

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 4, 2015

Chairman Goff Searl called the meeting of the Chautauqua County Board of Commissioners to order on Monday, May 4, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the courthouse. Commissioner Jack Carpenter and Danny Williams were present as was County Counselor, Ruth Ritthaler and County Clerk Janice A. Fine. Danny Williams opened the meeting with prayer.

Minute's approval: Danny Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of April 30, 2015 with one correction. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioners discussed cemeteries in District 3. Jeremy Hendren, Deputy Appraiser joined the meeting to discuss the cemetery acreage. Hendren will review and bring back any info he can find. Crystal Wade, HR Administrator joined the meeting as observer.

Ruth Ritthaler, County Counselor brought her recommendations for legal representation for Board of Tax Appeals cases. Danny Williams made a motion to retain Montoya. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Doyle Seaman and Cynthia Howser joined the meeting to discuss property. The property in question belongs to a trustee group in Kansas City as they were told. There is a fence across an open road. The request is to have the fence removed from the open road for use. A request for an official fence viewing may be requested after an initial contact with the trustee/foundation of the property.

Jeremy Hendren, Deputy Appraiser brought information to commissioners regarding cemetery ownership.

Crystal Wade, HR Administrator asked commissioners if they had reviewed Lifestyle Insurance. Commissioners agree to not engage a broker for our new employee health insurance contract. Wade provided a travel request to attend open enrollment training so she has all the information for employees.

Carl Eyman with KWORCC joined the meeting to review premium and loss ratio. All aspects of the county employee liability were reviewed. Eyman offered information for on-line classes offered through KWORCC.

Commissioners continued discussion on cemetery boards. Commissioners requested Ruth Ritthaler, County Counselor to send a letter to a cemetery board.

Danny Williams made a motion to adjourn at 10:18 a.m. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Goff Searl, Chairman, First District Commissioner

Danny D. Williams, Second District Commissioner

Jack Carpenter, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

Janice A. Fine, County Clerk