

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; and De Dee Hamilton; and the following proceedings were had to viz;

Attendees at the beginning of the meeting included Dana Pilkenton, Danny Brown, Mark Pfeiffer, Darin Layman, Cindy Redburn, Richard Jensen, Kim Cook, Hunter Phillips, Kellie Vestal, Franky Todd, Amy England, Brett Hendrix, Krysta Swartz, Michael Lovell, Jim Brand, Jr., Rodney Neff, and Rick Haggett.

Rick Haggett opened the meeting with prayer and exited.

9:00 a.m.: Rob Cummings made a motion to accept the agenda for the November 12, 2024, meeting of the Crawford County Commission. Jared Boast seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Jared Boast made a motion to accept the Crawford County Commission meeting minutes of October 15, 2024. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Steve Black introduced Brett Hendrix with SEMA. Brett Hendrix advised that SEMA was doing damage assessments in the county following the flood last week. He will be back next week.

9:15 a.m.: Steve Black commented on the damage that had been done to various county buildings. The assessor and collector's offices hope to be back open on November 13, 2024.

Steve Black made a motion for Karen Sikes to be allowed to make changes to the credit cards for authorized offices. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Kellie Vestal had October supplementals for signature.

9:22 a.m.: Dana Pilkenton advised that she is starting on the 2025 budget. Dana Pilkenton stated the county had a 65% voter turnout last week and explained the concise process involved with counting absentees and write-in votes, resulting in a late night on election night.

9:28 a.m.: Darin Layman stated that he had been with the clerk's office all day and evening on Election Day and that the clerk and her staff had done a great job. Darin Layman added that there would be three courts going on in the courthouse tomorrow, November 13, 2024.

Danny Brown said the annual materials bid needed to be in the papers next week. De Dee Hamilton agreed to have it published for one week, with bids to be opened on December 3, 2024.

Jared Boast advised that he and Danny Brown had attended a seminar with other governmental agencies two weeks ago. Jared Boast said there was great roundtable discussion regarding potential funding for the county through National Forest and the Conservation.

Steve Black made a motion for the courthouse and county offices to be closed the day after Thanksgiving, Friday, November 29, 2024. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

9:35 a.m.: Krysta Swartz with Great River Engineering presented paperwork for signatures for the bridges on Benton Creek, Little Shoal and Courtoise.

9:42 a.m.: Tom Bennett entered the meeting.

The Extension office was on the agenda but was not present.

9:48 a.m.: Tom Bennett was on the agenda to discuss problems on Essman Dunn Road. Tom Bennett thought the county needed to spend more money on replacement vs repair. Jared Boast explained the topography of the road.

Steve Black was going to contact Tim Pratt regarding any open terms on the Senior Citizens Board.

There were no snow removal bids received. The notice will run again for two weeks, with opening bids being on December 3, 2024.

10:07 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to approve \$19,500 to Bar Com for security enhancements updating the security system around the courthouse. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

10:16 a.m.: Citizens' participation: Mike Lovell requested that this culvert pipe on Windle Road be cleaned or replaced.

10:20 a.m.: Cindy Redburn was a watcher in Crawford County at the November 5, 2024 General Election. Cindy Redburn wanted to acknowledge the clerk's office and how impressed she was with the system in place regarding elections in Crawford County.

10:22 a.m.: Jim Brand Jr. had questions regarding Trail and Glassey Road.

10:30 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to secure to closed session to discuss real estate 610.021.2 and personnel 610.021.3.

11:20 a.m.: The commission was back in open session with De Dee Hamilton, Dana Pilkenton, Darin Layman, Mark Pfeiffer, Karen Sikes, and Mark and Laura Wallace.

11:20 a.m.: Van Kitchen entered the meeting regarding employee-paid ancillary benefits. Steve Black asked Van Kitchen to be on the agenda November 19, 2024 at 9:15 a.m.

11:25 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to retain Danny Brown for Road District 1 and 2 through an engineering contract. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

11:28 a.m.: Jared Boast made a motion to enter into a commercial lease/purchase agreement with Crawford County Mercantile for a twenty-four month period, beginning November 18, 2024, for \$1,000 per month. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Mark and Laura Wallace exited the meeting.

Kim Cook, Franky Todd and Pat Schwent entered the meeting. Discussion was held regarding bill pay no longer being a payment option for the Collector's office. Kim Cook inquired as to when the parking lot was going to be hosed off. No one was aware of when that would occur.

11:50 a.m.: Tracy Stover entered the meeting. It was agreed that water samples could be dropped off at the Sheriff's Department until the Health Department was back in their building following the flood last week. Tracy Stover was also going to secure vaccines to the coroners building. Jared Boast was going to check into temporary job trailers for the Health Department.

12:15.: Jared Boast made a motion to adjourn the November 12, 2024, meeting of the Crawford County Commission. Rob Cummings seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

The Commission adjourned to meet Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Steve Black, Presiding Commissioner