

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
September 11, 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 and then led the group in the flag salute. DeMerle Eckart, gave prayer also.

Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk, discussed wages with the commissioners. She pointed out several items, including starting wages, and what some employees are making and the length of time they have been employed.

Vouchers were approved.

Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Shannon discussed applicants with the commissioners. He would like to hire one more person. The commissioners asked if he had budget to do so. Shannon said that he didn't know. After reviewing his budget, it was decided that he did not have the budget this year.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 9:37 for ten minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy of the employee. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Jason Parks, County Attorney. They returned to regular session at 9:47 a.m. No decision was made.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 44, Sedgwick County 1, City of Minneapolis 1, and Ottawa County 9.

Katrina Nichols, stopped in and inquired about using the two picnic tables that the county owns. The commissioners placed a call to Brian Kindall, Fair Board, as they thought individuals went through him to rent them. Brian will work on a document to provide to individuals.

Doug McKinney, North Central Regional Planning Commission, met with the commissioners to discuss Nuisance Abatement. Others present were Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, and Truette McQueen, County Appraiser. Doug went through community concerns, proposed solutions, the general process, and financial investment with the group.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Luthi moved to adjourn at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.