

## Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2018

Commissioner Dudenhoeffer at 8:35 AM in EOC.

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

District 1 Commissioner John Glavin present.

District 2 Commissioner Larry Kliethermes present.

County Clerk Patrick Steele on duty.

Media was represented by Jerri Voss.

Present for all or part of the meeting were: Mark Voss, Sheriff Bonham, Randy Atkin, Andy Rice, Doris Keilholz, Arlen and Kay Schwinke, and Jerry Bryan.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Agenda was approved.

**Minutes:** Minutes of February 6, 2018 were reviewed and approved.

### **Bills and Communications:**

Checks for payment of approved invoices were signed for disbursement.

CCAM Legislative Report was provided to the Commissioners.

County Clerk reported that Stopp & VanHoy have been contracted by the State Auditor to do our financial audit for 2018.

Extension Council meeting is set for Feb. 27, 2018. 6PM for socializing and dinner and program at 7PM.

County Clerk reported that he had responded to an inquiry from the Attorney General's Office re Dishman candidacy in 2016.

January Sales Tax Reports were provided and income was up significantly. First submittal received on the Capital Improvement Sales Tax.

### **Meetings:**

Arlen and Kay Schwinke from Agricultural Tourism reported to the Commission that the organization is in the process of transition. They provided information on how much has been done by the Agritourism Council since it founding in 2003. Established and maintain a website; organized 24 Be a Tourist in Your Own County Tours, Taste of Osage County, and many other activities showcasing Osage County. The Council is seeking individuals in the County that will accept responsibility of attending 4 meetings a year and agree to take a turn as an officer. The Council will continue the Be a Tourist in Your Own County Tours and continue to maintain and update the website. The Commissioners thanked them for all that they have done for the County and hopes the transition goes well.

### **Old Business:**

**Road and Bridge Items:** Randy Atkin reported that <sup>an employee</sup> [redacted] fell on the ice and broke his wrist and was taken to the Emergency Room. He was given the information about the new Workers Comp procedure and the reports were prepared.

He also reported that Truck#47, the 2008 Ford Cinder Spreader slid on the ice and off the road and hit a tree. The blade is in bad shape, as is the bed and some body damage. He felt that the spreader may be repairable. Reports have been filed with Naught-Naught.

### **New BRO Project, CR 531:**

Commissioner Kliethermes reported that the State had requested a copy of the Floodplain Permit. The engineers also told him that the SHPO would not require the archeological survey on the site. Commissioner Kliethermes had supplied details of guardrails for the bridge, as we have used on other projects but was told that it was not up to current code. It is possible that this guard rail will be approved for use on a county road. It may also be able to be strengthened to meet code if needed.

**Follow-up on Loose Creek Meeting:** There were several positive comments about the letter to the editor about the Loose Creek issue.

**Salary Proposal from Ad Hoc Committee:** Doris Kielholz and Andy Rice presented the revised pay scale to the Commissioners. They have reworked the raises to be given on anniversary dates and have corrected salaries on the Spreadsheet. County Clerk Steele did report an error in listing of starting salary for Theresa Walter and that was corrected. No official action was taken by the Commission.

**Update on MAGIC insurance with Cox:** Cards have been received.

**New Business:**

Sheriff Bonham again presented his Law Enforcement Restitution Fund proposal to the Commissioners. He reported that General Revenue goes to the school funds. He said the Restitution Fund will benefit the taxpayers as it will provide funds for expenses needed in investigation and processing of cases. Both Commissioners Kliethermes and Glavin reported that other Commissioners that have such a fund have no problems with it and it seems to work well. It was pointed out that this is not a typical discretionary fund but one that is managed by a Board of Trustees that are selected by the Commissioners (2), the Sheriff (2), and the Coroner (1). Commissioner Glavin made the motion to adopt the Law Enforcement Restitution Fund by ordinance and to assign the Trustees as mandated. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes and was carried with three ayes in the roll call vote. County Clerk Steele will prepare the ordinance for approval and the appointment of the Trustees.

**Departmental Reports:**

Sheriff Bonham reported that there was a bad house fire in Chamois over the weekend that killed two children. The cause of the fire is still undetermined but it appears to be related to a wood stove. Four survived.

County Clerk Steele reported that Theresa Walter was back at work. He also stated that the family devastated by the fire were relatives of Theresa.

April ballot order has been submitted. Absentee voting for the April election begins on February 20, 2018. First day for candidate filing for the August 7, 2018 Primary Election is February ~~7~~, 2018.

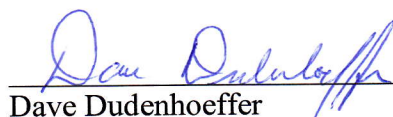
**Public Comments:**

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**Other:**

**Adjournment:**

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Glavin, Seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:43 AM.



Dave Dudenhoefter  
Presiding Commissioner