

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 led the group in prayer and the flag salute.

Vouchers and payroll were approved.

Jody Parks, Ottawa County Health Center Administrator, gave the commissioners an update on the hospital bond project. Jody discussed that the Health Planning Commission is paying the internet for the Economic Development office. The commissioners said they would discuss it with the director later in the morning, and have him get back with her. Jody gave the board a heads up that in the basement there is a locked area that the health department uses for records that need to be locked up. The hospital is going to be needing that area, as it adjoins an area that already has their records. Jody thought there would be an area in the basement that could be cleaned out, and other storage options put in for the health department to use.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. Commissioner Luthi moved to sign the Highway Use Permit 15.5, for the City of Culver. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. John talked to the commissioners about renewing the bobcat lease agreement. It was decided to continue the existing lease. John reported that he is in need of another mower. He had a quote from Lott Implement for a Land Pride, for \$13,800. The commissioners approved. John talked about a road in Buckeye Township that the trees have grown up again. The road is hardly used and John wondered about closing it. The commissioners said they would like to go look at the road before anything is done.

Brian Russell, ThyssenKrupp Elevator, visited with the commissioners on the elevator modernization project. Ken Stelter, Custodian, joined the group. The commissioners said that they were ready to proceed with the project. The group discussed dates, as the elevator would be down approximately 3 weeks. The commissioners gave him dates that the elevator would need to be available due to court. The planned date to start was decided of January 19, 2016. Commissioner Kay moved to accept the contract from ThyssenKrupp Elevator for the elevator upgrade and repairs, for \$54,994. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Salina County 26, and Ottawa County 5. Keith reported on a vehicle repair, and jail repairs.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, gave the board an update on the Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ). They have approved 7 applicants, which puts the county to the funding limit commitment for year 2. The commissioners talked to Phil about his office internet. Phil will check into it and see what his options are.

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
August 31, 2015

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

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Kay moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.