

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

Commissioner Luthi opened the meeting in the flag salute and prayer.

Karen Brumbaugh, County Commissioner-Elect District 3, was an observer.

Songie McCall was an observer.

Added's and abatement's were approved.

Commissioner McGavran moved to appoint Dawn Perry as Durham Township Trustee and Lyle Perry as Durham Township Treasurer. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Mary Arganbright, County Clerk, gave the commissioner's her recommendation for the additional .25 per hour for her deputy.

The commissioners approved the Application for License to Retail Malt Beverages for Alice Jo Campbell, d/b/a The Virginian, and Notice to Township Board.

At 8:20 a.m. the commissioners met with the Minneapolis City Mayor, Virginia Hoover and City Council Members, Songie McCall, Kerm Wedel, Leanna Crist, Darrell Brown, and Dave Sweat. Also present was Jason Parks, County Attorney-Elect, and Lanny Zadina. Virginia said they were there to discuss EMS. She said that as everyone was aware, the City was losing their EMS Director, Lanny Zadina, for retirement. They are about a month away from hiring. Virginia said that they are hearing rumors the commissioners are wanting to split the Minneapolis district up. Commissioner Luthi explained she has been meeting with the Bennington Fire Department and Bennington EMS, to possibly combine their Bennington districts since they share a building now. They had invited Jason Parks, County Attorney-Elect to their last meeting to answer some of their legal questions they had for the guidelines to possibly change districts.

Since the announcement of the Minneapolis EMS director, the group wondered if it was time to possibly look into county-wide EMS. Jason indicated that it was only at a stage of seeing if the idea was worth pursuing, so that is why Minneapolis was not included in the past meetings. The group discussed where each entity wanted to go in the future. Virginia felt they needed to start discussing the future together, and the commissioners agreed. The group felt the ambulance task force should be discussing future needs. Songie McCall asked for a clarification before the group left on the Rock City sign matter. The commissioners said they committed 1/6 of the sign rental payments for three years, with discussion that they wanted funding commitment from Rock City.

Doug McKinney, North Central Regional Planning Commission, came in gave the commissioners an update. He also recognized Commissioner Ray McGavran for serving on the North Central Regional Planning Commission board and presented Commissioner McGavran with a certificate for his years of service.

Mary Wilson, Minneapolis Messenger, was an observer.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, reported on what crews were doing. John gave the commissioners the renewal maintenance agreement with Salina Scales for the scales at the landfill. Commissioner Kay moved to accept the renewal agreement with Salina Scales. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried. John said that Jeremy Snavelly will take the asphalt foreman position. John asked to start looking at mower/tractor proposals. The commissioners approved. Mary Thrower joined the group. Commissioner Luthi asked the board when they wanted to make a decision on the bridges that John has brought up. Mary Wilson, Minneapolis Messenger, asked about the bridge situation. Commissioner Luthi gave Mary a list, and asked that she get with John Copple for the information for an article. The commissioners will make a decision in January sometime after they have gathered all their data they need to make a decision.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, has been visiting with Jason Parks, County Attorney-Elect, about the next step in the building process. Kenny said that Morton building turned their bid into the prior bidders. Kenny indicated that the architect said the county might pursue Morton turning in a quote for the structure. Jason said that anything over \$25,000 will require a bond. It was decided to go to Morton buildings to seek a

quote.

Prisoner count is Sedgwick County 11, Ottawa County 1, City of Minneapolis 1, KDOC 1, Saline County 2, and Cloud County 1.

Sandy Spani, Health/Aging Director, stopped in and gave the board an update on training she has been through and plans to do. Sandy said that she has hospice beds in the basement of their offices and they are very heavy and some don't work. She would like to work with B & K to rent beds when necessary, and dispose of these. The commissioners gave her the county policy of disposing items. Sandy reported on other department items they are doing. Sandy asked permission to purchase a small laptop to take to meetings with her. The commissioners asked she look at her capital outlay account and pursue. Sandy reported on employee matters.

Marilyn Heck, Register of Deeds, gave her recommendation to the commissioners for her additional .25 cents for her deputy.

Pat Baccus, County Treasurer, brought in her proposal on the additional .25 cents for her department.

Commissioner Kay moved to accept the proposal from Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Chtd., for auditing services for 12/31/12. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried.

The commissioners signed Resolution 12-32, pertaining to the transferring of available funds for Fire Department #2 of \$10,000 to their capital outlay fund, and Resolution 12-33, pertaining to the transferring of available funds for Fire Department #3 of \$10,000 to their capital outlay fund.

The commissioners signed the payscales for 2013, and Resolution 12-34, pertaining to the elected officials salaries for 2013.

The minutes of December 17, 2012, were read and approved.

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
December 17, 2012

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

The commissioners attended the county holiday dinner and presented service awards.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11.25 a.m.