

Minutes of Proceeding  
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners  
July 28, 2014

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 Kay opened the meeting in the flag salute, and said prayer.

Vouchers and payroll were approved.

The commissioners signed the Tri-Rivers Local Environmental Grant Cooperative Agreement between Saline County Health Department and Ottawa County.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, gave the commissioners an overview of the housing assessment that was done.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, and Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, talked to the commissioners about a road in Niles on Ascot Road, that Truette has received a building permit on. Truette said that years ago it was talked about vacating a portion of that road as there is an existing building built on county right-of-way, and the new request for a building permit will require some of the right-of-way also. Truette was asking for the county to go ahead and start the process to vacate a portion of the road. Truette also discussed making all the right-of-ways on Arrowhead Road the same distance, and possibly vacating 251<sup>st</sup> Road south of Arrowhead Road. It was decided to meet with citizens in Niles and inform them of what was planned and Truette will get notices sent. John reported on what crews were doing. John said that he would like to put a little tool shed in Delphos to keep extra signs, etc. in. John said that they would be having the meeting with the motor grader operators next Monday. John discussed the chain of command that will be used for the crews.

Doug McKinney, North Central Regional Planning Commission, and Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, discussed the City of Minneapolis Housing Project with the commissioners.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 26, and Ottawa County 1. The commissioners talked to the commissioners about the Law Enforcement Center fund, and what his plans are. Keith said that the jail should be paid for by some tax dollars for housing Ottawa County inmates, and the commissioners agreed. And in fact, the previous years should have been budgeted for Ottawa County inmate care. Putting the Law Enforcement Center fund under the Sheriff's office in County General was discussed for the future.

The minutes of July 28, 2014, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

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