

Minutes of Proceeding  
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners  
August 6, 2018

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

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with First District Commissioner Kathy M. Luthi, Second District Commissioner James P. Kay, Third District Commissioner Karen S. Brumbaugh, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

Commissioner Brumbaugh opened the meeting in prayer and then led the group in the flag salute.

Dawn Wolf, District 1 County Commissioner Candidate, was an observer.

Mary Arganbright, County Clerk, gave the commissioners an Ottawa County Highway Right-Of-Way/Cross-Road/Utility Use Application from Northern Natural Gas Company for maintenance of pipelines in Section 17 and 18 of Center Township, Section 18 and 19 of Blaine Township, and Section 13 and 24 of Logan Township.

Commissioner Luthi moved to deny the solid waste exemptions for 2016 and 2017 for Ada Methodist Church. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, stopped in and reported to the commissioners that there was a Board of Tax Appeal hearing in Topeka last Friday on a taxpayer, and he thought it was another day, so he missed it. Truette went through the process and the steps that have transpired up to the appeal process.

Richard Buck, County Attorney, met with the commissioners and discussed the need for an individual to send out victim notices, which is required under law. His staff is stretched to the limit and he has someone that has volunteered their services for the position of Victim Advocate, on an as needed basis. It would require a phone extension to be set-up. After discussion, Commissioner Kay moved to give Richard permission to have a volunteer Victim Advocate for his office. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, wanted to revisit the Neighborhood Revitalization Program. Phil gave the commissioners a document and then went through it. The commissioners said they wanted to discuss it with other commissioners to see what other counties are doing.

Shannon Luthi, Road & Bridge Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Shannon reported on the camera that was put on 170<sup>th</sup> Road at the bridge that is on the fracture critical report. Shannon said that 21 vehicles went across the bridge in a week. One was a spray rig that was overweight, and 11 were of the same vehicle, that Shannon said the tag looked like it was out of county. The commissioners said they would like to go look at it. Commissioner Kay moved to approve the trade for 2-2018 Caterpillar Motor Graders Model #12M2ADW, for \$269,781.50, less trade in of \$135,000, for a difference of \$134,781.50 x 2= \$269,563. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Luthi moved to approve permit #40 for Northern Natural Gas Company for maintenance of pipelines in Section 17 and 18 of Center Township, Section 18 and 19 of Blaine Township, and Section 13 and 24 of Logan Township. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Jacob Hurla, 360 Energy Engineers, met with the commissioners and gave them an update on the energy audit they are in

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the process of doing. They are about 50% finished. Jacob explained the heating and cooling infrastructure with the board.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 45, and Ottawa County 4. Keith reported on repairs that he has done on the damaged holding cell, and a range hood.

Kevin Urban, Saline County Environmental Services, went over the second quarter statistics with the board. Kevin discussed a well of a citizen in Ottawa County that has been requested to be replacement. Kevin does not feel he can grant a waiver for the new placement of the new well for where the owner wants it as the footage is within areas that it can't be. He was asking for guidance from the commissioners. It was decided to go with Kevin's recommendation with the placement of the new well, and he will send a waiver to the Ottawa County Health Department.

With no other business before the board, Commissioner Luthi moved to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.