

Ottawa County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

August 19, 2024

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in Suite 201 at the Ottawa County Courthouse.

Those present were:

First District Commissioner Dawn Wolf

Second District Commissioner Scott Mortimer

Third District Commissioner D. D. Malmberg

Todd Reid

Ralph Shank

Heather Maddox, County Clerk

Stephanie Watkins, Deputy Clerk

JoDee Copple, Treasurer

Commissioner Wolf called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and led the group in opening prayer, followed by the flag salute.

On a motion by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Malmberg, by unanimous vote the Board approved the claims as presented.

Claims for Approval: Totaling \$32,158.51

County General	\$11,211.93
Road & Bridge	\$6,548.44
Noxious Weed	\$7,810.77
Aging	\$1,859.05
County Health	\$1,487.22
Clerk Tech/Fund	\$193.62
Historical	\$43.97
Appraiser	\$2,645.89
Ottawa County 911 Fund	\$330.32
Election	\$27.30

County Departments:

Clerk

Maddox and the commissioners Canvassed the August 2024 Primary election. The election was a 36 percent turnout. The Commission approved the canvassing of votes.

Saline County Community Corrections

Michelle Callum with Saline County Community Corrections came into the meeting to talk to the commissioners about bringing pre-trial services back to Ottawa County. She will have to present next year before the budget is complete.

Public Works

Chris Smith, Road & Bridge Supervisor and Joe Mullen came into the meeting to speak to the commission about a solid waste meeting and speed limit resolution. Commissioners set a meeting time on September 9th, 2024 at 6:00 P.M for a solid waste meeting in the basement meeting room. Township meeting will be September 24, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.

On a motion by Commissioner Wolf seconded by Commissioner Mortimer, by unanimous vote the Board approved a 10-minute executive session to discuss non-elected including Wolf, Mortimer, Malmberg, Smith and Mullen to return at 9:59 A.M.

Emergency Management

Marie Ballou came into the meeting to have the commissioners sign the EMPG Grant.

Health Department

On a motion by Commissioner Wolf seconded by Commissioner Mortimer, by unanimous vote the board approved a 5-minute executive session to discuss non-elected including Wolf, Mortimer, Malmberg, Campbell, and Hodges to return at 10:17A.M.

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The Health Department will be closed sometime in the afternoon of Friday 23rd for the install of a generator.

Twin Valley

Aaron Wertenberger with Twin Valley came into the meeting and updated the Commissioners about services around the County, and discussed the BEAD program beginning in September. Aaron also talked about ACP which is a low income opportunity for internet customers through Twin Valley.

Sheriff

Prisoner count Ottawa County 4.

On a motion by Commissioner Malmberg, seconded by Commissioner Mortimer, by unanimous vote the Board approved the August 12th, 2024 minutes as presented.

Upcoming Meetings Commission will attend:

North Central Kansas Commissioners Meeting will be August 28th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

The Museum Board meeting will be August 20th 2024 at 5:00 P.M.

With no further business before the commission the meeting was adjourned at 10:51 A.M. on motion by Wolf and seconded by Mortimer. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADOPTED this 26th day of August 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

Dawn Wolf, Chairman

D.D. Malmberg, Member

Scott Mortimer, Member

ATTEST:

Heather Maddox, County Clerk