

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 prayer.

At 8:30 a.m., the commissioners held a road closing hearing, petitioned by Tom L Barrett Sr., Solomon, Ks., described as follows: A tract of land in Section 9 and in Section 10, in Township 12 South, Range 1 West of the 6th P.M., Ottawa County, Kansas, commencing at a point on the South right-of-way line of Kansas Highway K-18 where said highway crosses the section line between said Sections 9 and 10; running thence West along said South right-of-way line of Kansas Highway K-18 a distance of 25 feet; thence South and parallel to the East Section line of said Section 9 to the North line of Dove Road, now vacated; thence East along the North line of Dove Road, now vacated a distance of 50 feet to a point 25 feet East of the West line of said Section 10; thence North and parallel to the West line of said Section 10 to a point on the South right-of-way line of Kansas Highway K-18; thence West along the South right-of-way line of Kansas Highway K-18 a distance of 25 feet to the point of commencement, the same being that portion of 270th Road, Ottawa County, Kansas lying South of the right-of-way of Kansas Highway K-18 and North of Dove Road, Ottawa County, Kansas. Those present were Tom L Barrett Sr. Tom went through the reasons he wanted the road closed. He said that if the road were closed he would put up a nice fence at both ends of the road, and let the emergency entities have a key, and whoever else has reason to be there. Commissioner Luthi moved to pass Resolution 13-15, vacating the above-mentioned road. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

Jerry Gotti, stopped in and requested a road to be closed in Culver Township, 110th Road between Section 35 and Section 36. The commissioners indicated that he could petition it or they could meet with landowners of the area first to see what the opinion is first. It was decided to meet September 30 and the commissioners will get letters out to the landowners.

Vouchers were approved.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board an agreement with Rural Water District #2, to replace water lines starting between 210th and 190th Road on Justice Road then South on 190th Road to Dove Road, then West to 180th Road, then South to county line. The commissioners approved the agreement. The group discussed bridges and John asked if the commissioners had made a decision on what other bridges they wanted to close and what ones they wanted to repair. No decision was made. It was decided to go ahead with the bridge repair on the Ada Road. John said that it would be after the first of the year before they could start o it.

Paul Burger, stopped in to file a petition to have a road closed. He will go file it in the County Clerk's office.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, let the commissioners know that the county was awarded the EMPG grant for \$10,225. She informed the board that a safety meeting was scheduled for September 23, 2013, for employees.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Sedgwick County 47, Ottawa County 2, and Saline County 4. Keith reported that a washing machine at the jail has broke. It was decided to purchase a new one out of the commissary fund.

Commissioner Luthi moved to go into executive session for fifteen minutes at 10:05 a.m., for confidential data relating to financial affairs. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Mary Arganbright, County Clerk. They returned to regular session at 10:20 a.m. No decision was made.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, came in and asked the commissioners if they objected to him moving his office down the hallway north to the law library. His office would be more accessible to the district court office, without going through the hallway on court days, and with the new security laws coming in 2014, it would help with compliance. The group went and looked at the space. The commissioners approved the move.

The minutes of September 9, 2013, were read and approved.

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
September 9, 2013

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

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.