

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

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

The annual township reports of Bennington, Buckeye and Henry Townships were examined and confirmed.

Commissioner Luthi moved to appoint Jake Ketron to the Minneapolis Fire Department #2. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

Abatement's were approved.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board information on a meeting Ottawa County is hosting April 3, 2013. At 9:15 a.m., the commissioners opened bids for spiral pipe. Those present were Mark Nelson, D-C Wholesale, Emily Spencer, Metal Culverts Inc., and Garry Montre, Welborn Sales, Inc. J & J Drainage Products Co., \$43,838.10; Welborn Sales, Inc., \$41,510.24; Metal Culverts Inc., \$40,104.64; D-C Wholesale, \$40,614. Commissioner Luthi moved to accept the bid from D-C Wholesale, for \$40,614, subject to audit. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried. In discussion, Commissioner Luthi chose D-C Wholesale, as their home office is in Kansas.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Sedgwick County 7, Ottawa County 5, Saline County 1, and KDOC 1. Keith reported that he needed to replace a computer for Sheriff's office. The commissioners discussed the jail finances with Keith. Jason Parks, County Attorney, joined the group. Keith said that he needed to make a trip to Sedgwick County and meet with their new sheriff. The group discussed options to think about. Keith will put some figures together of different options.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, brought in his annual report and weed management plan to be approved. The commissioners reviewed the reports and signed

them. Kenny reported that he is still waiting on a complete proposal from Morton buildings. Kenny said that they have been doing some cleaning up at the office. Kenny discussed, after talking to the Sheriff, about keeping and using at the weed department the pickup that the Sheriff will not need in the near future. The commissioners approved.

At noon, the commissioners held the annual solid waste meeting. Those present were Virginia Hoover, City of Minneapolis Mayor/Solid Waste Chairman, John Copple, Highway Administrator, Dave Hardesty, Landfill Operator, Jason Rourke, RMA Engineering, Carolyn Winebrenner, City of Culver Mayor, Judith Swagerty, Bennington, and Kerm Wedel, City of Minneapolis Council. Virginia called the meeting to order. Commissioner Luthi gave the financial report. Total tonnage hauled to Salina was 2247.02, and recycling tons reimbursed was 180.20 tons. Dave Hardesty reported things were going smooth at the landfill. They need another pit dug at the landfill, which will be done in the near future. John Copple gave a tire amnesty/clean-up report. He felt the program was a good program and should be continued. John indicated that RMA Engineering will be working on behalf of Ottawa County with KDHE and keeping up with the requirements needed for the landfill. Judy Swagerty gave the E-Waste report. The company they worked with last year did not come for two months to pick-up the material. This year, May 4, 2013, items will be taken to Salina. Information will be going out. Spring clean-up was set for May 6-11, 2013, and Fall clean-up October 7-12, 2013. Judith nominated Virginia to remain chairman. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Luthi nominated Judith as vice-chairman. Carolyn seconded. Motion carried. Kerm moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:28 p.m. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

The minutes of February 4, 2013, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 12:46 p.m.