards to tire collection. She provided the Commissioners with copies of their options for tire collection as well as some details regarding their options. She mentioned the last tire collection was in 2022 and there was 176 tons received. Ms. Smith stated the days they are looking at having tire collection this year would be Friday June 21 and Saturday June 22 and that these dates were chosen to match the company's schedule. Mr. Emerson

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asked Ms. Smith how many people she would need to help run the tire collection and she stated 3 to 4. Mr. Emerson asked what time she was thinking for Friday June 21 and she stated 8:00 AM to whenever the Road and Bridge workers typically get off work so she decided time would be from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM on that Friday and on Saturday June 22 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. She asked if they want to accept tractor tires and Commissioner Wood asked if they accepted them last year and Ms. Smith answered yes. Commissioner Wood stated no rims with any tires and Ms. Smith agreed. Ms. Smith mentioned she put on the paper that there will be no tire drop offs after hours. Commissioner Wood stated that he would like to change the time on Friday June 21 to 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Ms. Smith asked where they want the tire locations to be and Commissioner Blair stated they can do it the same places as they previously have. Commissioner Wood asked if they could do June 21 and June 22 at the District 3 barn and June 28 and June 29 at the District 1 barn. Ms. Smith said they can do the two weekends. Ms. Smith asked about small collection sites and said with the Commissioners permission, she can have Mr. Bill Towery arrange for the small collection sites at Walnut, Hepler, Mulberry, and Arcadia. Commissioner Wood asked to see if they can combine Mulberry and Arcadia.

OLD BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: County Counselor Jim Emerson requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (24-260) 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 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss KDOT HRRR and to include the Board of County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson and to reconvene by 10:43 AM.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:28 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:38 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Two: Commissioner Wood requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship.

On motion (24-261) 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 15 minutes to discuss items that would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client Relationship to discuss zoning and to include the Board of County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, and Zoning Administrator May Smith, and to reconvene by 10:53 AM.

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Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:38 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:46 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: June 7, 2024 – 9:00 AM Work Session with Director of RJA Angie Hadley and Program Director Heidi Moody.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Wood to adjourn the [May 31, 2024](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 10:47 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting: Commissioner Moody

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 6/3/24 10:00 AM/amended 6/3/24 2:00 PM