

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
June 30, 2014

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 Kathy M Luthi, Commissioner Karen Brumbaugh, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

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

At 8:00 a.m., the commissioners held board of canvass for the mail ballot elections for USD #239 and USD #240, held June 24, 2014. After reviewing all provisional ballots, poll books, and other related documents, Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to declare the mail ballot elections valid and official. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Luthi moved to raise election board worker wage from \$7.50 per hour to \$8.00. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. The commissioners signed Resolution 14-17, increasing election board worker wages from \$7.50 per hour to \$8.00 per hour.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, brought up chemical sales year-to-date for the commissioners to look at. Kenny discussed chemical spraying with the board.

Payroll and vouchers were approved.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, and Allen Brown, Road Foreman, met with the board and John reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board a solid waste exemption from Dwight Lister, 501 N Main, Delphos, which was denied as it is a livable residence with electricity hooked up. The group discussed speed limit signs. The group discussed the issue of switching out motor grader blades. The commissioners said they have met with the motor grader men, and their report was the men are concerned about their safety in switching out the blades, and the roads will not be graded like they are used to. Allen explained the crown process, and training that all the blade men went to. Allen discussed what he has told the blade men about helping them. After discussion it was decided to meet with the blade men July 7 at 7:00 a.m., at the count shop. The commissioners will go look at roads July 3 at 7:30 a.m.

Elia Pogue, Silver Hair Legislative representative for Ottawa County, visited with the commissioners about a contribution to the Silver Haired Legislators budget. Elia explained what she did as a representative. She then read her letter of resignation as the representative for Ottawa County that she will submit to the appropriate individual at the State. The commissioners said they would take her request under consideration.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count Saline County 29, and Ottawa County1. Keith reported on maintenance repair items.

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Dave Hardesty, Landfill Operator, gave the board a report on tonnage. John Copple, Highway Administrator, and Jason Parks, County Attorney, joined the group. Jason gave Dave a revised Lease for Land, and the Operation's for Landfill contract for review. Dave will review the documents and meet back next week.

Sara Hodges, Health/Aging Administrator, came in and updated the commissioners on the status of Hospice. The commissioners asked for Sara to be thinking about a replacement for Elia Pogue as a representative for the Silver Hair Legislative for Ottawa County.

Phil Aumick, Economic Development Director, stopped in and discussed a piece of property with the board.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, updated the board on a legal matter. Jason reported on a law change effective July 1, 2014, pertaining to jury related matters.

The minutes of June 30, 2014, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.