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OCTOBER 12, 2006

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The members of the Crawford County Board met in regular session Thursday, October 12, 2006. Chairman Joe Bliss called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

Upon roll call Debbie Dix, David Fulling, Alyce Mullins, Richard Newbold, Don Richart, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, Ron Veenstra, Ron Williamson and Joe Bliss were present.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2006 board meeting with the correction of Ron Veenstra voting "aye" on the County Board Rules on page 3. Richard Newbold seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve claims. Richard Newbold seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see claims 1069-1129)

Officer reports were given by Treasurer-Doris Tracy, Sheriff-Todd Liston, Coroner-Earl Deckard, Supervisor of Assessments-Betty Bailey, Superintendent of Highways-Justin Childress, State's Attorney-Jay Holtzhouser, Public Defender-Matt Hartrich, Probation Officer-Betty Vandevender and County Clerk-Patty Lycan.

Ron Veenstra made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Richard Newbold seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see reports 1130-1133)

Supervisor of Assessments-Betty Bailey presented a copy of fee schedule to board members. This will be placed on the agenda for November board meeting. (see 1134)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to allow the Supervisor of Assessments-Betty Bailey to sell the mapping information to Navteq for \$1,000. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see request 1135)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the IDOT Audit Reports #74 and #53. Richard Newbold seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see reports 1136-1160)

State's Attorney-Jay Holtzhouser reported on the RHSP fund. At this time all the money (\$30 million) is just sitting in the fund. No one is receiving any funding until at least late August or September 2007.

County Clerk-Patty Lycan reported that absentee, early and grace period voting has started in the Clerk's office.

The Health department had a short fall of \$18,000 from the appropriation and levy amount that was requested last year. State's Attorney, Jay Holtzhouser recommended increasing the levy for the next year to allow for shortfall.

The Resolution to Support the Continued Operation of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor was requested by State's Attorney-Jay Holtzhouser to be tabled for November.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to renew the Commercial Crime Officers Bond with Nixon Insurance Company for \$2,940.00. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see Bond 1161-1166)

Cross Roads Workforce Investment representative presented career placement and career deficits for 2010 and the goals developed to assist in addressing the problem for the fourteen county area after a recent meeting.

Debbie Dix reported that the Animal Control Committee had met to discuss the Pet Registration Ordinance. Copies of their proposal have been provided to all of the board members. State's Attorney, Jay Holtzhouser reminded the board that Pet Registration and Animal Control were two separate issues.

Ron Williamson made a motion to table the issue for 30 days. Don Richart seconded the motion. Upon roll call Debbie Dix, David Fulling, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Richard Newbold, Ron Williamson and Joe Bliss voted "aye". Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, and Ron Veenstra voted "nay". Motion carried with 7 "aye" and 3 "nays".

Debbie Dix answered questions regarding the proposed renewal of the Animal Control Contract with the Crawford County Humane Society.

Tom Titsworth made a motion that the Contract with the Humane Society be tabled for 30 days. Ron Williamson seconded the motion. Upon roll call Debbie Dix, David Fulling, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Tom Titsworth, Richard Newbold, Ron Williamson and Joe Bliss voted "aye". Bob Tuttle and Ron Veenstra voted "nay". Motion carried with 8 "ayes" and 2 "nays".

The following names were submitted for re-appointment to the Crawford Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees: (see 1167)

1. Mitzi Martin-Slater
2. Wanda James
3. Robin Guyer

The following names were submitted for re-appointment to the Crawford County Health Board of Directors: (see 1168)

1. William Bedwell
2. Robert Walsh

Break at 7:55 p.m.

Reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

Budget Officer, Don Webb, presented copies of the proposed budget. With the exception of salaries, most budgets have been frozen at last year's level. The proposed budget has a deficit of approximately \$230,000.00.

Tom Titsworth made a motion that the proposed budget be posted for 30 days before being presented for approval at the November meeting. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Upon roll call Debbie Dix, David Fulling, Ron Veenstra, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, Richard Newbold and Joe Bliss voted "aye". Ron Williamson voted "nay". Motion carried with 9 "ayes" and 1 "nay." (see 1169-1194)

Ron Williamson made a motion to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation and collective bargaining between a public body and it's employees. Richard Newbold seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

CLOSED SESSION AT 8:26 p.m.

Ron Williamson made a motion to return to open session. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 9:13 PM

COMMITTEE REPORTS WERE GIVEN

Ron Williamson reported that an Ambulance meeting would be coming up soon. Their contract expires next month.

Debbie Dix reported that Tourism will meet next Tuesday and go over the grant applications and decide the disposition of equipment.

Tom Titsworth made a motion that a fee of \$50 would be charged to the law firm wishing to use the boardroom for depositions for one-half day and \$100 for a full day. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Upon roll call Debbie Dix, David Fulling, Ron Veenstra, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, Richard Newbold and Joe Bliss voted "aye". Ron Williamson voted "nay". Motion carried with 9 "ayes" and 1 "nay".

Don Richart and David Fulling reported that a decision would need to be made soon regarding the insurance co-op for liability and worker compensation insurance. The deadline for a decision is November 2, 2006.

Alyce Mullins reported that copies of the Board Rules that were approved last month had been distributed.

David Fulling reported that Building and Grounds was seeking estimates for having the Courthouse tuck-pointed this year. There is a little money left in that fund.

Ron Williamson made a motion that the Board hold a special meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss insurance. Don Richart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Ron Williamson made a motion to call upon the clerk to issue per diem and mileage. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Richard Newbold made a motion to adjourn. Debbie Dix seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with an "aye" vote.

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 p. m.

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PATRICIA A LYCAN  
Clerk of the Crawford County Board