

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
January 11, 2016

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

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

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

The Board of County Commissioners held re-organization.

Commissioner Kay moved to nominate Commissioner Luthi as Chairman of the Board for 2016. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Kay moved to nominate Commissioner Brumbaugh as Vice-Chairman for 2016. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Kay moved to re-appoint the following department heads for their respective offices for 2016: Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, John Cople, Highway Administrator, Ken Stelter, Custodian, Sara Hodges, Health/Aging Administrator, Jettie Condray, Museum Curator, and Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to designate the following banks as the County's official depositories: Bennington State Bank, Minneapolis, Bennington State Bank, Bennington, Citizens State Bank, Minneapolis, Citizens State Bank, Delphos, and Bank of Tescott, Tescott. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to designate the following as the official county newspaper for 2016: Minneapolis Messenger. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, brought up the new burn resolution for the commissioners to look at. She said that she has done a press release on the open burning regulations. The commissioners signed Resolution 16-05, pertaining to open burning. Marie went over the quarterly request for funds for FEMA that she recently sent in for reimbursement. She went through the townships that hadn't completed their FEMA work, that as of January 1, 2016, the road and bridge department will be taking over getting the work done.

Vouchers were approved.

Abatements were approved.

Larry Fahrenbruch and Janelle Showalter, Legal Shield, went over the services that Legal Shield has to offer to

employees. After going through the presentation, Mr. Fahrenbruch asked permission to present to employees. The commissioners said they would review it and let him know.

The commissioners signed Resolution 16-04, transferring a scheduled budgeted transfer for 2016 from County General Fund to the Equipment Reserve Fund, of \$63,000. The majority of this transfer is for the upgrading of the courthouse elevator.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board an application from Troy Leisey, Minneapolis, on the Disposal of Dilapidated Housing Program, for property at 513 N Rock, for reduced solid waste fees. The application was approved. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to accept the agreement with A T & T, for Ottawa County Project #A0097TN, to install buried cable on Rifle Road, between N 150th Road and N 160th Road. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. John discussed purchasing a dump truck to replace a couple of old ones he has. John said that he checked on a cover-all building to cover the salt for the roads he has, and it would run \$7,100.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 46, and Ottawa County 5.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, visited with the board on the mapping services for when the deputy appraiser retires. Truette said that he will start advertising for the position this week. The group discussed the position.

Commissioner Kay moved to recess at 10:51 a.m., until 1:00 p.m.

At 1:00 p.m., the commissioners held the annual County/Fair Board/City of Minneapolis/Recreation Commission meeting. Those present were Gary Kay, Carnival Committee, Roger Reed, Minneapolis, Sheldon Daugherty, Fair Board, Brian Kindall, Fair Board, Dave Sweat, City of Minneapolis, Ed Wright, Minneapolis, Casey Rupert, Minneapolis, Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, Tania Daugherty, Minneapolis Recreation Commission, Al and Joann Miles, Carnival Committee, and Kerm Wedel, City of Minneapolis. Commissioner Luthi thanked everyone for coming. She said the last time the group met, discussion was held on where to put a new carnival ride. Someone was going to go down and stake out the site, and then everyone would go down and look. Brian said some had gone down, and they thought there were two possible locations. Phil handed out a drawing of Plan A, which is the preferred location, and Plan B, west of the existing site, facing east and west. Fair Board- Brian- It's a 4 day fair and the carnival benefits them 100%, but the rest of the months everyone else has to look at it. Recreation Commission-Tania- they would rather see it on the west side, plan B. Casey Rupert- At the T-ball field, and move the T-ball field. However, there is nowhere else for the T-ball to go. Carnival Committee-Plan A, a lot less work. The agreement was discussed, and

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Commissioner Luthi asked if there were any changes. The group went through changes for the agreement. The fair dates for 2016 is July 19-22. Les Johns, Recreation Commission joined the group. Roger will go stake out Plan A, everyone will go look at the plans, and meet next Tuesday at 11:30 a.m., at the ballfield.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Kay moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 p.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion.