

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 2, 2017

Chairman Jack Carpenter called the regular meeting to order on Monday, October 2, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the Court House. Commissioner Goff Searl, Commissioner Rodney Shaw, County Clerk Niki Collier, County Counselor Ruth Ritthaler and Deputy Clerk Becky Smilko were all present. Commissioner Goff Searl opened the meeting with prayer.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to approve the minutes of September 29, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Shaw gave the second, motion passed 3-0.

Road & Bridge Superintendent Joel Haden provided the weekly update on road maintenance. Commissioner Carpenter asked Mr. Haden to clarify which portion of road at the county line is maintained by Chautauqua County and which is maintained by Montgomery and Elk County. Joel identified the roads on the county map. Commissioner Searl stated a citizens brought to his attention a concern with Rd. 8 near highway 166 and Mr. Haden stated he would go observe the road.

Commissioner Shaw inquired about the possible need for a stop sign at a rural intersection. Counselor Ritthaler stated that signage should be consistent with other similar intersections for liability purposes. Mr. Haden will contact Norm Bowers with Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) for direction on the matter. Commissioner Shaw also requested Mr. Haden review Redbud lane and make needed repairs.

Commissioner Carpenter informed Counselor Ritthaler of the terms of conditions regarding sale of the Cedar Vale properties and requested a contract be drafted. Counselor Ritthaler requested the measurements in order to specify the easement in the contract.

HR Administrator Crystal Wade then requested signatures for approval of longevity raises.

Road & Bridge Superintendent Joel Haden rejoined the meeting after a phone discussion with Norm Bowers. Joel stated that Mr. Bowers said most county roads across the state that have low volume of travel do not have signs. Mr. Bowers recommended if the Commission chooses to implement a change from that standard, they may want to consider doing it by way of resolution.

Commissioner Searl moved for a 45 minute recess, to return at 10:00 AM for the Solid Waste Delinquency Hearing. Commissioner Shaw gave the second. Motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Carpenter opened the Solid Waste Delinquency Hearing at 10:00 AM. Linda Kline and Emily Wark from Solid Waste Department were in attendance and citizens present for the hearing were Bobby Burns, Miqueline Haden, Dallas Myers, Karen Beshears and Greg Joslin. The citizens addressed the Commission. Commissioner Shaw moved to accept the delinquent list with changes, Commissioner Searl gave the second. Motions passed 3-0.

Commissioner Carpenter moved to close the Delinquency Hearing at 11:00 AM, Commissioner Shaw gave the second. Motion passed 3-0. The regular meeting resumed at 11:01 AM.

Commissioner Carpenter stated to Linda Kline that a new "No Trespassing" sign is needed at the landfill.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Searl, 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