

Ottawa County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

March 28, 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, Vicki Jensen.

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

Those present were Ralph Shank. Ralph asked the commissioners if they had considered videoing the meeting. Ralph was informed that this process was in the works.

Minutes from March 21, 2022 were reviewed. Commissioner Malmberg motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Wolf asked that the agenda be sent by Thursday at noon. There will be an absolute cutoff at Thursday noon to get on the agenda.

Keith Coleman, Facilities Manager reported what he was working on. Keith presented screen options from Arizona Sun Supply for the courthouse windows. The October quote for tinting was over \$40,000, screen would be approximately \$4,000 plus material for the frames, Keith would install. Commissioners recommended that Keith continue to research screens instead of tinting. All commissioners requested products made in USA. Rental of a lift vs purchasing a lift was discussed. Keith will investigate the cost effectiveness of lift purchase. Keith assisted with moving the commissioners' desks, rearranged electrical and network cables and installed 2 lights.

Russ Thornton, County Sheriff gave a prisoner count of Ottawa County 2, Saline County 21, Sedgwick County 26. Russ discussed using LockIt for computer and network support. Commissioner Malmberg asked Russ to gather information to discuss next week and include Kim Winsett & Richard Buck.

Ralph Shanks left the meeting.

Greg Dockins, Road & Bridge Administrator reported cleaning ditches and cutting trees and hauling rock when wet. Frontier & 200th is a blind corner because of the trees, Commissioner Wolf asked if those trees can be removed. Greg received calls from 2 people who are interested in the contract mowing and asked the commissioners how they want to proceed. Greg will invite those interested in contract mowing to the April 18, 2022 commissioners meeting. There was discussion about how many miles of mowing and mowing standards. Greg asked commissioners if they want him to pull motor grader operators to get the CDL or have them drag roads? Commissioner Mortimer told Greg to do what he thinks is best. Greg reported on the Dun & Bradstreet letter, it was determined that no action is needed at this time.

Richard Buck, County Attorney and Ben Belshe joined the meeting. Ben Belshe asked for a resolution, approving the issuance of a liquor license for GBG, LLC d/b/a The Lumberyard, 100 N Main Street, Tescott. Ben discussed their business plans and hours of operation. Commissioner Mortimer motioned to approve Resolution 22-10 approving a liquor license application for GBG, LLC. Commissioner Wolf seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Wolf motioned to take a 5-minute break. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Greg Berendt, Marilyn Talley, Jon Perry and Katie Perry were present to discuss a fencing issue. Commissioners heard comments from all parties. Commissioners will decide on a plan for resolving the dispute and send a letter to both landowners.

Scot Loyd from the Loyd Group was present to discuss budget training and how the county can pay it out of ARPA Funds. Richard Buck, Keith Coleman, Russ Thornton and Tyler VanCoevern joined the meeting. ARPA funds, \$10 million and under can be used for any expense in the General Funds. Commissioners signed the contract to move forward with budget training. Scot discussed how he would set up the training and work with all department

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heads. Scot will be in contact with Vicki Jensen, County Clerk to set up training schedule.

Commissioner Wolf motioned to go into executive session for Attorney Client Privilege. Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Richard Buck, County Attorney. The group returned to regular session at 12:10.

Annie Grevas, 28th Judicial District Community Corrections was rescheduled for next week.

Commissioner Malmberg motioned to move the mower to from the courthouse inventory to the Ottawa County Fair Board inventory, Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Wolf motioned to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Malmberg seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Those present were the commissioners and Richard Buck, County Attorney. The group returned to regular session at 12:32.

With no further business before the board Commissioner Wolf moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:37. Commissioner Mortimer seconded. Motion carried, 3-0.

ADOPTED this 4th day of April 2022.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

Dawn Wolf, Member

D.D. Malmberg, Chairman

Scott Mortimer, Member

ATTEST:

Vicki L. Jensen, County Clerk