

# **CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

July 3, 2017

Chairman Jack Carpenter called the regular meeting to order on Monday, July 3, 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 Friday June 30, 2017. Commissioner Searl gave the second. Motion passed 3-0.

Kathy Sanders, from Road & Bridge department joined the meeting and discussed the Connecting Link with the Commissioners. Commissioner Shaw made a motion to resend the previous motion made on Friday, June 30, 2017 to hold the Connecting Link checks for the City of Peru and the City of Cedar Vale due to delinquent taxes. Commissioner Searl gave the second. Motion passed 3-0.

Joel Haden, Road & Bridge Superintendent, crews has added rock to several locations, installed culverts, and made repair to a low water crossing. Joel requested permission to purchase a used analyzer for large equipment that cost \$1,500.00. Commissioner Carpenter asked if that included a warranty and it was agreed that Joel would get additional information regarding a warranty and report back to the commissioners.

Commissioner Carpenter requested that work be completed on a ditch located near Rd 30 & Cowboy. Commissioner Searl stated that at Road 7 and Kansas there are concerns with the ditch being washed out and causing damage to the surrounding land. Steve Steinbach joined the discussion and stated this has been a problem for several years and he feels the road is being overworked and that is causing the water to runoff and damage his fence. He request the Commissioners to come and observe the road.

Joel stated he talked to his employee regarding the citizens concern and the employee denied fishing during his work day. He stated that he does eat lunch on the pier and he does fish there in his personal white truck that also has tools in the back. Joel said he believed the employee.

Commissioner Carpenter stated that Linda Kline, asked the Commissioners to consider adding a magnet to the road grader in an effort to pick up objects that lead to tire damage. Joel will look obtain information and pricing and report back to the commissioners.

At 9:20 A.M. Commissioner Carpenter made a motion to recess the meeting until 11:00 am to allow the Commissioners and Joel Haden, Road & Bridge Superintendent to go observe Road 7 and Kansas. Commissioner Goff gave the second and the motion passed 3-0. At 10:50 A.M. Commissioner Searl made a motion to reconvene, Commissioner Shaw gave the second and the motion carried 3-0. The regular meeting resumed, no action was taken. A

discussion regarding the observation will be held at the next scheduled meeting. Motion from Commissioner Shaw to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Carpenter, 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

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Niki Collier, County Clerk