

MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF ONEIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and then a prayer led by Commissioner Stokes.

The propane bids for the 2019 calendar year were opened. Valley Wide propane and Direct Propane were the two companies placing bids. Valley Wide placed a bid of \$.30 cents over the rack price and Direct Propane placed a bid of \$.25 cents over the rack price. Valley Wide also placed a second bid of \$1.24 dollars per gallon without change for the full year. Question was raised regarding the second bid from Valley Wide. Where the county asked for a rack price plus bid, and where no other companies were given the opportunity to place a set price, it was determined that the second bid from Valley Wide could not be considered.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the Direct Propane Bid of \$.25 cents per gallon over rack price for the 2019 calendar year.

Commissioner Stokes seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

The annual Road and Street financial report was presented for review. Commissioner Daniels asked if it had been changed from the electronic version they had reviewed previously. The copy for signature was the same report.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the annual Road and Street financial report as submitted.

Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried.

STP rural funding grant – This grant opportunity is for about two million dollars for improvements on approximately three miles of road starting at the Power County line traveling south towards Holbrook. The grant requires a match from the county of approximately \$147,000.0 dollars and can be in the form of in-kind work towards the project. Because of the requirement for a match it is also necessary for the commissioners to pass a resolution agreeing to the match.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve resolution 2018-12-01 for the acceptance of the \$147,000.00 dollars of county match for the STP rural grant application.

Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

Nathan Cleaver of Keller Associates engineering, participated in the meeting via telephone. He explained the rural grant or Local Federal Aid grant as he called it. It was noted that the grant award could reach 2.8 million and that the county match would be at the rate of 7.34 percent of the total award.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve the request for the Local Federal Aid grant to help rebuild three miles for road from the Power County line south towards Holbrook.

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

Commissioner Daniels indicated that the possible increase in the grant award could increase the county match above what the previous resolution stated. She recommended a seconded resolution to more accurately state the agreement for local funding.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve a resolution, #2018-12-02, to accept the terms of the STP rural funding grant requirement of 7.34 percent county match and to supersede Resolution #2018-12-01 which had a defined county match amount.

Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried. The commissioners asked that their signature stamps be used to sign the seconded resolution.

Transportation plan – Road and Bridge made updates to the transportation plan after the required review.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the updates to the transportation plan. Commissioner Stokes seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

Overweight permits – Hess Pumice has applied for a renewal of four permits that allow their trucks to carry 129,000 pounds on the county road from Wrights Creek mine to the industrial park. The 129,000-pound allowance requires more axles as well as other requirements as directed by the State.

Commissioner Firth made the motion to approve the renewal of the four overweight permits for Hess Pumice.

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

Fair Board reorganization – Commissioner Firth reported that three members of the board were completing their current terms and that new members would need to be found. The three members leaving are Jared Brown, Allison Eliason and Cody Carter. The proposed new members are Michelle Parker, Harry Sherman and Jason Van Bebber.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve Michelle Parker, Harry Sherman and Jason Van Bebber as new members on the Fair Board to replace outgoing members.

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

It was noted that the Hospital board will need to reorganize at the first of the New Year.

Rocky Mountain Power franchise agreement – It was determined that if a one percent fee on the franchise agreement is requested that it could amount to about \$60,000.00 dollars. Commissioner Stokes voiced opposition to the fee. Commissioner Firth had serious concerns about using the franchise agreement as a revenue source indicating that it would be passed on to the citizens with the farmers and businesses paying the bulk of the cost. Further discussion was held regarding which length of time would be best. Rocky Mountain Power would like a 20-year agreement however Commissioner Daniels suggested that a 10-year agreement might be better.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve Ordinance #2018-12-01 for the purpose of signing a franchise agreement with Rocky Mountain Power with the stipulation that there is no fee added. The term of this agreement will be 10 years.

Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

One building permit for Earl Brooks was presented. The permit for an agricultural building will be located at 1716 South and 4700 West.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the agricultural building permit request by Earl Brooks.

Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

The claims and meeting minutes were reviewed.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the claims for payment as submitted.

Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from December 10th, and December 12th, as written.

Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried.

Judge David Hooste spoke with the commissioners regarding drug court treatment plans and the possibility of a district 6 treatment center. The commissioners were informed that a new treatment provider has been found however they are in need of a place to meet and it was suggested that an MOU be signed whereby the county would provide meeting space for a short period of time.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to sign an MOU to provide space for drug court treatment.

Commissioner Stokes seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

(Attorney Brower will draw up an MOU and commissioner asked that their signature stamps be used to sign the document.)

ISP grant – the sheriff has been awarded a grant that will assist in limiting or tracking drug and alcohol use for the purpose of curbing the use of drugs among the youth. The \$4,500.00 dollars will be used for some equipment and overtime of his deputies as they work on this effort.

Commissioner Firth made the motion to approve and accept the ISP grant for the sheriff's office.

Commissioner Stokes seconded and the motion carried. All commissioners were in favor.

Commissioner Firth made the motion to move into an executive session per IC 74-206 (1)(b)(d).

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to deny medical indigent case #10-2019 10011 due to non cooperation by the patient.

Commissioner Stokes seconded and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.



BILL LEWIS, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk