

Board of Crawford County Commissioners

Commissioners' Journal

2025, FORTY-SEVENTH MEETING

CRAWFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM
Girard, KS. Tuesday, July 08, 2025 at 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 Carl Wood were in attendance.

County Clerk Lisa Lusker 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 (25-254) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair that the consent agenda be approved including:

1. Approval of the July 01, 2025 minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Yeas: Commissioners Wood, Blair, and Moody

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 25	249	That the consent agenda be approved including: Approval of the June 27, 2025 minutes
Motion 25	250	To authorize the maintenance department to go out for bid on two boilers for the Judicial Center
Motion 25	251	To approve the June 2025 Clerk's Report as presented
Motion 25	252	To recess this open meeting and to go into a closed executive session for 15 minutes for legal advice pertaining to grants which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship pursuant to the consultation with attorney exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), with the County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson present. The open meeting will resume at 10:54 A.M. The motion passed 3-0

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Motion 25	253	To close the courthouse at 12:00 PM on Thursday, July 3, 2025
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UNDER THE HEADING NEW BUSINESS PROCLAMATION AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD PUBLIC HEARINGS AND OPENING OF ANNOUNCED BIDS

Item One: Public Hearing on Vacating a Platted Street located in the Town of Radley, Crawford County, Kansas.

On motion (25-255) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Moody to open the Public Hearing on Vacating a Platted Street located in the Town of Radley, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

There was no public comment.

On motion (25-256) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to close the Public Hearing on Vacating a Platted Street located in the Town of Radley, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

County Counselor Jim Emerson presented Resolution #2025-021, a Resolution closing and vacating a portion of Bailey Ave in the Town of Radley and in Girard Coal Company's First Addition to the Town of Radley, Crawford County, Kansas. He provided information regarding this resolution and that there was no comment regarding this.

On motion (25-257) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to adopt Resolution #2025-021, a Resolution closing and vacating a portion of Bailey Ave in the Town of Radley and in Girard Coal Company's First Addition to the Town of Radley, Crawford County, Kansas.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

**MESSAGES FROM CRAWFORD CO LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH
MESSAGES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
MESSAGES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS**

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MESSAGES FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Item One: Zoning Administrator May Smith addressed the Commissioners to present a Short Plat Subdivision. She explained this was heard by the Planning and Zoning Board several months ago but that due to some errors on behalf of the owners she is just now able to present the subdivision to the Commissioners. Ms. Smith explained the details of the subdivision to the Commissioners. Ms. Smith explained there was a couple of people that showed up to the Planning and Zoning meeting regarding this subdivision and she explained their concerns. Commissioner Moody asked Mr. Dennis Meier if one of the concerns had been addressed and Mr. Meier explained. Commissioner Wood asked if there will have to be additional roads put in for these lots and Ms. Smith answered. Commissioner Wood asked Mr. Meier if he will be building the roads and Mr. Meier answered. Commissioner Blair asked if there was any opposition and Ms. Smith answered there was no opposition. Ms. Smith presented Resolution #2025-022, a Resolution to accept and grant the proposed development to be known as “Terrapin Ridge Estates” and to accept and grant the amendment of zoning from Rural Residential/Agricultural to Rural Residential for the proposed development.

On motion (25-258) of Commissioner Blair and the second of Commissioner Wood to adopt Resolution #2025-022, a Resolution to accept and grant the proposed development to be known as “Terrapin Ridge Estates” and to accept and grant the amendment of zoning from Rural Residential/Agricultural to Rural Residential for the proposed development.

Yeas: Commissioners Blair, Wood, and Moody

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item One: Communications Director Tim Mikrut requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Non-Elected Personnel.

On motion (25-259) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open meeting and go into a closed executive session for 15 minutes to discuss contracts pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to protect the privacy of the individual employees. The County Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, and Communications Director Tim Mikrut attended the executive session. The open meeting will resume at 10:31 AM. The Motion passed 3-0.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:16 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 10:31 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

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MESSAGES FROM THE PUBLIC NEW BUSINESS

Item One: Commissioner Wood stated he has had a few calls from residents saying they cannot get online and access the survey. He asked if the survey is still ongoing and Mr. Emerson stated the survey is still open. Mr. Emerson stated that Mr. Joshua Albin has contacted him with some advertising that he is planning on doing this next week. Mr. Emerson stated he believes Mr. Albin would like to possibly see the survey be wrapped up at the end of the month but that it will depend on advertising.

