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The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with Commissioner James P Kay, Commissioner Kathy M Luthi, Commissioner Karen Brumbaugh, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

Commissioner Kay opened the meeting in the flag salute, and prayer.

Vouchers were approved.

Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk/Election Officer, visited with the board on the age of the existing voting machines and the cost to repair the ones that were broke. She gave the commissioners a proposal from a vendor to look at upgrading machines. The vendor will take the existing machines in for trade-in. It was decided to have the vendor come out and do a demonstration.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 8:29 a.m. for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator. They returned to regular session at 8:33 a.m. No decision was made.

Commissioner Luthi moved to accept the resignation of Leo Whitley as Grant Township Clerk, effective December 31, 2013. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, stopped in and gave the commissioners an update on what his office has been doing.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Jeff Bender, Foley Equipment, gave the board a proposal for two 140M2 Caterpillar motor graders. The two oldest machines will be replaced and turned in for trade-in. John gave the commissioners quotes for a trailer to haul the backhoe. This is a trailer to replace the one that was damaged in an accident. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to purchase the Neville Built dropdeck trailer for \$15,750. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion

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carried. John reported that the company doing the bridge inspections, came in and let him know that someone took something too heavy across a bridge on Quartz Road West of 90<sup>th</sup> Road. John closed the bridge until they can get it fixed.

The commissioners signed the agreement with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Chtd., for auditing services for the 2013 year.

The commissioners signed the agreement with Espy Services, to perform a risk-free telecom audit on the county's telephone bills.

Jody Parks, Ottawa County Health Center Administrator, visited with the commissioners on their board members. Two would like to retire, Richard Darg and Ralph Meyer, and Steve Carlson just needs to be re-appointed. Jody reported that Kent Boster, Bennington, would serve, to replace Richard. Commissioner Luthi moved to appoint Kent Boster to the hospital board effective January 1, 2014. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Luthi moved to re-appoint Steve Carlson for another term beginning January 1, 2014, for four years. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Sedgwick County 16, Harvey County 1, Saline County 3, Cloud County 2, and Ottawa County 1. Keith said that he is working on a grant for fingerprinting. Keith reported on the GIS mapping progress.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, met with the board and presented his draft of revising the telephone usage policy, and overtime pay and compensatory time with the board. Commissioner Luthi moved to adopt the changes to the Ottawa County Employee Handbook, in regards to Section 11, and Section 37, Overtime Pay and Compensatory Time. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to adopt the changes to the Ottawa County Employee Handbook, in regards to Section 48, Usage of County Telephones in County Vehicles. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. The security session at 10:32 a.m. for ten minutes for attorney/client matters. Those present were the commissioners and Jason. They returned to regular session at 10:42 a.m. No decision

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was made.

The minutes of December 9, 2013, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.