

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McGavran.

The official minutes of April 12, 2010, were approved and signed.

Tom McGavran, and Dr. Ashley Swisher, met with the commissioners. Tom introduced Dr. Swisher, as the new dentist that will be taking over July 15, 2010, for Dr. Hargis. Dr. Swisher discussed her future plans as far as dentistry in Ottawa County. Dr. Swisher said her goal was to bring in another dentist in approximately 2-4 years, and would like the County to match the incentives that the City and School will do through Neighborhood Revitalization. The commissioners said they would discuss it.

The commissioners signed the Retail Dealer's 2010 License for Roger Miller d/b/a Bohemian Hall.

Mary Arganbright, County Clerk, reported on the software user conference she attended last week. The county's main software programs run off of the AS400 machine, and will need to be updated soon. Manatron has their web-based software programs available and discussed the long range goal of switching from machine to web-based programs.

Pat Baccus, County Treasurer, came in and said that she had left over vehicle funds from last year, and she transferred it to county general fund. Pat said that she needed to look at purchasing a new computer for herself, as it is going on 6 years old. The commissioners approved her request for \$1,500 from Computer Solutions.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, gave the commissioners the Hauler's Permit from Minneapolis Refuse Service, which was approved and signed. The commissioners discussed a request from Rory Tillett to dump a residence in Tescott trash at the landfill on free dump days, however he is using his vehicle, which is tagged in Saline County. The commissioners decided that since the trash is Ottawa County, that they would allow it. For future reference, as long as it is pre-approved by the commissioners, and it can be verified Ottawa County trash, it will be allowed. John reported on what crews were doing.

Dave Studebaker, Delphos Co-op, stopped in and talked to the commissioners about tax abatement's. He understood that they have already had someone speak for the economic

facility bonds. He wanted to see what the commissioners thoughts were on economic development and tax abatement's. He said they are looking at about a \$2,000,000 project. He said about a \$1,000,000-\$1,300,000 would be taxable. After discussion, they commissioners said they would discuss it.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, came in and the commissioners updated him on several projects that would involve tax abatement's. Truette explained the current Neighborhood Revitalization plan, and Economic Development plan, which the City of Minneapolis only has currently. Truette will get the commissioners the information on it.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Sedgwick County 29, Ottawa County 4, and Saline County 2. Keith got an amendment from CBM Food Service, and they changed the rate 2%, but Keith got it lowered back without a raise. Commissioner McGavran signed the amendment. Keith reported on the A/C unit that had leaked all the freon out, and he had it repaired.

Kevin Cowan, Gilmore Bell, met with the commissioners and discussed the dental project facility bonds. Kevin went through certain tax exemption/abatement laws. Commissioner Luthi moved to sign Resolution 10-07, determining the advisability of issuing industrial revenue bonds of said Ottawa County for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of a commercial dental office facility to be located in said county. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Luthi moved to sign Resolution 10-08, designating a recovery zone pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act of 2009 for the purpose of issuing recovery zone economic development bonds and recovery zone facility bonds. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Luthi moved to sign Resolution 10-09, allocating \$1,000,000 of recovery zone facility bonds to a certain dental office facility project pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act of 2009 for the purpose of facilitating a certain project within the county. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

At 11:00 a.m., the commissioners held an economic development meeting. Those present were Jim Murphy, Virginia Hoover, Todd Shanks, Susan Studebaker, Tom Weatherd, and Larry Combs. The commissioners asked the group what their thoughts were after the first meeting. The consensus was that Ottawa County does need an economic development director. Susan said that she has researched off the internet and there are resources available that wouldn't cost anyone anything. Qualifications were discussed if a director was to be hired. An advisory board was discussed if a director

was hired, to report to. It was decided by the group to proceed on with looking at trying to get an individual hired, part-time for starters, to at least be available to answer calls.

At 12:00 p.m., the commissioners attended the annual meeting at the hospital.

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