

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 Amy England, Hunter Phillips, Richard Jensen, Kellie Vestal, Kathy Berti, Darin Layman, Mark Pfeiffer, Pat Schwent, Jen Tracy, Debbie Martin, Chad Barton, Ryan Storz, Kim Cook and Gary Mace.

Gary Mace opened the meeting with prayer.

9:00 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to accept the agenda for the April 16, 2024, meeting. Jared Boast provided a second. All in favor; motion carried.

Jared Boast made a motion to accept the Commission Meeting Minutes from April 9, 2024. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Karen Sikes gave the Treasurers' report for March.

Darin Layman had Steve Black sign an amendment to a grant the Sheriff's Department had applied for.

Jared Boast gave an update on a major repair done on Jakes Prairie Road. An abandoned box culvert had caused a huge hole in the road. The damage was reported and fixed yesterday afternoon.

Steve Black advised that he had been contacted by Blaine Luktenmeyer's office, who told him that the bridge on Highway N that is scheduled to be repaired in 2027 could be expedited. Steve Black said he would return the call to proceed with the project as soon as was now possible.

9:10 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to allow surplus funds to be received for property at 537 E Hwy 8 in Steelville in the amount of \$9145.01. Jared Boast seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. Pat Schwent and the property owner exited the meeting.

9:16 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to accept Great River Engineering's letter of interest regarding the High Point Road Bridge project. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

9:18 a.m.: Steve Black advised that a board member's term on the Library Board is up on June 30. This will be advertised in the local newspapers and the commission will make the appointment to the board before the term expires.

9:28 a.m.: Pat Schwent addressed the commission regarding the Freeman Building. Steve Black made a motion that Pat Schwent/Collectors office only should have access to the key to the vault in the Freeman Building. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding construction of a walkway between the Assessor/Collector's building and the Freeman Building.

9:43 a.m.: Citizens' Participation: Kathy Berti inquired about the Thickety Ford Road hearing decision. Steve Black advised the commission was discussing it in closed session today.

9:45 a.m.: Lancer Blair commented on the success of the Lincoln Day Dinner.

Pat Schwent advised that the Sheriff's Department would charge \$35 each to post notices on properties that were to be sold at the tax sale.

9:48 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to 610.021.1 to discuss legal issues. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

10:35 a.m.: The commission was back in open session with De Dee Hamilton and Danny Brown present.

11:00 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to adjourn the April 16, 2024, meeting of the Crawford County Commission. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

The Commission adjourned to meet Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Steve Black, Presiding Commissioner