

# CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 20, 2017

Chairman Jack Carpenter called the regular meeting to order on Monday, March 20, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room. Commissioners Goff Searl and Rodney Shaw were present. Also present were County Clerk, Niki Collier and County Counselor, Ruth Ritthaler. Commissioner Goff Searl opened the meeting with prayer.

Commissioner Searl made a motion to approve minutes from March 13, 2017, as presented, Commissioner Shaw gave the second. Motion passed 3-0.

Joel Haden, Road & Bridge Superintendent, reported the crews have spread rock in the following areas; Rd 18 & Valley, Rd 19 & Union, Rd 23 & Saddle, and Rd 6 & Marshall. Culvert work was completed on Rd 6 & Eagle and Rd 12 & Eagle.

Crystal Wade, HR Administrator, brought travel request for approval.

Ruth Ritthaler, County Counselor, discussed the best practices involving executive sessions. Ms. Ritthaler then requested an executive session with the Commission to discuss an ongoing criminal matter. Commissioner Goff Searl moved to recess into a 5 minute executive session with the County Counselor for attorney client privilege. Commissioner Shaw gave the second. Motion passed 3-0  
Resumed open meeting at 9:07, with on action taken as a result of the executive session.

Joe Reed, brought information about the process, through the FCC, to request Wichita TV stations be brought to the area. Commissioners asked Crystal Wade to write a letter to the FCC, requesting both Kansas and Oklahoma stations are made available to Chautauqua County residents.

Linda Kline, Solid Waste, brought her monthly report for the Commission to review.

Amy Goode, Treasurer, requested an executive session for privacy of non-elect personnel. At 9:30 AM Commissioner Searl made the motion for stated 15 minute executive session, seconded by Commissioner Shaw. Motion passed 3-0  
Open meeting resumed at 9:40 with no action taken.  
Mrs. Goode then answered property tax questions for Commissioners and explained that if a person owes any delinquent taxes they may not bid on properties in the tax sale.

Niki Collier, County Clerk, notified the BOCC that the Canvass date for the upcoming April election will be on April 14<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Searl motioned to move the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting to April 14<sup>th</sup>, Commissioner Shaw gave the second. Motion passed 3-0

Commissioner Shaw made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 AM, Commissioner Searl gave the second. Motion passed 3-0.

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Goff Searl, First District Commissioner

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Rodney Shaw, Second District Commissioner

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Jack Carpenter, Chairman, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Niki Collier, County Clerk