

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 31, 2017

Chairman Jack Carpenter called the regular meeting to order on Monday, October 31, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the Court House. Commissioner Rodney Shaw, County Clerk Niki Collier, and Deputy Clerk Becky Smilko were all present. Commissioner Carpenter reminded those present that Commissioner Searl had previously stated he would not be able to attend today's meeting.

Commissioner Shaw motioned to approve the minutes of October 23, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Carpenter gave the second, motion passed 2-0.

Road & Bridge Superintendent Joel Haden provided the weekly update on road maintenance. The Independence short cut had several repairs, an electrician was called for the breaker box at the shop and the shop overhead crane was need of some repairs. Mr. Haden requested that the repairs for the overhead crane come out of the Building Fund and the Commissioners approved it.

Joel stated he would like to advertise the Tire Mechanic position and have a new hire start in mid-December. Commissioner Carpenter stated that the Stevenson's were ready for the fence line to be worked on. Joel reported that the road magnet will be placed on the Noxious Weed truck.

County Counselor questioned if there would be any further need to consider the request to vacate a portion of Road 21 near Heritage Rd. made by Blain Burn. Commissioner Shaw stated as far as he was concerned since the person that made the request does not own property on the road and another owner is opposed to the road being closed, at this time there is no reason to continue to consider that request. Counselor Ritthaler suggested that in the future an application process be put in place for anyone requesting a road be closed. The Board agreed.

Counselor Ritthaler request a 10 minute executive session to discuss a pending legal matter for attorney client privilege. At 8:43 a.m. Commissioner Carpenter moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney client privilege, Commissioner Shaw gave the second and the motion passed 2-0. The regular meeting resumed at 8:53 a.m., no action taken as a result of the executive session.

HR Administrator Crystal Wade presented travel request for approval and one application for County Counselor. She stated she would like to discuss the Employee Handbook next week and asked the Commission to consider what they would like the starting pay to be for the new Maintenance Supervisor.

Zoe Newton joined the meeting and introduced herself to the Commission and expressed her interest in the posted position of County Counselor. The Commission invited her back for

an interview, and requested that Crystal Wade join the meeting. November 6, 2017 was scheduled for interviews.

Commissioners reviewed and approved the mid-month expenditures for September 2017 as follows:

General Fund	\$28,695.08
Equipment Reserve Fund	\$824.88
Appraiser	\$2,626.46
Election	\$81.31
Health	\$7,996.88
Noxious Weed	\$232.33
Road & Bridge	\$7,877.36
Special Bridge	\$1,050.00
County 911	\$776.52
Solid Waste	\$2,682.63
Prosecutor & Training Assistance	\$160.00

TOTAL Expenditures **\$53,003.45**

Commissioner Shaw motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Carpenter, motion passed 2-0.

Goff Searl, First District Commissioner

Rodney Shaw, Second District Commissioner

Jack Carpenter, Chairman, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

Niki Collier, County Clerk