

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
November 27, 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, then led the group in the flag salute.

Commissioner Luthi moved to amend the minutes for November 20, 2017, to read, the door decals would be 16 decals, at \$6.27 each for a total of \$100.32. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, visited with the commissioners about his FLSA status. He understood that they were looking at possibly making him a contract employee. The commissioners said that they are looking at all appointed department heads job descriptions, and nothing is set on changing his. Truette said that they would be needing to replace J. P. Metzler on the zoning board. The commissioners will think of someone and let him know.

Vouchers were approved.

Added's and abatements were approved for the tax roll. Commissioner Luthi moved to approve the solid waste exemption for James Behrendt for 111 N Mill St., Minneapolis, Ks. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Commissioner Luthi moved to adjust the internal equipment rate for county equipment at \$70, same as FEMA reimbursement rate. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Shannon asked where the commissioners are at with the safety steel toed boots. After discussion, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to require the Ottawa County Highway Department employees wear steel toed boots. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to approve the county pay \$75, for each employee of the Road & Bridge crews, for steel toed boots, per employee per calendar year. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. The \$75 will be added to the employee's paycheck in January.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 34, and Ottawa County 6.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, came in and the commissioners discussed the accident that she had with the emergency management vehicle. The commissioners will let her know if she can continue driving it for personal use.

Jeremy Snavelly, met with the commissioners for his grievance hearing. Jason Parks, County Attorney, joined the group.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 11:27 a.m. for five 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 Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator. They returned to regular session at 11:32 a.m. Shannon will follow-up with the County Attorney.

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With no further business before the board, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to adjourn at 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.