

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
February 21, 2017

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 Karen S. Brumbaugh, Commissioner Kathy M. Luthi, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

Commissioner Kay opened the meeting in prayer, then led the group in the flag salute.

Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk, visited with the commissioners about a disk that failed last week on the AS/400 (computer mainframe). The AS/400 is 13 years old, and this makes the third major issue in a year that the AS/400 has had. The commissioners budgeted this year to move to a hosted environment for the machine, since there are only a few programs left on the machine. The commissioners approved Mary to contact Thomson Reuters to start the process.

Sara Hodges, Health/Aging Administrator, reported that KDOT has picked the Aging Department for an audit in March. Sara reported on programs the Health Department is involved in. Sara reported on Health Department grant funding for 2017.

Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Shannon said that he has checked into sandblasting graffiti off a bridge in the county. A couple of options were discussed that Shannon will follow-up on. Shannon reported on the Tescott Bridge, and he is working on preliminary items. Shannon asked about a .50 cent raise for an employee that passed his CDL. The raise will go into effect the start of the next pay period, March 25, 2017. Shannon went over job applications he has received.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, and Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, discussed safety meetings. Marie said to get the insurance discount, they are to be conducted quarterly. Shannon said that he would prefer to do them on Road & Bridge's schedule. Shannon asked if they could do videos at the shop on rainy days. Marie said that she could set them up on-line.

Prisoner count was reported Saline County 44, Sedgwick County 5, and Ottawa County 4.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, stopped in and picked up his 2017 Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan, and Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report that the commissioners signed.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to add a policy for Road & Bridge employees, that after they obtain certification for their CDL license, a .50 cent raise will be added to their pay in the next pay period following the month the license was obtained. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to adjourn at 10:40 a.m.

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Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.