

Crawford County Commission met pursuant to adjournment with these members present: Steve Black, Presiding Commissioner; Rob Cummings, Commissioner District 1; Jared Boast, Commissioner District 2; De Dee Hamilton, Representing County Clerk; and the following proceedings were had to viz;

Attendees at the beginning of the meeting included Chuck Ray, Mark Pfeiffer, Gentry Hutchings, Robert and Francie Rohrer, Danny Brown, Kellie Vestal, Karen Sikes and Kim Cook.

9:00 a.m.: The meeting opened with prayer from Sheriff Darin Layman.

9:00 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to accept the Agenda for August 1, 2023, Jared Boast provided a second. All in favor; motion carried.

Rob Cummings made a motion to accept the open Commission Meeting Minutes from July 25, 2023; Jared Boast seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Cindy Redburn and Sue Greenstreet entered the meeting.

Mail and other correspondence.

Steve Black said that he had spoken to the liability insurance company for the county regarding amending the employee handbook to include references to a probationary period for employees and an exit interview for employees who leave employment with the county. It was decided to wait to make any revisions to the handbook until there was further discussion with the employee salary committee.

Steve Black said he had been contacted by a citizen new to Crawford County who had been looking for emergency services in the county on the county's website. It was agreed that the county's IT person would be contacted and those service numbers would be added to the website.

9:15 a.m.: Kellie Vestal gave the commission the Assessor's report for July for signatures.

Karen Sikes said she had spoken to the rep from Raymond James regarding the county investments and that John Martin still hasn't signed documents to allow adding Karen Sikes and Steve Black to the account. De Dee Hamilton agreed to ask John Martin about it.

Citizens' participation: Chuck Ray asked for the appointment of Matt Peregoy, to the Crawford County Enhanced Enterprise Board, due to the resignation of Kyle Gibbs. Chuck Ray also asked for the reappointment of Roger Loudermann to the same board. Jared Boast made a motion for both appointments. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

9:21 a.m.: Francie Rohrer introduced herself to the commission and said that she was part of the Silver Hair Legislature. Francie Rohrer was there in support of SB190. She wanted to urge the commission to support the bill. Steve Black advised that the county had hired an attorney who would bring clarification regarding the bill after the August 28 meeting the attorney would be attending to learn about the bill.

9:30 a.m.: Gentry Hutchings inquired about bids the county had awarded previously for propane, rock, etc. He asked if awarded bid information could be available for public notice in the paper and in the minutes. Gentry Hutchings was told it was in the minutes. He asked about the responsibilities of county employees and elected officials. Gentry Hutchings was told that information was available by statute. Cindy Redburn commented on the job duties for the clerk's office vs an administrative assistant, and the job duties of the commission vs the clerk's office.

Old business: There is no commission meeting next Tuesday, August 8, due to the special election. Jared Boast advised that he and Commissioner Cummings could possibly be together for a TAC meeting at MRPC at 4 p.m. on August 10.

There was no new business.

Kellie Vestal asked for an update on the appraisal of the garage building the county owns. Steve Black said he would contact the appraiser today.

Jared Boast made a motion to accept the closed Commission Meeting Minutes from July 25, 2023; Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

9:55 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to go into closed session 610.021.3 to discuss personnel. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

10:43 a.m.: The commission was back in open session with Darin Layman, Danny Brown and De Dee Hamilton present.

Steve Black made a motion to hire Mark Friedman as the EMD for a term from August 1, 2023- July 31st, 2024. Evaluation of the position will be in May, 2024. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. Jared Boast abstained.

10:45 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to adjourn the August 1, 2023, meeting of the Crawford County Commission. Jared Boast seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

The Commission adjourned to meet August 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Steve Black, Presiding Commissioner