

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
May 19, 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.

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

Commissioner Luthi moved to adopt Resolution 14-16 adopting the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Region served by the North Central Regional Planning Commission. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, presented his 2015 budget for consideration.

Curtis McKain, FD #3 Delphos, presented the 2015 budget for consideration.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the commissioners another Disposal of Dilapidated Housing Program from Suzy and Kent Crosson, which was approved. John said that the railroad is going to be putting up a signals at the crossing on Mulberry Road and 110th Road, Ada Road. John said that he is still looking for a belly dump trailer, and used ones are going very high. The commissioners gave him permission to look at a new one for \$28,000.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, gave the board quotes for the roof repair on the old building. PRS, \$11,900, and North Central Steel, \$10,400. It was decided to wait until the next budget year to do anything. Kenny presented his 2015 budget for consideration. ;

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Ottawa County 1, and Saline County 23. Keith reported on a computer virus that affected his department last week. Keith presented Fire Department #2 Minneapolis 2015 budget for consideration.

Tim Wilson, and Bob Madina, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, met with the board via telephone, and John Cople, Highway Administrator, talked to the board about an illegal dumping problem where someone has dumped tires down a creek. KDHE will help the county clean-up the area, by paying for 75% of the costs, up to a maximum of \$10,000. The county would need to sign a contract with them.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, presented his 2015 budget for consideration. Commissioner Luthi moved to appoint Shannon Luthi to the Ottawa County Zoning Board. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.

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Marilyn Heck, Register of Deeds, visited with the commissioners on the web page, as she was serving as the website administrator. She has visited with Pat Baccus and JoDee Copple in the Treasurer's office, and she would like to turn it over to JoDee Copple. The commissioners approved.

The commissioners left at 11:30 a.m., to go view a proposed road petitioned to be vacated.

Richard Pieschl, visited with the commissioners about land along Heartland Drive, 23-11-3, Concord Township, which years ago the State turned over to the county, and the county turned over to him. He was here on March 24, 2014, and the commissioners asked for Richard to have it surveyed and a deed drawn up. He has done so, but has found out that the land cannot be deeded. Jason Parks, County Attorney, and John Copple, Highway Administrator, joined the group. Richard said that he is being told by the surveyor that it's a right-of-way issue. Jason said that the State did not give the county the land, they gave right-of-way. Jason said that the next step is to do a title search. Richard will look into it.

Jason Parks, County Attorney, went over the landfill contract with the board. John Copple, Highway Administrator, was also present.

Elmer Zerr, Zerr Engineering, met with the commissioners on property just north of the county line on old 81 Highway. Mr. Zerr said that there is currently 3 different driveways, and they do not need three only two. He would like to remove one and then widen one. John Copple, Highway Administrator, was also present. After discussion, no one had a problem with it.

Commissioner Kay moved to leave the road open, as petitioned by Bruce Laffitte, road 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 6th 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 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

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beginning. Motion died for lack of a second. Jason Parks, County Attorney, joined the group. The commissioners asked Jason what the county would be liable for, if they kept the road open, as far as maintenance. They gave Jason a copy of Road and Bridge policies already adopted. After discussion, Commissioner Kay moved to deny the petition to vacate the above mentioned road. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried.

The minutes of May 19, 2014, were read and approved.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.