

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

Commissioner Kay opened the meeting in the flag salute, and prayer.

For the record, Commissioner Brumbaugh was absent due to a funeral.

Added's and abatement's were approved.

Commissioner Luthi moved to accept Tracy Turner's resignation as Lincoln Township Clerk, and Matt Hettenbach's resignation as Lincoln Township Treasurer. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Luthi moved to appoint Tracy Turner as Lincoln Township Treasurer and Matt Hettenbach as Lincoln Township Clerk. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

The commissioners signed Resolution 13-37 pertaining to the transfer of available funds from Fire Department #3 Delphos to the Fire Department #3 Delphos Capital Outlay fund of \$10,000, and Resolution 13-38, transferring available fund from O & L #1 Fire Department fund to the O & L #1 Capital Outlay fund, of \$6,500.

Todd Heitschmidt, Court Administrator, gave the commissioners the final draft of the security plan in regards to the conceal carry law, and the notice that will be sent out to the Attorney General office, Sheriff office, and City of Minneapolis Police Department. The commissioners signed the documents.

At 8:30 a.m., the commissioners held the Amended Noxious Weed budget hearing. The amendment was for \$14,000. No one was present. Commissioner Luthi moved to adopt the amended Noxious Weed budget for 2013. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the commissioners the steel proposals. Oden Enterprises, \$46,612.57; The Railroad Yard Inc., \$41,849.39; and Husker Steel, \$39,078. Commissioner Kay moved to accept the

proposal from Husker Steel, \$39,078 for bridge material, subject to audit. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. The commissioners opened interest rate proposals for the two motor graders. Bank of Tescott, 2.44% for 5 years; Bennington State Bank, 2.25% for 5 years; Ottawa County Bank, 2.68% for 5 years, and Caterpillar Financing, 2.76% for 5 years. Commissioner Luthi moved to accept the proposal from Bennington State Bank for 2.25% for 5 years for the two motor graders. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, stopped in and reported that his computer had quit working last week, and he had a quote from Computer Solutions, Inc., for around \$1,200. The commissioners approved.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, visited with the commissioners on the hours at Noxious Weed. He did a three-year estimate on 8 hours a day 5 day a week versus 10 hours a day 4 days a week. Commissioner Kay said that he thought the 10 hour a day 4 day a week in the summer months is fine, but thinks the weed department should be open for the convenience of the public other than the summer hours, 5 days a week. It was decided that he would be 10 hours a day 4 days a week April-November, and 8 hours a day five days a week, December-March.

Prisoner count was reported Saline County 3, and Cloud County 1.

Jim McClain, Bennington, gave the commissioners an update on the ambulance population and valuation figures. Karen McClain, Bennington Recycling Center, reported that the City of Bennington has appointed a committee for the recycling center, and she is the chairman. They have opened their own account and checks will go to her to keep an accounting of.

Brent Wagoner, Henry M Adkins & Son, Inc., gave the commissioners and clerk a demonstration on the Unisyn Voting machine they offer.

The minutes of December 23, 2013, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Minutes of Proceeding  
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners  
December 23, 2013

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