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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McGavran.

The official minutes of December 14, 2009, were approved and signed.

Added's and abatement's were approved.

Commissioner Kay moved to add the following policy to the Ottawa County Employee Handbook. Effective December 1, 2009, an employee must work 30 hours per week to be eligible for health insurance benefits. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

The commissioners signed the engagement letter with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Chtd., for auditing services for year ended December 31, 2009.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, brought up the maintenance agreement on the scales at the landfill from Salina Scales, for \$225. Commissioner McGavran signed the agreement. John brought up revised proposals for the 40 x 140 pole shed. Miltonvale Lumber, \$25,120.90; North Central Steel Co., \$29,950; and Ottawa County Lumber, \$25,681.04. Commissioner Kay moved to accept the proposal from Ottawa County Lumber for the pole shed for \$25,681.04. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. John reported on an employee backing into a county vehicle at a job site last week.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, brought up the revised quote from Sellers Equipment without the snow blade on the Kubota RTV, which makes the quote \$16,959. Commissioner Luthi moved to accept the quote from Sellers Equipment for a 2010 Kubota RTV 1100 for \$16,959. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Luthi moved effective January 1, 2010, to change mileage for privately owned automobile's to .50 cents per mile. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Jim McClain, Bennington EMS, gave the commissioners an update on the investigation on the Bennington Ambulance service, and the meeting in Topeka. Jim pointed out that these are unofficial notes, as they are still waiting for the official letter from Topeka. Jim indicated that the officials in Topeka are willing to help in anyway they can. Truette McQueen, Zoning Administrator, gave the commissioners a signature page for the zoning manual, acknowledging the commissioners adopted the new zoning regulations on November 2, 2009. The commissioners signed the document.

With no further business before the board the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.