

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
February 2, 2015

Office of the Ottawa County Clerk
8:00 a.m.
Regular Session

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

Commissioner Brumbaugh opened the meeting with prayer and the flag salute.

An abatement was approved.

The annual township report of Durham, Ottawa, Fountain, and Logan were examined and confirmed by the board.

Payroll was approved.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, gave the board an update on what he has been doing, and upcoming meetings.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, and Jeff Bender, Foley Equipment, came in and asked the board if they had any questions on the last two motor grader purchases. He also apologized for the maintenance issue that came up after agreements had been signed. The commissioners opened washed chip proposals. Bayer Construction Co., 3/8" x 3/16", \$14.40/ton; and APAC-Kansas Shears Division, 1/2", \$25.80/ton. Apac would not be able to start until the month of July. Commissioner Kay moved to accept the proposal from Bayer Construction Co., for \$14.40/ton, subject to audit. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. John gave the board a solid waste exemption from Dennis Rhoden. Commissioner Luthi moved to approve the solid waste exemption from Dennis Rhoden at 58 N 250th Road, Niles. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. John reported on what crews were doing.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, brought up the Mitigation Plan. It is a regional plan. A new resolution will be needed to accept the plan. Marie will purchase flash drives to load the plan that goes out to the cities and school districts. Commissioner Luthi moved to adopt Resolution 15-02, pertaining to the adoption of the North-Central (Region F) Multi-Hazard, Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. Marie said that she is putting together a foreign animal disease meeting, which Homeland Security will fund. It will be March 31, 2015. Marie reported that fourth quarter 2014 FEMA reimbursements have been received. Marie updated the board on a spill on the highway that occurred last Friday.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 24, and Ottawa County 3. Keith said that one of the patrol cars is fixed from the hail damage.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, met with the board to finalize the new vehicle purchase. Jack Stenfors, Bennett Buick/GMC was present. Truette reported that he had driven the vehicles, and the one that would work best for his department would be the 2013 Nissan Rogue, with 24,000 miles, for \$16,995, from Bennett Buick/GMC. Commissioner Luthi moved to give Truette the authority to purchase the 2013 Nissan Rogue, from Bennett Buick/GMC, for \$16,995. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

At noon, the commissioners held the Annual Solid Waste Meeting. Those present were Virginia Hoover, Chairman, Dave Hardesty, Landfill Operator, Judy Swagerty, Bennington, John Copple, Highway Administrator, and Jo Mesecher, Road & Bridge secretary. Virginia called the meeting to order. Commissioner Kay went over the financial report. Commissioner Brumbaugh proposed to raise residential fees from \$88.20/year to \$94.20/year or .50 per month, and other/businesses \$1.00/per month. The commissioners explained that if fees were not increased, that the cash would eventually get used up. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to raise the fees as stated above. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. The commissioners reported that the bridge going to the landfill is needing to be replaced. Dave said that tonnage is staying about the same. The minimum fee for dumping was discussed. The minimum has not been raised for many years. Commissioner Luthi moved to raise the minimum from \$7.50 to \$10, effective March 1, 2015. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Kay moved to raise the fee for dumping construction/demolition debris at the landfill to \$32, effective March 1, 2015. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. The Spring clean-up dates were set to May 4-9, 2015, and Fall clean-up October 5-10, 2015. Judy discussed E-Waste dumping, and it will be May 2, 2015, at Salina South High School. The tire clean-up will be May 4-9, 2015. Commissioner Kay discussed the collection of solid waste fees. The commissioners would like to see this year Bennington and Delphos being added to the tax roll, and City of Minneapolis next year. All the others are already being collected on the tax roll. The decision was tabled until further discussion is held. Election of officers, Judy moved to continue with the same slate of officers. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Judy moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:58 p.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

Virginia Hoover, Mayor of City of Minneapolis, discussed Rock City advertising signs with the board. She described the sign. Virginia said this has been in the works for a couple of years. Rock City is putting in \$1,000, and Virginia said that the City of Minneapolis is putting funds toward the project, and there has been a couple anonymous donations. Commissioner Luthi stated she would like to see more details on the project. Virginia will come back next week.

The minutes of February 2, 2015, were approved and signed.

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With no further business before the board, Commissioner Luthi moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:20 p.m.
Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.