

# Ottawa County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

## September 18, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in Suite 201 at the Ottawa County Courthouse.

**Those present were:**

First District Commissioner Dawn Wolf, by phone	JoDee Copple, County Treasurer
Second District Commissioner Scott Mortimer by phone	Heather Maddox, County Clerk
Third District Commissioner D. D. Malmberg	Michelle Campbell, Human Resources
Scot Loyd, Loyd Group	

Commissioner Malmberg called the meeting to order at 8:00 am and Scot Loyd led the group in opening prayer, followed by the flag salute.

Karl Leech came into the meeting.

Commission will approve September 11<sup>th</sup> minutes next week.

Malmberg opened the hearing to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

Malmberg asked if anyone had any comments or concerns about the RNR exceeding. Seeing none Maddox took roll call for County and Fire Departments. Malmberg yes, Wolf yes, Mortimer yes. Malmberg moved to adopt Resolution 23-15 concerning Exceeding the RNR rate. Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Malmberg moved to close the RNR hearing, Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Malmberg opened the budget hearing. Malmberg asked if there were any questions or comments. Seeing none Malmberg moved to approve the 2024 County and Fire department budgets. Mortimer seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Malmberg moved to close the budget hearing. Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Scot Loyd left the meeting.

Commissioner Mortimer left the meeting.

Malmberg moved to recess the meeting for 5 minutes. Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**Claims for Approval: Totaling \$290,642.35**

County General	\$53,128.68
ARPA	\$170,289.65
Road & Bridge	\$24,856.31
County Health	\$1,416.18
Ottawa Co 911	\$329.40
Noxious Weed	\$1,498.17
Historical	\$51.11
FD #3 Delphos	\$125.01
Law Enforcement Center	\$3,262.75
Hospital Debt Service	\$5,875.00
Aging	\$56.20
Benning TWP Road	\$23,363.27
Technology Fund/Clerk	\$182.77
FD#1 O&L General	\$109.18
FD#2 MPLS General	\$6,098.67

Commissioners asked Sheriff Thornton to come into the meeting to discuss an invoice in question.

On a motion by Commissioner Malmberg, seconded by Commissioner Wolf, by unanimous vote the Board approved the claims as presented.

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**County Departments:**

**Sheriff**

Prisoner count Saline County 10, and Ottawa County 5. Total 15 inmates.

\*Due to an error in the notice that was sent to taxpayers regarding the hearing to exceed the revenue neutral rate, the Board of County Commissioners on October 9, 2023, rescinded resolution 23-15 that was passed during the September 18, 2023, meeting and authorized the exceeding of the revenue neutral rate. Ottawa County will not exceed the revenue neutral rate for fiscal year 2024. Exceeding the revenue neutral rate will be necessary in fiscal year 2025.

With no further business before the commission the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 on motion by Wolf and seconded by Malmberg. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADOPTED this 9th day of October 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

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Dawn Wolf, Vice-Chairman

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D.D. Malmberg, Member

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Scott Mortimer, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Heather Maddox, County Clerk