

Ottawa County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

August 15, 2022

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, Heather Maddox all present.

Commissioner Malmberg called the meeting to order at 8:00 am and led the opening prayer and flag salute.

Minutes from August 8, 2022 were reviewed. Commissioner Wolf moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Commissioners worked most of Friday on the budget.

Keith Coleman, Facilities Manager reported working at the courthouse, and jail.

Commissioners discussed the Perry/Tally fence. The fence requirement from the commissioners was to have the trees cleared by August 15th. At this time the requirement has not been met. Commissioner Malmberg spoke with Mr. Perry, and he suggested that the trees be removed by September 21, 2021. If not completed by this date, he will hire someone to bulldoze them. Mr. Perry would like to be able to utilize his pasture starting November 1st. Commissioner Malmberg said she would like to have the fence done by October 15th to give enough time in case Mr. Perry needs to get a fence up himself.

Commissioner Malmberg discussed the Sullivan/Moss fence viewing. Malmberg said she went out and looked for the survey marker and couldn't find anything. Commissioner Malmberg would like to talk to the Register of Deeds to see if a survey has been done and filed with their office.

Russ Thornton, County Sheriff gave a prisoner count of Minneapolis City 1, Ottawa County 3, Saline County 15, Sedgwick County 21.

Greg Dockins, Road & Bridge Administrator and Chris Smith, Road Supervisor, talked with commissioners about things the road crews have been doing. They are done working with the City of Minneapolis picking up trees from the storm. They have all the mowers out mowing. Dockins and Smith talked to the commissioners about purchasing an asphalt patcher. Commissioner Malmberg asked Dockins if they are grading dirt roads, Dockins said yes, the crew is out grading. Commissioner Mortimer said he thinks we need to get the township members together and have them discuss what they would like to see with their township roads moving forward. Commissioners decided on a date of December 5th. Commissioners will get a letter together and County Clerk Maddox will mail them out to the townships. Commissioner Malmberg said there are a few pasture entrances that you can't get into because the road is eroded too bad. Dockins said we can look at these issues and see what we can do.

JoDee Copple, Ottawa County Payroll Clerk asked for an executive session, Commissioner Mortimer moved to go into executive session pursuant to non-elected personal. Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Those present were Commissioners and JoDee Copple, Ottawa County Payroll Clerk. The group returned to regular session at 9:44 am. No decision was made.

Commissioners Canvassed the August 2, 2022 Election. All numbers were certified by the board of canvassers.

With no further business before the board Commissioner Mortimer moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:20am. Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

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ADOPTED this 22 day of August 2022.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

Dawn Wolf, Member

D.D. Malmberg, Chairman

Scott Mortimer, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

Heather Maddox, County Clerk