

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2020

Meeting called to order by Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin at 8:40 AM

District 1 Commissioner John Glavin present

District 2 Commissioner Larry Kliethermes present

Media – HB Dodds

Front Desk Clerk –

Present for all or part of the meeting: Susan Long, John Kennedy, Valerie Prater, Jerry Baker

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and meeting minutes from May 26th, 2020. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to approve the agenda and the meeting minutes. Commissioner Glavin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was then taken. Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how do you vote?" Commissioner Glavin responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Kliethermes how do you vote?" Commissioner Kliethermes responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Griffin how do you vote?" Commissioner Griffin responded "yes."

Bills, Notes and Communication:

Meetings:

-General Municipal Election June 2nd, 2020

Road and Bridge:

-Valerie Prater presented the commission with the notice of award for the BRO-75 bridge project for signature.

-Commissioner Glavin said they will not start on the 274A county bridge until 100 is done.

-Commissioner Kliethermes said he received a notice from the engineers on CR631 where they had to clear up something with fish and wildlife. They are getting close to getting easements on that one. Still planning on getting that one going by fall.

Health Department:

-Susan Long presented the commission with the phase 2 advisory. Long said we were hoping the governor's office had a timeframe before this was done, they are coming out at 3pm. This is tentative basically for 2 weeks through June 16th, 2020. So, if this needs to be extended for another week, we can do that. Basically, I took a few things out and expanded some like capacities and not playing on playground equipment in place for now. Added a paragraph on page 12 before the signatures regarding people taking responsibility. Reminding we will go after because the state won't enforce the law. If something is legitimate, I will take to the prosecuting attorneys office. The administrator of the Osage County Health Department finding it necessary to protect public health and prevent the further spread of Covid 19 pursuant to the authority granted under section 192.020, RSMo, and 19CSR 20-20.040, hereby order that Osage County will follow the order set forth by Director Williams and extended by Governor Parsons. Page 3 pertaining to Linn and the timeframe for phase 2. If you are comfortable signing before. The changes do not affect the signature page or I can call later this afternoon. Commissioner Kliethermes said this order will start June 1st, 2020 12:01am and in effect until when. Long said I haven't gotten from the state yet. Have to change the date on front page too. Have the date as June 16th just to put a date down. Kliethermes said listening to talk from the weekend and all of the people gathered at the lake. There is a mixed reaction to it. It's good putting something in there stating the importance of the danger of this. Long said businesses called during stay at home order and the penalty was 1 year in jail or a \$2000.00 fine. Until people heard that it wasn't sinking in. Amanda has been positive with this. I can check emails from home to get reports but if we don't get out fast enough there is nothing we can do. All we can report is what we see when we are there. I am debating about getting a disposable cell phone which we would share. People calling to report and catch people in the act. Also, if we see a violation and they are not standing down I want to know law enforcement will stand fast. I do not want to put myself or staff in situation that's not safe. Another meeting with Richard, Mike, Andi, us and Amanda together to discuss what is best. This goes into effect Monday. The weekends are going to be our biggest problem, and after hours. Commissioner Griffin said it would be a good idea to have a meeting with all the different agencies. When I saw the Miller County Sheriff say there's no way to enforce it. Didn't they put some type of order in place where the prosecutor had the authority. Long said the governor unfortunately is leaving this with no direction. People looking at 1 year in jail is minimal and the \$2000.00 fine not a big deal. How would you arrest that many people? Griffin said could he be subject to losing his business license? Long said all I could do is send it to the state. From there if it were pursued further that's their job to follow up. As a healthcare authority I can make the recommendation but I don't have the authority past that. Commissioner Griffin said is this order we are signing is an advisory not an order. Long said it is an advisory. The one we had in place this past month a lot of people did what was right. The fact that we didn't have any more cases speaks volumes. Getting significant reports of negative tests coming through. People still being tested. I was tested on Friday because of taste and smell. It was from the antibiotics I was on. Didn't feel I was high risk, but took the test and I was negative. It boils down to this is an advisory not an order. What the governor is signing is an order. That's why I am trying to stay close to matching dates and things like that. There was confusion in Cole County when Kristy released theirs early but still had to follow the governors order. To me lets keep it simple. That's why I asked the 2nd paragraph on page 3 matches. We have people coming into this county and is important to have consistency. Local control is best. I would be glad to call a meeting and be on the same page. I don't want to shut a business down.

