

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 prayer.

The commissioners examined and confirmed the annual report of Sheridan, and Blaine Townships.

Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to accept the resignation of Donald Adams as Morton Township Treasurer, effective March 1, 2014. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Luthi moved to go into executive session at 8:17 a.m. for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk. They returned to regular session at 8:22 a.m. No decision was made. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session at 8:23 a.m. for three minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners, and Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk. They returned to regular session at 8:26 a.m. No decision was made.

Shawn Esterl, Saline County Environmental Sanitarian, Leigh Ann Montoy, Saline County Environmental Coordinator, and Kevin Urban, Saline County Sanitarian, gave the commissioners an update on 2013 services in the county. Leigh Ann discussed the probability of fees increasing, but they will come back in April after they have finalized discussions in their office on the issue.

Commissioner Luthi moved to approve the revision to the Ottawa County Employee Handbook, Section 9, Working Hours, addressing weather related closing of county offices. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board the estimate on the deck replacement for the bridge south of Delphos from RMA Engineering, of \$496,026, which does not include any roadway construction(grading, base, pavement, guardrail, etc.), or steel beam painting, which would add \$100,000 for roadway construction, and \$100,000 for painting. John reported on employee matters. John said that he plans on starting on the Ada Bridge next Monday, weather permitted.

Sara Hodges, Ottawa County Health/Aging Administrator, reported that she is not ready to discuss Hospice yet, as she hasn't got the information ready. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go into executive session for non-elected personnel at 9:37 a.m. for fifteen minutes. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Those

present were the commissioners and Sara. They returned to regular session at 9:52 a.m. No decision was made. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to go back into executive session at 9:54 a.m. for ten minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Sara. They returned to regular session at 10:04 a.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to create a new job description of Deputy Director of Health Services of Ottawa County. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to appoint Trisha Smith as Deputy Director of Health Services of Ottawa County, full-time salaried position, effective February 25, 2014. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Ottawa County 4, and Saline County 12. The group discussed address signage within the county.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, brought up an estimate from PRS for fixing the roof at the former Noxious Weed building. It was decided that Kenny hold on the estimate, without the commissioners seeing it, as Kenny was mentioning getting other estimates from local vendors. Kenny updated the commissioners on what his employee has been doing. Kenny reported on a matter that happened last Tuesday, when he took trash over to the shop building, like he has always done in the past. He said that he got chewed out and swore at from a Road and Bridge employee, and that he didn't appreciate it being a department head. The commissioners said that they would look into the matter.

Jody Parks, Ottawa County Health Center Administrator, Steve Carlson, Kent Boster, Pam Barker, and Tom McGavran, Ottawa County Health Center Board members, met with the commissioners and Steve informed them that yesterday at their board meeting they voted to get an architect and start the process to renovate the hospital, and move the clinic to the hospital, not to exceed 5 million dollars. Jody went through the steps they came up with why moving the clinic up to the hospital would be a good fit for the county. Jody discussed their current plans, which could change, on renovations. Going for a bond issue was discussed. It was decided that Jody would contact Gilmore and Bell to set-up a meeting. Commissioner Kay moved to support the hospital board expansion project. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

The commissioners signed the lease-purchase agreement with BSB Leasing Inc., for the 2013 MF 6615 Tractor from Lott Implement Inc.

The minutes of February 18, 2014, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
February 18, 2014

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