

# **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

August 11, 2014

Chairman Danny Williams called the meeting of the Chautauqua County Board of Commissioners to order on Monday, August 11, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the courthouse. Commissioners Goff Searl and Jack Carpenter were present as was County Counselor Larry King and County Clerk Janice A. Fine. Chairman Danny Williams opened the meeting with prayer.

Chairman Williams recessed the regular meeting at 8:30 a.m. to open the Board of Canvass meeting.

Chairman Williams called the regular meeting back in session at 8:35 a.m.

Lisa Hudson, Treasurer, joined the meeting as observer.

Minute's approval: Goff Searl made a motion to approve the minutes of August 6, 2014 as presented. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Minute's approval: Goff Searl made a motion to approve the Public Meeting for the Tax Abatement Program minutes of August 6, 2014 as presented. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Williams made a motion to go into executive session with Larry King, County Counselor for 10 minutes at 8:36 a.m. regarding attorney/client privilege. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. 8:36 a.m. Chairman Williams called the regular meeting back in session at 8:46 a.m. No action taken. Chairman Williams made a motion to go back into executive session for 5 minutes at 8:46 a.m. with King present. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Chairman Williams called the regular meeting back in session at 8:51 a.m. No action was taken.

Rodney Burns, County Auditor, joined the meeting to discuss department budgets for 2015. Tim Nordell joined the meeting as observer. Elroy Smith and Gary Alexander joined the meeting as observers. Commissioners discussed specific budgets and worked with Burns to modify requests to meet county expectations. Ro Adams joined the meeting as observer. Modifications were requested and Burns made the edits and returned to the meeting. Amy Goode, Deputy Treasurer joined the meeting as observer. Donna and Joe Reed joined the meeting as observers.

Heath Lampson called to reschedule his meeting with commissioners for August 19, 2014. Commissioners discussed that the prior Emergency Management Coordinator had brought general information to commissioners regarding a mitigation plan as it was a state requirement of the Emergency Management department.

Janice Fine, County Clerk, brought the following to commissioners: 1) General discussion regarding the elections held on August 5, 2014. 2) Jodi Abbington sent an official letter requesting Annie Blankinship be appointed to the Housing Board.

Clerk's Office faxed a copy of approved minutes reflecting the commissioner's appointment. 3) Notified commissioners that Rennata Kubit, Emergency Management Coordinator was taking donations to help the family of Walt Wigton with medical bills. 4) Notified commissioners that inaccurate information had been printed in the Cedar Vale Lookout and that a correction will be in the following week's paper. 5) Notified commissioners regarding an accounts payable incident. Fine asked commissioners opinion on moving all accounts payable to the clerk's office. Fine stated she did not know what negative impacts it would have on the Road & Bridge Department. Commissioners asked to speak with Cathy Rinck, Road and Bridge Office Manager for her opinion. Rinck joined the meeting and discussed her concerns regarding any change to the process. Commissioners asked that things remain as they currently are and they will review later if necessary. Fine thanked commissioners for their consideration.

Larry King, County Counselor prepared a resolution authorizing a tax foreclosure proceeding. Goff Searl made a motion to approve resolution 2014-08 authorizing a tax foreclosure proceeding. Jack Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Rodney Burns, County Auditor presented the commissioners with the final budget information for their review. Jack Carpenter made a motion to approve the 2015 budget as presented. Goff Searl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Proposed budget is to be printed in the official county paper and the public notified that budget hearing will be scheduled for August 29, 2014.

Jack Carpenter made a motion to adjourn at 10:35 a.m. Goff Searl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

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Goff Searl, First District Commissioner

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Danny D. Williams, Chairman, Second District Commissioner

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Jack Carpenter, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

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County Clerk, Janice A. Fine