

Minutes of Proceeding  
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners  
January 5, 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 Kay opened the meeting with prayer and the flag salute.

Abatement's were approved.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, stopped in and gave the commissioners an update on what he has been doing. The group discussed the direction of the Economic Development office for the year.

Todd Heitschmidt, Court Administrator, gave the commissioners an invitation to Judge Hellmer's retirement party.

Commissioner Luthi moved to pass Resolution 15-01, pertaining to determining that the financial statements and financial reports for the year ended 12/31/15 to be prepared in conformity with the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) are not relevant to the requirements of the cash basis and budget laws of this state. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board information on the Rifle Road Bridge design from RMA Engineering, and Husker Steel. It was decided to wait until March to see how much money would be coming back from the Federal Exchange to make the decision on when to start the replacement of the bridge. John reported on employee matters.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 25, and Ottawa County 1. Keith discussed the GIS mapping with the board. Keith said that he has someone interested in conducting AA meetings for the prisoners two times a week.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, brought in the agreement between the county and State for the Federal Exchange fund program for bridges.

Steve Carlson, came in and asked if the commissioners had any concerns that they would like to ask him in regards to the hospital. The commissioners said that at the time a piece of property was purchased the commissioners were asked about it, and didn't know anything about it. Steve explained the process in which the property was purchased. Steve said that the Administrator position at the hospital is not a hospital paid position, that she actually gets paid from Great Plains. Steve said that they will start sending down the minutes from the hospital board meetings to the commissioners. Steve also discussed a road with the commissioners.

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The minutes of January 5, 2015, were approved and signed.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.