

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
July 31, 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, and led the group in the flag salute.

Vouchers and payroll were approved.

Mary Arganbright, County Clerk, gave the commissioners a letter from Jettie Condray, Museum Curator, on his retirement plans. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to accept the resignation letter from Jettie Condray, Museum Curator, effective December 24, 2017. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

At 8:15 a.m., the commissioners held the 2018 budget hearing for Fire Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. No one was present. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to accept the 2018 budgets for Fire Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, as published. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to pass Resolution 17-11, expressing the property taxation policy of the Fire District #1, Fire District #2, and Fire District #3 governing body with respect to financing the annual budget for 2018. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Sara Olmsted, and Rosalee Tibbits, Kansas Cross Roads, RC&D, met with the board and discussed what programs they have done for the county. She was requesting funding from the county to help with expenses. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to pay the invoice total of \$700 to Kansas Crossroads RC&D. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, stopped in and let the commissioners know that the tax sale is about 60 days away. They discussed the process.

Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Shannon gave the commissioners a check he received from Farm Bureau Insurance Company for \$425, in regard to their insured John Boucek, and a bridge that was damaged on Oxbow Road. Shannon discussed a phone call he received about a log jam in a creek. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to accept the proposal and contract from APAC to pave 6 miles of the Niles Road with 1" hot-mix, 4,475 tons at \$64.50/ton, \$288,637.50; and pave 2.5 miles of Solomon Road with 1" hot-mix 2,035 tons at \$64.50/ton, \$131,257.50. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Shannon reported the traffic counter went on the Wells Road this morning.

Mike Smith, Fire District #2 Minneapolis, and Mike Brayton, Glasco Fire District, met with the board and Mike Smith said that Glasco was in need of a fire truck, and they were interested in purchasing the 1992 IHC tanker.

Mike Smith said that he has had only one other phone call from someone. Mike Brayton gave the commissioners a document with their offer of \$15,000, and both departments agree to split the cost of the 2-speed repair, of \$700. Commissioner Luthi moved to accept the offer from Glasco Fire District for the 1992 International pumper truck for \$15,000, with both departments splitting the \$700 cost 50/50 of the 2-speed repair. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Matt Dixon, Custodian, brought in the estimates he received for the replacement of valves. Griffin's, estimate to replace incoming 3" water line valve and the 2" valve of the copper water line to the north end of the building, \$1,570, and another option replace the 3" valve with an American made ball valve add \$350; G & G Contracting, Option #1, 3" butterfly cast iron valve, \$3,069.53, and Option #2, 3" watts full port ball valve, \$3,322.53. Both options also included replacing certain areas with PVC pipe. The commissioners wanted to go look at the proposed repair.

Prisoner count was reported Saline County 47, Sedgwick County 1, and Ottawa County 6.

Lisa Keating, Family Heritage Insurance, visited with the board on policies they have to offer to employees.

Kevin Urban, Saline County Planning & Environment Services, gave the commissioners a second quarter statistical review. Commissioner Kay started visiting with Kevin about the process of dumping tires, which he had visited with Kevin about at one other time. He pulled out brochures that he gave the other two commissioners, and Kevin. He said that he has visited with several other counties on what they accept and what they do not. Commissioner Kay brought up the fact that several Ottawa County businesses save up their tires to bring out to the county free dump period. Commissioner Kay said that he didn't think they were storing their tires according to State regulations. Commissioner Kay said that they were dumping them for free, yet collecting the environmental fee. Commissioner Kay said his personal feeling was the county was enabling those businesses to store the tires, because the county was allowing the dumping of commercial tires at free dump period.

Dave Hardesty, Landfill Operator, met with the commissioners and discussed the landfill contract for the upcoming years. Dave asked about the pumping, and if he was supposed to handle that. Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, joined the group. Shannon said that Road & Bridge would take care of it. Dave asked about an increase of operator fee. He suggested a proposal, in which the commissioners asked for him to put in writing.

The commissioners went to look at plumbing where valve replacement is needed. After returning, Matt Dixon, Custodian, joined them. Commissioner Luthi moved to accept the quote from Griffin's to repair the valves on the pipes in the maintenance room, for \$1,570, with the option of the 3" valve with an American made ball valve for \$350.00. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Brumbaugh discussed

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the notes and what she remembered from the July 10, 2017, meeting when Matt met with the commissioners and discussed an invoice. Commissioner Brumbaugh said in her opinion that the minutes did not need to be amended.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Luthi moved to adjourn at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.