

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 15, 2017

Chairman Jack Carpenter called the regular meeting to order on Monday, May 15, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the Court House. Commissioner Goff Searl, Commissioner Rodney Shaw, County Clerk Niki Collier and County Counselor Ruth Ritthaler were all present. Commissioner Goff Searl opened the meeting with prayer.

Commissioner Shaw made a motion to approve minutes from May 8, 2017. Commissioner Searl gave the second. Motion passed 3-0.

Joel Haden, Road & Bridge Superintendent, reported the crews have spread rock in the following areas; Rd 22 & Lariat, Rd 31 & Gallop, Rd 26 & Independence shortcut, Rd 10 & Heritage, Rd 8 & 166 Hwy. Several culverts around the county have been replaced or repaired because of the recent heavy rains.

Commissioner Carpenter inquired about cemetery clean up in preparation for Memorial Day. Mr. Haden will look into the Commissions concerns.

Ruth Ritthaler, County Counselor, presented the Board with a draft resolution regarding purposed cattle guard on a county road. Commissioners discussed it and asked her to make revisions and bring it to the next meeting.

Susie Wade asked Road & Bridge Superintendent Joel Haden, if he had received information about a culvert with a hole in it near Indian & Rd 22. The sheriff department had informed Mr. Haden.

Courthouse Maintenance Rodger Green updated the Commission on having a light switch repaired in the Health Department. Rodger has contacted several contractors to replace the exterior door on the Health Department.

Commissioner Carpenter made a motion to go into a 15 minute executive session to discuss non-elect personnel with Rodger Green and with County Counselor Ruth Ritthaler present at 9:05 a.m. Commissioner Searl gave the second, motion passed 3-0. Resumed regular session at 9:17 a.m. with no action taken as a result of the executive session.

Christa Maguire presented a proposal for Executime, a time clock software company by video call. In discussion after the presentation, Commissioner Searl asked HR Administrator Crystal Wade if KCAMP might have someone that could train staff on Department of Labor laws & policy. Commissioner Carpenter directed Ms. Wade to draft a memo for the Commission to review, in regards to the expectations of supervisors.

County Attorney Ruth Ritthaler informed the Commission that former Chautauqua County Treasurer, Lisa Hudson has entered a plea agreement with the Attorney General's office in which she plead guilty to a single count of misuse of public funds, a Class A Misdemeanor and was given a controlling sentence, placed on probation, and ordered to pay \$5,000.00 restitution.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned for a 10 minute executive session with County Attorney Ruth Ritthaler for attorney client privilege at 11:37 a.m. Commissioner Searl gave the second, motion passed 3-0. Resumed open meeting at 11:47 a.m. with no action taken.

Motion from Commissioner Carpenter to adjourn the meeting at 11:53 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Shaw, motion passed 3-0.

Goff Searl, First District Commissioner

Rodney Shaw, Second District Commissioner

Jack Carpenter, Chairman, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

Niki Collier, County Clerk