

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
May 17, 2021

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

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with First District Commissioner Dawn Wolf, Second District Commissioner Scott Mortimer, Third District Commissioner D. D. Malmberg, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

Commissioner Wolf opened the meeting in prayer and then led the group in the flag salute.

Commissioner Mortimer moved to go into executive session at 8:02 a.m. for fifteen minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Katrina Pollet, Human Resources. They returned to regular session at 8:17 a.m. No decision was made.

Katrina Pollet, Human Resources, gave the board birthday cards for employees for the week to sign.

Jennifer Cleveland, and Tommy Barrett, Ottawa County Conservation District, presented the 2022 budget for consideration.

There was no one present for public comment from 8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 34, Sedgwick County 12, and Ottawa County 4.

Commissioner Malmberg moved to go into executive session at 9:05 a.m. for ten minutes to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Katrina Pollet, Human Resources. They returned to regular session at 9:15 a.m. No decision was made.

Greg Dockins, Road & Bridge Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. The group discussed flooding around the county. Greg reported that KWORCC came and did safety inspections at the county shop and there were no corrections that were needed and the landfill had just a couple of minor fixes to do. The group discussed rock. Greg brought up a couple of examples of rock, one of what is currently being put on the county roads, and the other is rock from Oklahoma, where the commissioners would like for Greg to purchase from. Commissioner Mortimer brought in several bags of rock also, some of which he collected off of county roads, and some from the Oklahoma company. The cost for the current rock is \$12.55/ton which the county does the hauling, and the price for the rock from Oklahoma is \$30/ton delivered. After discussion, it was decided to have the Oklahoma company deliver a couple loads a week to Ottawa County. Greg gave the board two proposals for chip sealing, APAC-Kansas, \$100,536.40 and Circle C Paving, \$84,000. Commissioner Malmberg moved to accept the proposal from Circle C Paving for chip or scrub seal 16.5 miles for Niles, Solomon, Culver and Tescott asphalt roads for \$84,000. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Greg gave the board an Ottawa County Road & Bridge Right of Way/Cross-Road/Utility Use Permit for Republican Valley Irrigation to install 2” conduit with electrical wires along and/or under a portion of Sunset Road & N 170th Road, in which the commissioners signed.

Katrina Pollet, Human Resources, talked to the commissioners about the COVID hazardous pay that was paid out last year to three individuals for \$2,000. She would like the commissioners to consider giving the 20 total employees at the jail/sheriff office the same amount of pay that the other three employees got last year, \$2,000 each, from the next round of funding that is coming out, so the total would be \$40,000.

Sara Hodges, Health/Aging Administrator, presented her 2022 budgets for consideration.

The commissioners held a conference call with Al Alfieri, Granite Government Solutions, who went over cost savings that his company can provide the county for the existing AT&T accounts the county still has. After the presentation, the information will be sent to the county attorney to look at.

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Brandon Baugh, Jeff Smith, and Cory Connelly, Fire District #6, presented the 2022 budget for consideration.

Judge Parks came in and the commissioners asked Judge for information on drug court procedures and showed him the document Todd Heitschmidt, Court Administrator, provided to the board on 2020 Ottawa County District Court Drug Cases. They shared the information provided to them by Annie Grevas, Community Corrections several weeks ago, on the proposal she was going to Saline County Commission on for a Pre-Trial/Drug Court shared position.

Marie Ballou, Emergency Management Coordinator, gave the commissioners a State of Local Disaster Emergency Proclamation for Ottawa County from the weekend flooding for the commissioners to sign. Marie gave the board her 2022 budget for consideration. Marie reported on outside entrance doors in the courthouse that are either broken/or need other attention. Most of the door locks also need to be repaired. The commissioners said for her to get someone here to get them fixed. Marie will get with Burgess to see what it will take. The commissioners approved for her to spend up to \$2,000 to get them fixed. If it's anymore than that, she will need to get back with the board.

Kim Winsett, County IT point-of-contact, gave the commissioners a Master Services Agreement with LockIt Technologies. She explained that the current contract is close to running out. She went through what LockIt is recommending. She discussed the labor pool hours that is needing to be increased. The commissioners will look over the information, and Kim will get a copy to the county attorney to review.

Commissioner Malmberg moved to go into executive session at 11:34 a.m. for five minutes for confidential data relating to financial affairs. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk. They returned to regular session at 11:39 a.m. No decision was made.

Mary Arganbright, Ottawa County Clerk, gave the board the minutes from May 10, 2021. Commissioner Malmberg moved to approve the May 10, 2021, minutes. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Mary gave the board a Resolution to review for renewing the Rural Opportunity Zoning (ROZ), which is needed if the commissioners wished to continue funding up to \$9,000 a year.

Katrina Pollet, Human Resources, gave the commissioners information on setting up a business Amazon account. She will continue to check into it. Katrina visited with the commissioners about the former assistant custodian's uniform shirts. When the contract is up, she would like the county to look at other options. Tin on a building at the fairgrounds was discussed. Commissioner Mortimer moved to go into executive session at 11:58 a.m. for ten minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried, 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Katrina Pollet, Human Resources. They returned to regular session at 12:08 p.m. No decision was made.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Malmberg moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:11 p.m. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.