

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

October 12th, 2021

8:30am

Meeting called to order by Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin

Eastern District Commissioner John Trenshaw present

Western District Commissioner Larry Kliethermes present

Media – HB Dodds

Commission Clerk – Brooke Dudenhoeffer

Present for all or part of the meeting: Ron Kempker, Sheriff Mike Bonham, Kim Sallin, Ron Hoffman, Craig Campeotto, Preston Kremer, Bonnie Prigge, Anne Freand,

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

-Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda October 12, 2021 and the meeting minutes for October 5, 2021. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to approve the agenda and the previous meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Trenshaw. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Kliethermes, Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.

-Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of October 7, 2021 CLOSED meeting minutes. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to approve the CLOSED meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Trenshaw. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Kliethermes, Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.

Meetings:

-October 13, 2021 Salary Commission Meeting

-October 16, 2021 Electronic/Drug collection- more info to come at Linn Lion's Club

-October 16, 2021 Taste of Osage County

-October 19, 2021 6:00pm MU Extension Council meeting

-October 21, 2021 Western District Commission Meeting- NO COMMISSION MEETING

-October 21, 2021 5:00pm MRPC Dinner at State Tech

Bills, Notes and Communication:

-Commissioner Griffin asked HB Dodds if he had received the notice of the motion to purchase Popcorn Buddha for the sole purpose of bettering the Health Department. Dodds said yes, Dudenhoeffer sent it to me.

-Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion to approve and pay bills. Commissioner Kliethermes made the motion to approve and pay bills, seconded by Commissioner Trenshaw. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Kliethermes, Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.

-Craig Campeotto brought the sealed acceptance letter of \$200,000.00 offer to purchase the Popcorn Buddha Building. Commissioners signed the buyers contracted dated as of today October 12, 2021 along with Mr. Campeotto. Buyer and Seller both were given copies of all documentation.

-Commissioner Griffin is aware of the Maries Co Ambulance ARPA Funds request. The ambulance district has been notified that the funds are not available to be distributed yet. Yet alone an application has not been released.

Road and Bridge:

-Locate signs are not up yet for bridge on 611.

-Safety meeting went well on Friday. Upcoming job duties and winter prep were topics of discussion.

-Westphalia maintenance is running a little bit behind but we are working on it.

-Kempker noted that he will attempt to get the adjacent annex building employee parking lot worked on as soon as possible.

-County road 303 had a dead tree that was cut down by a resident. Commissioner Griffin noted that Kempker wouldn't have to worry about getting to that.

Health Dept.:

-Sallin offered flu shots to the commissioners.

-11 active COVID cases, one additional death, 2 hospitalized.

-153 flu vaccine last week, 1 case reported this week to a total of 2 thus far.

-Flu clinic today and multiple clinics within the week.

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-Sallin is now aware of the November 9, 2021 tentative date to close on the building. Commissioner Kliethermes has contacted Porter, Berendzen and Associates, they are coming sometime to look at the building for a layout.

911:

-Hoffman is getting email back on-line and PRO-QA

-Generator is only getting inspection this fall. Resuming oil changes in the spring.

-Key codes are set up, but Hoffman is trying to figure out how to set the open and closing of the auto locks.

Sheriff:

-Sheriff Bonham asked if the commission knew of any bridge closings. Highway U bridge by Propst would be one in question as it could/would hinder the flow of sheriff and 911/EMS operations. Commissioners were unaware of any but would ask MRPC as they are coming today to speak on road projects.

New Business:

-Ms. Freand, TAC planning manager, passed out the Multimodal List for FY22 and the revised FY20 Transportation Needs. Ms. Prigge aims to update the previous needs and some upcoming needs. Preston went over the current list and advised adding/taking off some projects. Preston opened the floor to the commission to add anything to the list they think the county needs. Ms. Prigge wants to see if or how we as a county could get some soft match grant money to help cover some of the projects on the list. Commissioner Trenshaw mentioned concerns of the affordability of a potential bypass. Commissioner Griffin mentioned the concerns of other cities along Highway 63 and their uninterest in a bypass. Commissioners would like to see some projects moved up the list such as; turn lanes on highway 63, raise the road on highway E, Route E/Hwy 63 road improvements with passing lanes north of Freeburg: in this order. Top priorities of the Multimodal list for commissioners are; Additional pedestrian facilities between downtown Linn and State Technical College and pedestrian facilities near school/Main street in Loose Creek and Westphalia. Ms. Prigge said at the December TAC meeting is when counties will present their projects and then approvals by the TAC board will come after that.

Old Business:

Adjournment:

-The commission meeting adjourned at 11:30. Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Trenshaw made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Trenshaw, Commissioner Kliethermes and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.


Darryl Griffin
Presiding Commissioner