

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; and the following proceedings were had to viz;

Attendees at the beginning of the meeting included Kellie Vestal, Danny Brown, Karen Sikes, Amy England, Cindy Redburn, Charles Cunningham, Jax Jensen, Charlee Jensen, Kathy Berti, Tonya Bouckaert, Darin Layman, Judi Aldrich, Skip Sheleski, Mark Pfeiffer, Chad Barton, Fannie Lea and Darren Dake.

Darin Layman opened the meeting with prayer.

9:00 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to accept the agenda for the February 27, 2024, meeting. Jared Boast provided a second. All in favor; motion carried.

Jared Boast made a motion to accept the Commission Meeting Minutes from February 13, 2024. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Steve Black advised that he had received the financial statement from the Crawford County Library District.

County Officials: Darin Layman needed signatures from the commission for a highway safety grant.

Kim Cook entered the meeting.

Jared Boast addressed Judi Aldrich regarding her past statements, that the well water at the Road District 2 shed was contaminated. Judi Aldrich stated Kenny McGraw told employees not to drink the water. Jared Boast advised that DNR had been contacted and said they had received a complaint from Randy Chandler. Randy Chandler had stated in his complaint that he is employed with Crawford County Road District 2 and had been told not to drink the water because it was contaminated. Skippy Sheleski stated that the word contamination is not good for the restaurant business and that he took it very personally when Judi Aldrich came to his business and told him that the well at the RD2 shed had been contaminated for twenty years. After further discussion, Jared Boast stated that the DNR test on the well had come back and there was not one contaminant in the water.

9:35 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to enter into a contract to lease space from STE for the Extension office, with the amount of the lease to be above the asked-for amount of their budget in future years. The lease for 2024 would be paid out of the stabilization fund. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Jared Boast made a motion to not accept an offer of \$95,000 on the property on Franklin Street. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

9:40 a.m.: Citizens' participation: Judi Aldrich inquired about the bridge fail last week. There was no accident report made because there were no injuries. Danny Brown said that MoDOT came out and assessed the situation and advised how it should be repaired.

9:50 a.m.: Darren Dake approached the commission to explain the air lock system in the coroners building, and the cost. Darren Dake also informed Judi Aldrich that there was no \$150,000 kitchen going into the coroners building, the kitchen already existed in the building. He added there was no multi thousand dollar air lock. Discussion was held regarding all the misinformation that was being spread.

10:00 a.m.: Kathy Berti inquired about a hearing on another road vacancy being held on the same day the hearing will be on Thickety Ford Road. Steve Black advised that he didn't know about the other hearing until this past Sunday and that he would call Brooks Kenagy, as they were past the three week time period required for reading the petition.

10:15 a.m.: Fannie Lea is employed with the Soil and Water District and wanted the commission to know she had moved from Rolla into the STE space in Steelville, and appreciated the relocation.

10:19 a.m.: Jared Boast advised that the three commissioners would be together on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for required training.

10:42 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to adjourn the February 27, 2024, meeting of the Crawford County Commission. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

The Commission adjourned to meet Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Steve Black, Presiding Commissioner