

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
December 30, 2020

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

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with First District Commissioner Dawn Wolf, Second District Commissioner James P. Kay, Third District Commissioner Karen S. Brumbaugh, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

Commissioner Wolf opened the meeting in prayer and then led the group in the flag salute.

Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk, gave the board the minutes from December 21, 2020. Commissioner Kay moved to approve the December 21, 2020, minutes. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Mary gave the commissioners vouchers, payroll, and abatements to review. She also gave them a job description for a new correction to sign. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to approve the Solid Waste Exemption from Colton Fuller, at 2233 Sunset Rd, Miltonvale. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Kay moved to approve the Solid Waste Exemption from Scott Olsen, on Quail Rd. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

D. D. Malmberg, 3rd District Commissioner Elect arrived at 8:10 a.m.

Brian Kindall, Fair Board, gave the commissioners a list of all the grants, donations, and interest received for the restroom upgrade project at the fairgrounds. Brian said that they will be short \$7,239.04. Commissioner Kay said that it should just come out of County General fund. Commissioner Wolf said that she has talked to the County Attorney, and he thought that if there was anyway it could relate back to economic development, it might be able to be paid through SPARK funding. Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, and Richard Buck, County Attorney joined the group. Marie said that there was approximately \$38,000 left in SPARK funding. Marie said that there cannot be any new projects, etc., approved if they have not already been submitted. Commissioner Kay moved to give the fair board \$7,239.04 from the County General fund for the completion of the restroom project. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Greg Dockins, Road & Bridge Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Greg gave the commissioners the sealed bids from the banks for the purchase of a 2021 Caterpillar Excavator at a cost of \$120,467.14. Bennington State Bank, 2.13% for 5-years, \$120,467.14; and Bank of Tescott, 2.95% for 5-years, \$120,067.14. Note-Bank of Tescott incorrect amount for financing in letter. Commissioner Kay moved to accept the bid from the Bennington State Bank, for 2.13%, for 5-years for \$120,647.14 for a 2021 Caterpillar Excavator. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Kay gave the other commissioners documentation and said that he has been working with Greg on policies that need to be updated for Road & Bridge. Commissioner Kay said that it needs to be looked at. Garry Stover was an observer. Garry said that he was off today and wanted to stop in and see what is going on with 135th Road. Greg reported on what has been done, what is going on currently and what is planned. Commissioner Brumbaugh read an email from David Pounds, on 135th Road.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 30, Sedgwick County 7, and Ottawa County 3. Keith said that the roof is leaking at the jail and he is looking at what needs to be done and will be contacting roofing companies for estimates.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, brought up her new fleet estimates for a 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe from Don Hattan for \$36,500; Landmark Dodge 2021 1500 SSV Crew Cab 4 x 4 for \$30,612; and Landmark Dodge for a 2021 Durango Pursuit Vehicle AWD, for \$31,770. Marie said that the Durango probably would not work for hauling. She reported on a 2021 Ford Expedition from Long McArthur, for approximately \$38,000. She said that a SUV type vehicle would work better for her. Commissioner Kay brought up paying Marie Ballou, Sara Hodges, and Trisha Smith more additional wages for handling SPARK matters. Two thousand dollars was already added on their December pay for Hazardous Duty Pay, and that was nothing compared to what other counties paid, Commissioner Kay said. Commissioner Wolf and Commissioner Brumbaugh said that the decision was decided last week, and they were sticking with that.

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Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to raise County Attorney, Richard Buck, salary to \$70,000 a year from \$66,880, effective December 25, 2020 (January Payroll). Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried, Commissioner Wolf and Commissioner Brumbaugh voting aye and Commissioner Kay voting nay. Motion carried, 2-1.

Commissioner Kay moved to raise the County Treasurer, JoDee Copple, to \$40,000 a year from \$36,790, effective December 25, 2020 (January Payroll). Motion died for a lack of a second.

Commissioner Kay moved to raise all employees, effective December 25, 2020 (January Payroll), .50 cents an hour. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Kay brought up again paying a membership to National Association of Counties (NACO). He explained the benefits of it. Commissioner Wolf thought that the new board should decide that.

Commissioner Kay brought up HR Partners and whether or not the commissioners wanted to go with them, as they need to give HR Partners an answer. Commissioner Brumbaugh said that she thought the new board should decide that.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to adjourn at 10:18 a.m. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.