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COUNTY OF CRAWFORD }

Minutes of Proceedings "1 of 3"  
Crawford County Board  
Friday, February 13, 2004

The members of the Crawford County Board met in regular session Friday, February 13, 2004. Chairman Joe Bliss called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited by all attending.

Upon roll call Debbie Dix, Mike Green, Jody Inboden, Alyce Mullins, Richard Newbold, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, Ron Veenstra and Joe Bliss were present. Ron Williamson was absent.

Alyce Mullins stated that the Motion in the January minutes should reflect the change in salaries. (refer to amended budget for changes)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 9<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Tom Titsworth seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Mike Green made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Alyce Mullins seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Claims see pages 156-216)

Officer's reports were given by Sheriff Tom Weger, Treasurer Doris Tracy, Coroner Earl Deckard, Circuit Clerk Denise Utterback, States Attorney Mark Shaner, Superintendent of Highways Justin Childress, County Clerk Patty Lycan.

Debbie Dix made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report given by Treasurer Doris Tracy. Alyce Mullins seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Report see pages 217-220)

Crawford County's Health Department 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Report was presented.(see report 220a-220d)

Clerk Patty Lycan noted the Historical Society Treasurer's report dated 2-1-2004. (see report 221)

Circuit Clerk Denise Utterback gave her fiscal year report. She noted that Supreme Court # 529 has changed the distribution of fines with more money going to the county's general fund. (report see 222-223)

Mark Shaner is in the process of renewing a \$14,000.00 grant to hire a part-time Victims Advocate. He anticipates receiving word in the next 60 days if his grant has been renewed.

Richard Newbold made a motion to accept the **Joint Agreement** with IDOT for Federal funding for a Montgomery Twp bridge. Alyce Mullins seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Agreement see 224-228)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to accept the **Agreement** with Farnsworth Group for widening and resurfacing of a county road north of Oblong. Tom Titsworth seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (See agreement 229-240)

Tom Titsworth made a motion to allow closed minutes to remain closed. Bob Tuttle seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to go into closed session to discuss salary schedules for union employees, to fill a vacancy of a public office, and discuss January closed session minutes. Mark Shaner and Tom Weger were asked to remain for the closed meeting. Bob Tuttle seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

CLOSED SESSION 9:43 A.M.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to return to open session. Richard Newbold seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

OPEN SESSION 10:10 A.M.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to accept the **Addendum** to Collective Bargaining Agreement Laborers' Local 1197 (effective Sept. 1, 2003). Debbie Dix seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Agreement see 240-242)

Debbie Dix made a motion to accept the **Agreement** between the County of Crawford and Crawford County Sheriff and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council for Crawford County Sheriff's Department 12-1-2003 through 11-30-2006. Bob Tuttle seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Agreement see 243-305)

Approval of the January 9, 2004 closed session minutes was tabled until the March meeting

Tom Weger read his letter of resignation as Crawford County Sheriff effective February 13, 2004. Richard Newbold made a motion to accept Sheriff Weger's resignation. Tom Titsworth seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (See letter 306)

Mark Shaner complimented Weger on running an excellent department as compared to other departments Shaner has had contacts with.

Joe Bliss read a letter of recommendation from the Democratic Central Committee to appoint Deputy Todd Liston for Sheriff of Crawford County. (See letter 307)

Alyce Mullins made a motion to accept the recommendation and appoint Deputy Todd Liston as Sheriff of Crawford County. Mike Green seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (See Appointment 308-310)

Norma Carder stated that Ron Legg and Jo Drennen were still serving as representatives to Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission Board even though they were no longer associated with the County Board.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to accept a **Resolution** to authorize funds in the amount of \$6,389.00 to the Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission. Debbie Dix seconded. Motion carried upon roll. All members with the exception of Ron Veenstra abstaining voted "aye". (Resolution see 311)

Larry Whitcomb's name was submitted to the board for re-appointment to the position of Robinson Township Fire Protection District Trustee. (Appointment see 312)

John Gerald Russell, Jr. name was submitted for re-appointment as Trustee to the LaMotte Township Fire Protection District. (Appointment see 313-314)

Robert Stephens's name was submitted to the board for re-appointment as Trustee to the Eaton Water District. (Appointment see 315)

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS WERE GIVEN

Alyce Mullins made a motion to renew the annual contract with Cobra Compliance (Intuit) in the amount of \$750. Tom Titsworth seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (See renewal 316)

Tom Titsworth made a motion to move Ron Veenstra to the Building & Grounds committee and Bob Tuttle on the County Health Board. Debbie Dix seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (See committee list 317)

Jodi Inboden informed the Board that she is looking at alternative health insurance.

Joe Bliss read a thank you note to the Board from the Mildred Bliss family.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to call upon the Clerk of the Board to issue mileage and per diem to all members present. Robert Newbold seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Debbie Dix made a motion to adjourn. Bob Tuttle seconded. Motion carried unanimously with an "aye" vote.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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PATRICIA A LYCAN  
Clerk of the Crawford County Board