

Minutes of Proceeding  
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners  
July 1, 2019

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

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

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

Chris Burlew, Minneapolis Housing Authority, Richard Buck, County Attorney, and Dakota Baccus, Intern with the County Attorney office, met with the commissioners and Chris visited with the board again on their decision for charging the Minneapolis Housing Authority landfill fees. The charge is set-up county-wide for all livable residences. Chris had a copy of Resolution No. 165, drawn up by the City of Minneapolis in 1967, which the commissioners said had nothing to do with the county. Chris said that he has been advised by HUD to not pay it. After discussion, the clerk will do a separate invoice billing for their properties/apartments.

Greg Dockins, Road & Bridge Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Greg gave the board a Highway Right-of-Way/Cross-Road/Utility Use Permit No. 47, for Northern Natural Gas Company to remove farm taps SE of Sec. 23-10S-4W on Nugget Road; NE of Sec. 26-9S-3W on Treaty Road; and NE, less a tract of Sec. 7-9S-2W on N 190<sup>th</sup> Road. Commissioner Wolf moved to sign Permit #47 for the above locations. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. The group discussed 135<sup>th</sup> Road plans and costs. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to have Greg send the letter, after corrections made, for Federal assistance under the provisions of section 216 of the Flood Control Act of 1950. Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Prisoner count was reported Saline County 26, and Ottawa County 7.

Richard Buck, County Attorney, brought in the Quit Claim Deed that has been fully executed, The Ottawa County Fair Association of Ottawa County, Kansas, an association duly recognized by the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners, by and through its secretary, Sheldon Daugherty and its president, Eric Klein, Quit Claims to Ottawa County, Kansas all of its interest in Real Estate, located at the Ottawa County Fair Grounds, in the County of Ottawa and the State of Kansas.

JoDee Cople, County Treasurer, gave the commissioners a list of 2016 outstanding checks that can be written-off. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to sign the check write-offs for 2016. Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. JoDee gave the board the May bank reconciliation. Commissioner Brumbaugh asked JoDee about an amount being off on the bank reconciliation. JoDee said that she has been using the former county treasurer's, bank reconciliation, which hasn't been working well for her. She is going to be working with the auditor to come up with a better way to reconcile. JoDee gave the board new signature cards from the banks to sign.

Matt Dixon, Custodian, gave the commissioners a quote from LockIt Technologies LLC, for upgrading to Windows 10. Just upgrading the old computer will run approximately \$625. To upgrade the computer it will be approximately \$1,592.99. It was approved to go ahead and update the computer since it is old and was a hand-me-down originally. Matt then discussed the necessary elevator repair. Matt said that he is at a standstill on the matter, but still trying to work through it.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, and Jason Bird, Minneapolis Golf Course, met with the commissioners and Kenny said that the Golf Course has asked him to spray at the course. The golf course equipment and groundskeeper are not adequate to complete their spraying needs. The proposal would be to utilize the spraying services from the Noxious Weed department, on an as needed basis, and when the weed department has an opening in their schedule. If approved, the chemical would be supplied by Noxious Weed and they would purchase it through the department. The commissioners felt like it would put the county in a competition with private businesses. The commissioners also felt like if they started it there, it would open it up that others would want the services also. Commissioner Brumbaugh asked if the City of Minneapolis had been contacted since they own the land at the golf course. Jason said that he has talked to the City and he didn't feel that they had the capability. The commissioners did not approve the request. Kenny reported on chemical sales for the year. Kenny gave the board an email from Mike, Tapco, on the request for some reimbursement on the training fee for him to come out to train on the sign machine, when Kenny informed the commissioners that the machine was not set-up correctly when it got here.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, gave the commissioners a letter from KDHE, terminating the need to have the tornado demolition landfill at the lake closed. The commissioners approved for Marie to continue with the final closing procedures. Marie said that the 2019 Disaster has been declared, which means the county qualifies for funding. Marie said that she is having problems getting information from the townships. She gave the commissioners a copy of the document that tells what she needs from each township. Marie gave the board Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Application information.

With no other business before the board, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.