

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
August 7, 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.

Bruce Shields, opened the meeting in prayer. Commissioner Kay led the group in the flag salute.

Abatements were approved.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, reminded the commissioners that August 16, 2017, was the Strategic Doing, at the John Henry Center. The Dane G Hansen Foundation has pledged \$100,000 a year for 4 years to the Ottawa County Community Foundation for residents to create and implement plans of action to improve the quality of life in Ottawa County. He discussed Nuisance Abatement Program, and asked the board if they wanted to participate in the plan with North Central Regional Planning Commission. The program is a means for communities to have access on a contractual basis with NCRPC as a third party to assess and oversee that all properties are treated alike that may have common nuisances like unlicensed cars; uncontrolled weeds, grass, trees, bushes; houses with broken windows or doors; outbuildings in disrepair; vacant houses; and household garbage and other waste. Commissioner Brumbaugh will get with Doug McKinney, NCRPC, to set-up a date/time to come down and go over the program, and the commissioners will invite other entities in the county. Phil went over other items he is working on/participating in.

Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Shannon reported on the traffic counters, and that the license has expired. Shannon said that they will renew the license. Shannon gave the commissioners information on the Federal Fund Exchange, and that the State is now at a 75% match instead of 90%. Commissioner Luthi moved to approve Highway Right-of-Way/Cross-Road/Utility Use Permit, Permit No. 36, for Piping Technology Company for excavating existing buried pipeline and make necessary repairs to pipe and coating for portions of Aspen Road. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Kay brought up the tire dumping on free dump week. Commissioner Brumbaugh felt that the commercial businesses should be allowed to dump on free dump week. The commissioners will discuss the issue more later. Commissioner Kay said that he was approached by a business man that said that Shannon had visited with him on purchasing a generator, and Shannon said that he could purchase the generator cheaper on-line, in which he did purchase on-line. Commissioner Kay said that he felt on prior purchases Shannon has made on-line, he felt they should have been sent out locally for estimates, and brought before the board.

Rosie Walter, Community Corrections, met the board and presented grants for approval. They were Kansas Department of Corrections Fiscal Year 2018, Adult Services Application with budget, and Juvenile Services Application and budget and the Behavioral Health Application and budget. Commissioner Luthi moved to approve the 2018 Adult Services Application with budget. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried,

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3-0. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to approve the 2018 Juvenile Services Application and budget. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Luthi moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2018 budget for Department of Corrections Behavioral Health as presented. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 38, Sedgwick County 1, State of Texas 1, and Ottawa County 7. Keith said that the architect might be meeting with the commissioners next Monday on the proposed jail remodeling. Keith said that he needs to replace the 2003 Chevrolet pickup and will be getting estimates.

The commissioners and County Clerk worked on review of the Employee Handbook.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Luthi moved to adjourn at 12:35 p.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.