

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

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

The official minutes of July 25, 2011, were approved and signed.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, came in and discussed a burn ban with the board. Marie will do a resolution and bring back up. Commissioner McGavran moved to accept Resolution 11-20, putting a burn ban on. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner McGavran rescinded the previous motion for a burn ban as after Marie researched the fire index, it is in the low. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, met with the commissioners. The group discussed road bonds. Steve Shogren, George K Baum & Company, and Jason Rourke, RMA Engineering, LLC, were present also. Jason gave the board the history of the 10.4 mile project inspection. The bid was taken last week and was awarded to the only bidder of APAC, for \$1,189,860. Steve went over George K Baum history. Steve said that the preliminary figure he was given for the bonds was \$900,000. After the estimate from Jason was gone over, it was decided that the \$900,000 was probably going to have to be more. Steve went over the time frames. It was decided to proceed with the first step and that is to give notice to the public. Steve will prepare the paperwork and come back next week. Jason will contact APAC and see where things stand with them. John reported on what crews were doing. John gave the commissioners a proposal he would like for raises for seven employees. Commissioner Luthi moved to accept the raise proposal from John, effective July 25, 2011. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Luthi rescinded the prior motion to accept the raise proposal from John. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried. The raises were already approved last year to use in 2011 as the department head sees fit.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Sedgwick County 27, Ottawa County 1, and Cloud County 2. Keith reported on wind damage last week.

Sandy Cline, Health/Aging Department, talked to the commissioners about preparedness

grant money that she has left over and she needs a server. She has two quotes from Dell, and HP. Sandy would like to go with Dell. The commissioners approved. She would also like to replace two computer desktops, from Dell. The commissioners approved. Commissioner Luthi moved to go into executive session at 10:33 a.m. for fifteen minutes for confidential data trade secrets. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Sandy. They returned to regular session at 10:48 a.m. The commissioners instructed Sandy to present an agenda to meet with the Ottawa County Hospital Board and administrator, and set a meeting time. Commissioner McGavran moved to go into executive session at 10:46 a.m. for twenty minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Sandy. They returned to regular session at 11:06 a.m. No decision was made.

Betty Mick, County Attorney, came in and the commissioners went over the road contract with RMA Engineering. Betty was fine with it. Betty is still researching several other questions.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.