

Minutes of Proceeding  
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners  
January 3, 2017

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

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

Commissioner Luthi opened the meeting in prayer, then led the group in the flag salute.

Brandon Cochran, Bennington EMS, stopped in and asked about redistricting for Bennington EMS, and Bennington Fire Department. The commissioners gave him some contact information for him to start with to check on procedures.

The commissioners signed Resolution 17-01, transferring available 2016 prior year funds from General fund to the Law Enforcement Center Capital Outlay fund of \$300,000; Resolution 17-02, transferring available 2016 prior year funds from General fund to the Equipment Reserve fund of \$63,000; Resolution 17-03, transferring available 2016 prior year funds from General fund to the Law Enforcement Center fund of \$50,000; and Resolution 17-04, determining that the financial statements and financial reports for the year ended 12-31-17 to be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted to show compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of this state.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, touched base with the board on the tax abatement policy resolution. He asked if the commissioners have had a chance to look through everything he has given them. The commissioners need to set a base amount before the resolution can be done. Phil then discussed the comprehensive plan, and gave the commissioners some information that he would like for them to look over. Phil discussed electronic records for cemeteries with the board.

Shannon Luthi, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Shannon said that he was going to have to pursue getting something done on the septic system at the shop.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 42, Sedgwick County 2, and Ottawa County 6. Keith said that they got the new washing machine in. He is still looking for one correction officer.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, stopped back in and the group worked on objectives on the comprehensive plan.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 10:22 a.m. for 30 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the employee. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners, Jason Parks, County Attorney, and Mary Arganbright, County Clerk. They returned to regular session at 10:52 a.m. No decision was made.

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Jason Parks, County Attorney, visited with the commissioners on how accrual of leave is handled.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 10:56 a.m. for fifteen minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the employee. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners, Jason Parks, County Attorney, and Mary Arganbright, County Clerk. They returned to regular session at 11:11 a.m. No decision was made.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.