

## Ottawa County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

June 7, 2022

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 and County Clerk, Heather Maddox all present.

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

Those present were Shelia Reed, Scot Loyd, and Carlotta Sunderland.

Heather asked commissioners if they want Scot Loyd or Lindberg, Vogal, and Peirce to build the county budget. Scot Loyd said that in the contract that the county has with him, he will be the one putting the county budgets together. Scot talked with commissioners about the budget process we will go over today.

Richard Buck, County Attorney came into the meeting and presented his budget to the commissioners. Keith Coleman and Marie Ballou came into the meeting. Richard left the meeting.

Keith Coleman, Facility Manager gave the commissioners a resolution on fund 032, building fund. Keith left the meeting.

Marie Ballou gave the commissioners the Emergency Management, Courthouse, emergency preparedness 911 budgets.

Marie left the meeting

Joe Serrano, attorney came into the meeting at: 9:02 with Attorney Joe Lasala

Joe presented to the commissioners an ordinance for the Lava business. Joe talked with commissioners about how the lease and the ordinance will work together. The county will take a lease hold interest. The amount of the lease will equal the amount of the bond. The issuer will make payments on the bonds. The bond trustee will pay the lease payments. The bond purchase agreement that says the county will sell the bonds to the developer. The payment in lieu of tax agreement. The property will be exempt from taxes. The property will be off the tax roll in the year the bonds were bought. Joe discussed the abatements 100 at 3 years 4-10 75% the blended rate is at 82%.

Malmberg asked joe is Richard gave joe a resolution 13-90. His thought is that this is more of a constitutional abatement, and this is more of a statutory abatement. This is not the same, and the law has changed since 1990. Joe said as an adviser of the county that this wouldn't be effective. Joe said the policy doesn't apply to this project. Joe said that they would need to approve the ordinance. And he went over the ordinance with the commissioners. Joe Serrano and Joe Lasala left the meeting

Russ Thornton came into the meeting.

Commissioner Wolf motioned to accept the ordinance 22-01, issuing the bonds authorizing execution of documents. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried 2-1 Malmberg Nay, Mortimer Yea, Wolf Yea.

Russ Thornton, County Sheriff gave a prisoner count of Ottawa County 8, Saline County 17, Sedgwick County 23. Sheriff Thornton presented his budgets to the commissioners.

Keith Coleman, Undersheriff Tyler VanCoevern, and Truett McQueen came into the meeting.

Commissioner Malmberg motioned to take a 3-minute break.

Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Scot Loyd asked questions about each budget. Thornton discussed with commissioners about raises to stay competitive with surrounding employers.

Sheriff Thornton and Undersheriff VanCoevern left the meeting, and Sara Hodges came into the meeting.

Truett McQueen, County Appraiser presented his budget to the commissioners and left the meeting.

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Sara Hodges, Ottawa County Health Department Administrator came into the meeting and presented her budgets for Aging and Ottawa County Health Department.

Marilyn Heck and Greg Dockins came into the meeting.

Sara talked about raises and new vehicles that would need to be bought in 2023.

Sara left the meeting.

Marilyn Heck, Ottawa County Register of Deeds presented her budget to the commissioners.

Marilyn Left the meeting, and Kenny Baccus came into the meeting.

Greg Dockins, Road & Bridge Administrator, presented his Solid Waste, Road & Bridge, and Special Bridge. Greg discussed rock prices. Scot Loyd will get with Greg to discuss further.

Commissioner Wolf asked if the Clerk's office had ever gotten the resolution on new prices for the landfill in the newspaper. Heather wasn't sure and will call the Newspaper and see what she can find out.

Commissioners called Kim Winsett, IT to present the computer fund budget, Kim explained upcoming expenses that will impact the 2023 budget for the servers in the courthouse. After the commissioners got off the phone with Kim they discussed the budget further and have more questions for Kim.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator presented his budget to the commissioners and left the meeting

Heather Maddox, Ottawa County Clerk presented the Clerk and Election budgets to the commissioners, she explained that with a new employee, depending on their experience she may need to budget more for salaries.

Heather also talked with commissioners about the election equipment being 9 years old and that it was up for re-certification next year. Scot Loyd told Heather that she should look into Federal Funding for her election equipment.

\*\*\*\*\*Heather asked Commissioner Wolf to approve her to be able to pay the County Credit cards. Commissioner Wolf signed it.

Minutes from May 31, 2022 were reviewed, but not approved.

Heather left the meeting.

\*\*\*\*\*with OCCK came into the meeting and discussed what they have been doing and what they expect their budgets to be for 2023.

\*\*\*\*\*with OCCK left the meeting

Brandon Baugh, Tescott Fire Chief and Corey Connelly came to the Commissioners meeting to discuss the Fire Department budget and left the meeting.

Kim Webb with the Culver Fire Department was in contact with the clerk's office and have decided to keep the budget the same as last year. Kim Webb talked with Heather Maddox about needing 12 new radios, and the department is also in need of new air packs for the department.

The commissioners talked about their budget.

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With no further business before the board Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ moved to adjourn the meeting at \_\_\_\_\_. Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

ADOPTED this 13th day of June 2022.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

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Dawn Wolf, Member

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D.D. Malmberg, Chairman

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Scott Mortimer, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

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Heather Maddox, County Clerk