Minutes of Proceeding Ottawa County Board of Commissioners January 30, 2017 Office of the Ottawa County Clerk 8:00 a.m. Regular Session

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

Commissioner Kay opened the meeting in prayer, then led the group in the flag salute.

The commissioners examined and confirmed the annual township reports of Sheridan, Henry, Concord, Lincoln, and Stanton Townships.

Vouchers and payroll were approved.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 8:02 a.m. for ten minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the employee. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners, and Mary Arganbright, County Clerk. They returned to regular session at 8:12 a.m. No decision was made.

Kevin Urban, Saline County Planning & Environmental Services, gave a 4th quarter and year-end update to the commissioners on his visits to sites in Ottawa County. Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, joined the group. They discussed the septic issue at the county shop.

Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Shannon said they are running an advertisement for more help. Shannon said he has been checking on tree mulchers. The group discussed the estimate from L & M Contractors, on the bridge west of Delphos. It was decided to meet with the County Attorney later to discuss it.

Brian Kindall, Fair Board, went over specifications to put out to bid on the roof and two walls on the 4-H building at the fairgrounds. There were a couple of changes that the commissioners will see the county attorney gets to change on the document and get it published.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, brought in information from the North Central Regional Planning Commission he attended.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 40, Sedgwick County 6, and Ottawa County 5. Keith reported that Officer Zeigler has been certified for K-9 patrol.

After reviewing the last population 2015 census, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to keep the commissioner districts as they are at this time. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

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Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, and Jason Parks, County Attorney, met with the commissioners and discussed the estimate from L & M Contractors, on the bridge west of Delphos. Commissioner Luthi moved to go into executive session for attorney/client privilege at 10:50 a.m. for ten minutes. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners, and Jason. They returned to regular session at 11:00 a.m. No decision was made.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.