

Ottawa County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

November 8, 2021

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with First District Commissioner Dawn Wolf, Second District Commissioner Scott Mortimer, Third District Commissioner D. D. Malmberg all present.

Commissioner Wolf called the meeting to order at 8:00 am with opening flag salute.

Minutes from November 1, 2021 were reviewed. Commissioner Mortimer motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Those present were Pastor Cynthia Smart, JoDee Copple, Katrina Pollet, Heather Maddox, Vicki Jensen

Pastor Cynthia Smart a new pastor at Bennington United came to pray with the Commissioners before the meeting started.

Vicki Jensen, Ottawa County Clerk / Election Officer, presented Provisional Ballots from the November 2, 2021 Election. Fifteen Provisional ballots were reviewed, 7 ballots were declined, 8 ballots were accepted following Kansas State guide lines. After review, Commissioner Malmberg moved to declare the November 2, 2021 General City/School Election valid. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Keith Coleman, Facilities Management gave updates on heating and air systems, and routine business doing work around the Corrections Facility and at Road and Bridge department.

Russ Thornton gave a prisoner count of Ottawa County 3, Saline County 26, Sedgwick County 9, making a total prisoner count for 38. Sheriff Russ reported they had a new employee in corrections and they were continuing to look at applications for the Deputy position.

Richard Buck, County Attorney, brought in front of the Commissioners the Cost Benefit Analysis Report from the state about the Native Angus Cattle Enterprises, LLC.

Greg Dockins, Road & Bridge Administrator, gave the Commissioners contracts for bridge updates. Greg also updated the Commissioners about the Jay Wagner River erosion on 180th rd. Greg reported that the department is down 3 guys in general and 1 grader operator.

Amanda Loughridge, Public Transportation Manager, asked the Commissioners to approve the 2022 transportation budget for a grant application for the transportation department.

Katrina Pollet, Human Resources, asked to go into Executive Session to discuss a Non-Elected Employee Commissioner Mortimer motioned to go into executive session to discuss the employee. Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Those present were commissioners, and Katrina Pollet. The group returned to regular session at 9:02 a.m.

With no further business before the board Commissioner Mortimer moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

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ADOPTED this 1st day of November 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

Dawn Wolf, Chairman

D.D. Malmberg, Member

Scott Mortimer, Member

ATTEST:

Vicki L. Jensen, County Clerk