

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with Commissioner Kathy M Luthi, Commissioner James P Kay, Commissioner Ray McGavran and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

Commissioner Luthi opened the meeting with the flag salute and prayer.

The official minutes of July 2, 2012, were approved and signed.

Mary Arganbright, County Clerk, gave the commissioners a written request for a grievance hearing from former Health department employee Jennifer Lister.

Vouchers were approved.

Sandy Cline, Health/Aging Department, gave the commissioners a contract from Lincare, for oxygen for a Hospice patient. The commissioners signed the contract, that had been approved by the county attorney.

Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning Commission, met with the commissioners to hold the final hearing on the bridge grant. No one was present. The commissioners signed all the required documents. The group discussed the possibility of applying for another project after the first of the year. Nothing was decided at this time.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, visited with the commissioners about last week's excavator quotes. Jeff Bender, Foley Equipment was present. John said that he can rent a crane for \$150/hour with an operator. The commissioners didn't feel they could jump in and purchase an excavator at this time. They would like to do some research on the bridges in the county first. John reported on what crews were doing. John discussed employee matters.

Todd Heitschmidt, Court Administrator, met with the board and discussed mileage reimbursement. Todd said that the State raised their mileage to .55 cents a mile for personal vehicle use. No decision was made. Todd discussed copying documents for the judicial side. He wanted to know if they could go with what the State statutes said

and that is 25 per copy. The commissioners said yes since it was set by statute.

Richard Buck, County Attorney, came in and the commissioners discussed handling a grievance hearing for them.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, said that the fire index range was in the low range. The commissioners agreed to lift the burn ban. Marie said that the county had 9 fires on the 4th of July. Seven of them were firework related. Marie said that no citations were issued, according to the sheriff's office. Marie said that she was going to have a booth at the fair, with EMS and the health department.

Prisoner count is Sedgwick County 24, Saline County 13, and Ottawa County 2.

Sandy Cline, Health/Aging Director, came in and discussed prior incidents happening in her office. The commissioners asked Sandy, starting in August, to have the senior centers give quarterly reports to Sandy, on what they are doing, how many people are attending, etc.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.