Item Two: Commissioner Wood stated there was a discrepancy with the oil distributor and that he has talked to Shop Foreman Josh Peak regarding this issue. He discussed Mr. Peak purchasing asphalt cleaner in the amount of \$1,916.20.

On motion (25-260) of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Moody to approve Shop Foreman Josh Peak purchasing asphalt cleaner in the amount of \$1,916.20.
Yeas: Commissioners Wood, Moody, and Blair

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Commissioner Wood asked Mr. Emerson where they are at with the tax sales and Mr. Emerson answered. Mr. Emerson stated the goal is to get a conference call with the title company first.

Item Four: Commissioner Wood stated the Crawford County museum needs spraying done and wanted to know if he could have Noxious Weeds Director Tommy Scales spray the area and it was agreed upon that he could.

OLD BUSINESS

Item One: County Clerk Lisa Lusker asked for an update on the property that City of Girard would need to rezone for the Clerk's office storage building and Commissioner Blair answered. Commissioner Wood asked if it was decided what size building that is wanted and Commissioner Blair answered. Commissioner Wood asked Ms. Lusker if she knows what she wants and she stated she does.

Item Two: Mr. Emerson provided the Commissioners again with the bids for the security monitoring at the Judicial Center. He included the installation fees and the monthly fees. Commissioner Blair discussed that Uplink is cheaper initially but has the higher monthly fee. Commissioner Wood asked if this can be rebid and Mr. Emerson explained. Commissioner Moody stated that is something they could look at later down the road. Commissioner Blair discussed the process of bidding when it came to this project. Commissioner Wood had asked if Craw-Kan had already provided a bid before they went out for bid on the project and Mr. Emerson confirmed. Commissioner Blair stated the bidding process needs to be uniform. Mr. Emerson mentioned the bidding policy is older

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and that is what they will need to look at. Commissioner Wood asked to have Mr. Emerson to look into what other counties do for their bidding policies.

On motion (25-261) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to award Craw-Kan the Judicial Center Monitoring bid.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

Item Three: Commissioner Wood mentioned in the next couple of days the oil distributor should be ready. He stated he is thankful for City of Pittsburg for helping the county.

Item Four: Commissioner Blair informed Commissioner Moody that west of Capaldo there is a road failure. Commissioner Moody stated he will make his Foreman aware of this.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CONTINUED

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

On motion (25-262) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open meeting and go into a closed executive session for 20 minutes pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to protect the privacy of the individual employees. The County Commissioners and County Counselor Jim Emerson attended the executive session. The open meeting will resume at 11:13 AM. The Motion passed 3-0.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair, and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:53 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:13 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

Item Three: IT Director Brandon Spaur requested an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss matters relating to security measures.

On motion (25-263) of Commissioner Moody and the second of Commissioner Blair to recess this open session and go into a closed executive session for 15 minutes to discuss information system pursuant to the matters relating to security measures, if the discussion of such matters at an open meeting would jeopardize such security measures that protect a public body or agency, public building or facility or the information system of a public body or agency exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(12)(C), and to include the County

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Commissioners, County Counselor Jim Emerson, and IT Director Brandon Spaur. The open meeting will resume at 11:29 A.M. The motion passed 3-0.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Blair and Wood

Nays:

Present but not voting:

Absent or not voting:

The motion prevailed.

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 11:14 AM and reconvened the Open Session at 11:26 AM with no action taken except to go back into open session.

UNDER THE HEADING FUTURE BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FUTURE BUSINESS:

Item One: July 11, 2025- 9:00 AM Budget Work session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNDER THE HEADING MOTION TO ADJOURN MOTION TO ADJOURN

Item One: Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Wood and the second of Commissioner Blair to adjourn the [July 8, 2025](#) meeting of the Board of Crawford County Commissioners at 11:27 AM and to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled time with open doors.

Yeas: Commissioners Moody, Wood, and Blair

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 07/9/2025 4:15 PM/amended BKW 7/10/25 8:00 AM