

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 Kellie Vestal, Danny Brown, Karen Sikes, Cindy Redburn, Mark Pfeiffer, Charles Cunningham, Jax Jensen, Amy England, Judy Aldrich, Kathy Berti, Andy Keymann, Andrew Polacek, Darin Layman and Darren Dake.

9:00 a.m.: Andy Keymann opened the meeting with prayer and exited the meeting.

9:05 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to accept the agenda for the January 9, 2024, meeting. Jared Boast provided a second. All in favor; motion carried.

Jared Boast made a motion to accept the Commission Meeting Minutes from December 19, 2023; Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

A letter was received from the Department of Natural Resources regarding an inspection of the county landfill. The landfill was found to be in compliance.

Two members of the Senior Citizens Board submitted letters requesting to be reappointed to the board. Discussion was held regarding proper procedure to be placed on a board that was established by the commission last year. Steve Black will contact the board chair and have them go through the proper channels before making the appointments.

Two bids were received to sell the Franklin Street garage property. Legacy Realty will sell it for a 5% commission rate, and Shailene Henry will sell it for a 6% commission rate. Jared Boast made a motion for a six-month listing with Legacy Realty at 5% commission. The address of the property was to be clarified with Legacy. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. Steve Black will contact Legacy.

Kellie Vestal presented the December supplementals for signature.

Karen Sikes gave fund settlement totals for the end of the year.

9:20 a.m.: Pat Schwent and a taxpayer entered the meeting.

Darin Layman presented the contract Gasconade County has with the county, to house their inmates. The contract is for \$182,000, for one year. Rob Cummings signed a missed page on the loan agreement that was signed a couple of weeks ago for the fleet of patrol cars.

Cindy Redburn handed out an invitation to attend a paper ballot hand counting session that is being held. Cindy Redburn had other questions regarding the purchase of the Tutterrow building. Jared Boast explained, again, why the commission at the time made the decision they did and reminded everyone that they had looked at five other buildings trying to find a place for the coroner and had hoped to also house the extension there. The extension council had funds available at that time, because of COVID, and could have made some of that money available for the county, but not in the existing building the extension is housed in. More discussion

followed with Jared Boast informing those in attendance, that every building looked at was assessed before being considered for purchase.

9:45 a.m.: Pat Schwent approached the commission regarding a surplus funds redemption. Rob Cummings made a motion to redeem surplus funds in the amount of \$5896.34 for property at 501 W Main Street in Steelville. Jared Boast seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

9:50 a.m.: Judy Aldrich had questions about the coroners project and also asked if the commission was aware that the water at the road district 2 shed was contaminated. Jared Boast replied that he was unaware that the water was not potable. Jared Boast said he would have the water tested. Jax Jensen had questions regarding the purchase of the Tutterrow building. Jared Boast reiterated again that the decision made at the time was what the commission felt was the right decision, taking into consideration that the extension had funds available to help with a move. None of those funds were available until a different building would replace the existing building that housed the extension. He added that the funding could not be spent on the purchase of a new building. Steve Black added that the cost was too high to get them into a new building and that's why they relocated to the STE building. Judy Aldrich asked what was going to be done with the Tutterrow building and stated that it would take \$200,000 to remodel the building. Jared Boast said that was not true.

Conversation moved to changing hours for the commission meeting and the reasons why that was not happening was explained, again. Judy Aldrich asked about the availability of a list of county expenditures. De Dee Hamilton advised that the financial statement was published in the newspaper every year. Judy Aldrich asked about other county information and was told it was available in the clerk's office.

10:10 a.m.: Corky Stack came in and gave an update on the coroner's building. He also had a work order from the tuckpointing project addressing some issues that had been discovered while doing the project. It was agreed to do this now, while they had the crew here and also to prevent further damage to the building. Jared Boast made a motion to allow \$10,800 for the expense. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. Corky Stack exited the meeting.

10:30 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to adjourn the January 9, 2024, meeting of the Crawford County Commission. Jared Boast seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

The Commission adjourned to meet January 16, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Steve Black, Presiding Commissioner