

Minutes of Proceeding  
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners  
April 21, 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. A

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

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, brought up the fire index which is in the high category, and by the afternoon it will be in the very high. She gave a forecast. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to extend the burn ban on Resolution 14-08 not to exceed seven days. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

At 8:30 a.m., the commissioners held a road hearing, petitioned by Steven Hoover, for a road described as follows: A part of the Southeast quarter (SE ¼) of Section 36, Township 10 South, Range 1 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ottawa County, Kansas and a part of the Northeast quarter (NE ¼) of Section 1, Township 11 South, Range 1 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ottawa County, Kansas, beginning at a point 25 feet South and 100 feet East of the Northwest (NW) corner of the Northeast quarter (NE ¼) of said Section 1; running thence East along the South right-of-way line of Limestone Road to a point on the West right-of-way line of Solomon Road/Meridian Road; running thence North along the West right-of-way line of Solomon Road/Meridian Road a distance of 50 feet; running thence West along the North right-of-way line of Limestone Road to a point due North of the point of beginning; running thence South 50 feet to the point of beginning the same being a portion of the roadway right-of-way of Limestone Road, Ottawa County, Kansas. Donavon Stucky was present. Mr. Stucky just wanted to make sure he would still have access to his land. The group went to the Appraiser's office and viewed the property on a map. After reviewing the map, Commissioner Luthi moved to pass Resolution 14-11, on the above described road. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board an agreement between Tank Management Services, Inc., and Ottawa County, for monitoring of the underground tanks. John gave the board two applications for dilapidated houses, from John Robins, and /Robert Hess, which were approved. John said that he would like to look for a belly dump trailer. He will look on Purple Wave.

Nathaniel Berg, Hampton and Royce, LC, visited with the board about a petition that Mr. Berg has filed on behalf of Bruce Laffitte, for possible road vacating. The road is described as follows: A strip of land located in the West Half of Section 4 and in the East Half of Section 5, all in Township 10 South, Range 2 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ottawa County, Kansas described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 4, thence on an assumed bearing N 89 degrees 38'53" E, along the North line of said Section 4, a distance of 24.75 feet; Thence S 00 degrees 00'46" W, parallel with and 24.75 feet perpendicular to the West line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 4, a distance of 2703.85 feet; Thence S 00 degrees 00'32" W, parallel with and 24.75

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feet perpendicular to the West line of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 4, a distance of 2644.11 feet to a point on the South line of said Section 4; Thence S 89 degrees 49'37" W, along the South line of said Section 4, a distance of 24.75 feet to the Southwest corner of said Section 4; Thence S 89 degrees 39'18" W, along the South line of said Section 5, a distance of 24.75 feet; Thence N 00 degrees 00'32" E, parallel with and 24.75 feet perpendicular to the East line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 5, a distance of 2644.16 feet; Thence N 00 degrees 00'46" E, parallel with and 24.75 feet perpendicular to the East line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 5, a distance of 2703.72 feet to a point on the North line of said Section 5; Thence N 89 degrees 38'53" E, along the North line of said Section 5, a distance of 24.75 feet to the point of beginning. Mr. Berg said that he knows that the proposal of vacating will have opposition at the time of the hearing. The commissioners signed Resolution 14-12, proposing possible vacation on the above described road.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 8, and Ottawa County 2.

Sara Hodges, Health/Aging Department Director, stopped in and visited with the health department getting accredited. She explained the process and how it would eventually benefit the health department. The first step would be learning the domains. The first phase requires no monetary obligation. The commissioners asked for Sara to research who her health advisory board is and specifics on it. The commissioners reminded Sara they wanted to meet with her on a monthly basis. Commissioner Brumbaugh asked for Sara to report to them monthly on health department hours.

At 12:00 noon, the commissioners recessed to attend the annual Hospital Board meeting.

The commissioners reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

The commissioners met with Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, and John Cople, Highway Administrator, and discussed getting conflicts between the two departments resolved. Expectations of each department was discussed. Kenny said that he didn't have a problem paying for half of the fence/gate that road and bridge put up.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, stopped in and the commissioners gave him the Fiduciary Engagement Letter between Ottawa County, Kansas, and George K Baum & Company, to look over. Jason approved the document and the board signed the agreement, in regards to the hospital bond.

The minutes of April 21, 2014, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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