

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 31, 2018

Chairman Rodney Shaw called the regular meeting to order on May 31, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the Court House. Commissioner Jack Carpenter, Commissioner Goff Searl, Clerk Niki Collier, Deputy Clerk Becky Smilko and County Counselor Zoe Newton were all present. Commissioner Goff Searl opened the meeting with prayer.

Commissioner Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of Monday, May 21, 2018. Commissioner Searl gave the second and the motion passed 3-0.

Road & Bridge Superintendent Joel Haden informed the Board that rock has been spread at the following locations; Rd. 30 & Ranch, Rd. 22 & Dalton, Bronco between Rd. 22 & Rd. 24, Rd. 27 & Union, Rd. 32 & Junction, Rd. 3 & Heritage, Rd. 2 & Nation and Rd. 6 & Marshall. Mr. Haden met with KDOT about bridge inspections and the load limit has been changed on four bridges to comply with KDOT requests.

Mr. Haden advised after reviewing the road damage fund, most of \$52000 is a result of several years' worth of roadcut deposits and permits. A majority of it will be refunded to companies and a portion will be retained as the county incurred expenses beyond the company deposit for road repairs. Mrs. Collier advised that supporting documents will be needed in order to move that amount to a useable fund.

Commissioner Carpenter requested that buck brush be tended to on Rd. 26.

County Counselor Zoe Newton presented response letters for review regarding two KDHE complaints. Mrs. Newton advised the Board since the County has not adopted the State of Kansas regulations on septic and sewage, the County has no authority to administer state statute. After review, the Board asked that the letters be sent to all the parties involved.

Health Department Administrator Annie Blankinship advised that she has begun the interview process to hire a nurse. When candidates are chosen Mrs. Blankinship will present to the Board. Mrs. Blankinship provided information on county rankings within the state and the regular health department report. At Mrs. Blankinship's request, Commissioner Carpenter moved to go into an executive session to discuss non-elect personnel to maintain the privacy of the personnel for no more than 15 minutes, Commissioner Searl gave the second. The motion passed 3-0 at 9:10 a.m.

The open meeting resumed at 9:25 a.m.

A 5 minute recess was requested at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 9:35 a.m.

HR Administrator Crystal Wade joined with USI Insurance Consultants Josh Turner & Trent Nicholas for a health insurance presentation. After the presentation, the Board tabled the discussion to take it up at a later date.

County Clerk Niki Collier provided the KU Chancellors report and reminded that the Senior Citizen Day dinner is June 9th if any of the Board would like to attend.

Appraiser Jeremy Hendren presented this year's contract with McCully & Associates for signatures. Commissioner Searl asked if Mrs. Newton had seen the document? Mrs. Newton stated she had not. After discussion the Board signed the contract.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Searl, motion passed 3-0.

Goff Searl, First District Commissioner

Rodney Shaw, Chairman, Second District Commissioner

Jack Carpenter, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

Niki Collier, County Clerk