

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
June 13, 2016

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

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

Pastor Ed Rouston opened the meeting in prayer, and Commissioner Luthi led the group in the flag salute.

Vouchers were approved.

Mary Arganbright, County Clerk, reported on a budget workshop she attended last week. Mary gave the board a resolution authorizing the renaming of a county budgeted fund. The commissioners signed Resolution 16-12, authorizing the Ottawa County Clerk to rename the Mental Retardation fund to OCCK. The commissioners signed Resolution 16-11, establishing the .20 cent pay increase, effective June 25, 2016, adjusting the elected official's salaries.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, reported that spaying is going well. Kenny said that they have been putting up signs when they aren't spraying. Kenny said that the insurance adjustor had been out and looked at the roofs on the buildings from the hail damage. Nothing will be done at this time. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy of an employee, at 8:34 a.m. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Kenny. They returned to regular session at 9:44 a.m. No decision was made.

Robert Altwegg, stopped in and visited with the commissioners about an entrance in Chapman Township. He said that he has been trying to get this resolved with John Copple, Highway Administrator, since the tornado, and John has told him that it's on Clay County. Robert said the agreement happened 40 years ago, and that John wouldn't have been the administrator then. It was decided that the commissioners would go look at the area.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, Allen Brown, Road Foreman, and Jason Rourke, RMA Engineering, discussed the water in a cell at the landfill. Jason said they looked at the elevations, and for a permanent solution he thought that putting a perforated pipe in the NW corner and encasing with rock, then have it run into the pond. Jason said he would start pumping the water out sooner than later. After discussion, the commissioners asked for Jason to put a document together that they can keep on file on anticipated costs for future reference. John discussed the issue that Robert Altwegg is trying to get resolved. The group set the date to go look at the site in the afternoon, June 27. It was decided to contact a representative with Clay County to also meet there. Commissioner Kay discussed hay bales being piled on county right-of-way, and nothing being done after John sends out letters. Commissioner Kay said that this has been reported to the county attorney also, last summer, and nothing was done. Commissioner Luthi stated that if the county sends the letters, then

the county has done its due diligence. Job descriptions were discussed, and applicants not having CDL's when hired, were discussed.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, and Russell Thornton, Undersheriff, met with the commissioners. Prisoner count was reported Saline County 50, and Ottawa County 6. Keith reported on employee matters. Keith informed the board that the missing person had been located. Russell visited with the commissioners on the K-9. Russell said that she is getting to the age that she is developing some health issues. He doesn't want to take the chance of hurting her, or her hurting someone, so he would like to retire her. He gave information on replacing Gjeena, and he would like to keep the K-9 program going. The commissioners approved. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes at 10:09 a.m., for non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy of the employee. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. They returned to regular session at 10:19 a.m. Commissioner Kay moved to start the perspective new sheriff deputy hire at \$12.80. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Kay moved to approve Resolution 16-13, Continuing the Tri-Rivers Local Environmental Grant (LEPG) Cooperative Agreement. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Jettie Condray, Museum, stopped in and the commissioners discussed his work schedule with him. They asked that he turn a time sheet in on a weekly basis.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 10:42 a.m., for ten minutes, to discuss non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy of the individual. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners, and Jason Parks, County Attorney. They returned to regular session at 10:52 a.m. No decision was made. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session for ten minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy of the employee, at 11:39 a.m. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners, and Jason. They returned to regular session at 11:49 a.m. No decision was made. The commissioners updated Jason on the EMS meeting from last week.

Commissioner Kay moved to pass Resolution 16-14, making application for affiliation to the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System to become a participating employer in the Kansas Police and Firemen's Retirement System, effective January 1, 2017. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Commissioner Kay moved to pass Resolution 16-15, making application for the inclusion of all its eligible employees in optional insurance under the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System, to the Kansas Police And Firemen's Retirement System. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

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With no further business before the board, Commissioner Kay moved to adjourn at 12:38 p.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.