The Crawford County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Crawford County Administration Building in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin on August 21, 2018.

The Board was called to order by Chairman Tom Cornford. Roll was called with all members present except for Supervisors Jerrett, Olson and Orr. Chairman Cornford led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Cornford reminded supervisors that volunteers are desperately needed to work at the Crawford County Fair. The meeting was verified as being properly posted.

Motion by Kelley, second by Steiner to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Cornford announced that he is asking for approval to appoint Mary Kuhn to the Mississippi Valley Health Services Board (Lakeview).

Motion by Dull, second by Krachey to approve the appointment. Motion carried unanimously.

Julie Cipra, 911 Coordinator, came before the Board and introduced Daren Wendel who is the Manager of Medical Communications for Gundersen Health System to give a presentation on the Emergency Medical Dispatch system. The system provides pre-arrival directions on emergency procedures to perform before assistance arrives. By 2022, the State is requiring all 911 centers must provide some type of Emergency Medical Dispatch instructions. The system is also able to tell the level of an emergency. A recording was shared of a call where CPR was performed. There is no cost at this time.

Julie Cipra stated this service is critical for our County considering the long distance to get to an emergency. This is also a huge benefit for the dispatch center since there is only one dispatcher working.

RESOLUTION NO. 8-2018
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH (EMD) AGREEMENT WITH GUNDERSEN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee has recommended that it would be beneficial to provide pre-arrival Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) instruction services to callers requesting emergency services through the Crawford County 911 system; and,
WHEREAS, the Gundersen Lutheran Administrative Services, Inc., d/b/a/ Gundersen Medical Communication Center, (Gundersen), is a licensed provider of Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) and will provide same in a cost effective manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crawford County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize entering into the “Agreement for Emergency Medical Dispatch Between Crawford County and Gundersen Emergency Medical Services Communication Center” (copy attached hereto as Exhibit “A”).

Dated this 21st day of August, 2018.

Kersten Rocksvold, Chairman
Brad Steiner
Greg Russell
Donald Stirling
Carl Orr

Passed and approved this 21st day of August, 2018.

Tom Cornford
County Board Chairman

ATTEST:
Janet L. Geisler
County Clerk

Motion by Stirling, second by Rocksvold to adopt the resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Deanne Lutz came before the Board and explained that the Treasurer’s Office currently has no policy in place pertaining to fees. This matter was brought to the Delinquent Tax Committee and they came up with the best option for fees for Crawford County. This resolution supports the Treasurer’s Office and how they implement fees during foreclosures.

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2018

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FEES IN PROCEEDINGS IN REM TO FORECLOSURE TAX LIENS
WHEREAS, the Delinquent Tax Committee has considered and approved the following fees and guidelines necessary to cover the costs incurred by the County pursuant to Proceedings In Rem to Foreclose Tax Liens:

A. The title work fee will be charged to each delinquent property as soon as the title work is ordered.

B. Once the foreclosure action is filed there will be an additional $200.00 fee charged to each delinquent property to cover the estimated additional costs (including legal fees) of the foreclosure process.

C. At such time as the foreclosure action is filed with the Court, it will be mandatory that all delinquent and current year taxes plus any interest, fees and penalty be paid in full in order for the land owner to redeem their property.

D. After the redemption time period is up, the County will charge 10% redemption fee on the “net tax” for each property that was not redeemed during the redemption period to cover the estimated additional costs as may be incurred in proceeding with appraisal and sale of such property.

E. Once the Default Judgment is entered, the County will not allow the land owner to redeem the property without specific approval of the Delinquent Tax Committee. It will be advertised and sold either at public auction or sealed bids.

F. If a land owner files a “Homestead Credit” claim, the County will charge an additional fee of 2% of the sale price as an estimated processing fee together with special assessments, interest, penalty and any other fees associated with said property.

G. Interest and penalty will no longer be charged to the properties after the Default Judgment is entered in favor of Crawford County; and,

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute Chapter 59 and Chapter 75 – Land Sold for Taxes, authorize the County to collect for all costs incurred in the acquisition and sale of property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crawford County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize and approve the fees and guidelines as set forth herein as well as any and all other fees necessary to cover costs incurred by the County in the acquisition and sale of property as are authorized under Chapter 75 Wis. Stats.
Dated this 21st day of August, 2018.

Derek Flansburgh, Chairman
Kersten Rocksvold
Henry Esser

Passed and approved this 21st day of August, 2018.

Tom Cornford
County Board Chairman

ATTEST:
Janet L. Geisler
County Clerk

Motion by Flansburgh, second by Esser to adopt the resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Peterson, Corporation Counsel, addressed the Board regarding the class action lawsuit regarding PILT payments. There is no cost to the County to participate in the lawsuit. It is not known if the County will receive any type of monetary compensation, but it is worth pursuing. This matter was presented to the Finance Committee and the committee approved moving forward.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2018

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN CLASS ACTION PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES ACT (PILT) LITIGATION

WHEREAS, the County has been given notice of Kane County, Utah v. United States a class action lawsuit in the United States Court of Federal Claims seeking payment by the Federal Government of amounts due to local units of government for underpayment under 31 U.S.C Section 6902 of the PILT Act in fiscal years 2015, 2016 and/or 2017 and inviting Crawford County to join the action as a class action plaintiff; and,

WHEREAS, the terms of such joinder provide that any costs including attorney’s fees would be paid from the gross proceeds of any recovery without any monetary obligations on the part of the County; and,

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has considered this notice of the class action and determined that it is in the best interest of the County to participate in the litigation by executing and forwarding the provided “Class Action Opt-In Notice Form” (attached as Exhibit “A”).
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crawford County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize participation in the above litigation and further authorizes and directs Janet L. Geisler, County Clerk, to execute and forward the “Class Action Opt-In Notice Form” on behalf of the County.

Dated this 21st day of August, 2018.

Duane Rogers, Chairman               Greg Russell
Gerald Krachey                        Wayne Jerrett
Geri Kozelka

Passed and approved this 21st day of August, 2018.

Tom Cornford
County Board Chairman

ATTEST:
Janet L. Geisler
County Clerk

Motion by Krachey, second by Kelley to adopt the resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Under public comment on the agenda, Loren Oldenburg who is running for the 96th Assembly District, addressed the Board to give his qualifications in running for the position.

Supervisor Rocksvold urged the County to continue their support of the Hidden Valleys magazine.

There being no further business to come before the Board there was a motion by Krachey, second by Kelley to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
(ss)
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

I, Janet L. Geisler, Clerk of County of Crawford, State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Journal of Proceedings of the Crawford County Board of Supervisors at the Regular Session on August 21, 2018.

Janet L. Geisler, Crawford County Clerk