They are paying taxes. The same time though there needs to be responsibility on everyone's part. I know they need to make money but still protect their patrons. We go out and remind them what's going on. When Tessa does her inspections its not with the intent to shut them down. My job is to keep these businesses in business and patrons safe. Its not just the county residents but visitors also. Kliethermes said saw on the news last night the business owner at the lake he commented we gotta do what we gotta do. He said he was hoping this presentation would help bring bigger crowds. Questioning if coming to visit Missouri from another state if they had to self-quarantine. Long said that's the way its supposed to be. You are supposed to quarantine both ways. Getting reports yesterday about daycare parents. I met with the parochial school yesterday and Tuesday with Linn R2. I've been in touch with Chamois asking parents get vacations over 2 weeks before school starts. Don't come back the day before. Get kids shots 2 weeks before school starts. Be responsible citizens. No one should catch this with being careless. Kliethermes asked is there any testing being done in Osage County itself. Long said our office has done 2 on first responders. Sent to the state lab. Can do that on an individual basis. Can do test outside. The HVAC system in the building could potentially expose everyone in the building. Over the weekend I heard from my supplier that there are tests available for me. Kliethermes said I saw something on reporting tests separately and not together. Long said PCR is checking DNA which is the nasal swab test, the current gold star method. Then there is the antibody test which is a blood test. That one 50% are inaccurate. With the tests available 12 approved tentatively by the FDA. Abbot testing put 13 machines around the state, saying 97% are accurate. Antigen test not as accurate. I am not going to use anything that is not approved because it will be useless. Antigen is less expensive. Antibody will tell you whether you have antibodies or not. Won't tell you is you have the disease. Doesn't tell you if you are actually immune or not. They haven't established the levels. Seems more like a screening to me. Griffin asked what is the test you see Boone or Cole County using for the drive through. Long said sentinel testing is making an appointment. Griffin said is that the drive through one. Long said yes. Griffin said what if you are out of the county. Long said you can go to Capital Region. Boone is sentinel test and they want you to have an appointment for drive through. Griffin said channel 13 reported and showed there were cars lined up. Long said they have been doing testing all along. Boone was letting more people come through without a doctor's order. Sentinel you won't need to have an appointment. Long said I will be glad to set up a meeting with Amanda, law enforcement and Andi to discuss signing this advisory. My only thing is the paragraph. Commissioner Glavin said can we sign it then amend it. Long said and the date changes on different pages. Griffin said we are not changing anything on the advisory portion. Long said no we can be stricter in the advisory than the state. Griffin said not changing any of the advisory recommendations only the date. Long said I don't see changing any of the advisory, only what is in red. Griffin said I have no problem signing it. Glavin said I don't either. Like I said something comes up we can amend it. Long said I can take the paragraph out. June 16th, 2020 is on a Tuesday. We can extend it if we need to. Kliethermes said I think having a meeting with other people would be good because even though this is an advisory, I feel we need the support of the other people and agencies that way they don't just ignore it and they feel involved. Wanting to stay clear as much as possible. Talk to them and say we appreciate your help in trying to enforce it. Long said I will set up a meeting. If I can get it for tomorrow will that work? Griffin said tomorrow is fine with me. Glavin said if we are meeting tomorrow vote on it then. Long said I will see what I can get together. Griffin said will need to post 24 hours in advance. Better get it out that we are having a meeting. Glavin said post it now. Long said I think I can get it done. We will see what the governor says too. I will be doing a Facebook live. Griffin said are we going to sign it today and change the dates or having a meeting to vote on it? Long said Amanda will be the trickiest one. Glavin said if you are having a meeting you need 24 hours' notice. Regardless if you vote or not. Griffin said what time for the meeting 10:00 or 11:00? Glavin said 10:00 would be good. Long said I will go down and work on now. Kliethermes said as long as the 3 of us are here. Griffin said better get it out there then. We don't want anyone to call foul.

-Susan Long said I also had an email from Bonnie with Meramec Planning Commission about the CARES Act funding. Am I supposed to get this stuff to them? Commissioner Griffin said yes please. They are the go-to person and facilitate everything. They will go through and see who is eligible and not eligible. Will get information back to the commission. The final decision is here. Long said ok I just wanted to make sure. The last I heard it was supposed to go through Andi. Griffin said county will come first and small business request will come later. Commissioner Kliethermes said that's my understanding. With MRPC doing it they should be better informed with the counties and be more consistent. Griffin said there will be a news release coming up. Can get a form from us or do online is my understanding.

-Susan Long said I met with schools yesterday. They are having summer school and discussed the fall. They have concerns, one is if a student or teacher is positive how long would they need to be closed. Met with Dena Smith on Tuesday and spoke with Chamois school today. They are getting a contingency plan going with not know how this will go.

-Susan Long said the foot clinic is today. We have spaced out appointments. Have tentatively resume this.

-Susan Long said the pregnancy help center van is once monthly from 10-2. The schedule so far is July 21, August 18, and September 15 so far. They will set up on the west side of the square. Commissioner Griffin said he noticed the construction. Long said I saw that too. We will adjust if we need to.

Assessor's Office:

-Jerry Baker came into the meeting and said for the CARES reimbursement do we need anything from individuals. Commissioner Griffin said receipts and the form. Baker asked receipts for what. Griffin said receipts for anything out of the ordinary, extra hours for cleaning. Baker said it doesn't have anything for salary reimbursement. Commissioner Glavin said the person you want to talk to is Bonnie. Griffin said she is the CEO there; Kelly will be the project manager. Baker asked if there is information on salary reimbursement. Griffin said that's why we hired them. The law is vague on things. They will say what is eligible and not. Will know more next week.

Building and Grounds:

-John Kennedy said I called MBE about the plexiglass windows. With looking at the drawings the ones they did were plexiglass with no frame. Now they have to redraw and might be a little bit more. I feel we need that wood around there for extra support. Called this morning

and not sure when he can get drawings back to us. Get them, see what the price is and go from there. I would like to order them right away because they got a load of plexiglass. After I talked to them somewhere else sent a design for 180 windows. I'm ahead of them but want blessing before ordering them. There is no meeting on Tuesday and won't be able to get a hold of you to approve them. Commissioner Griffin said Monday or maybe y Wednesday. Kennedy said he doesn't know when I will get the drawings back. Wanted to let you know where I was at. Will be a price difference than we discussed before. Griffin said so it's \$600.00 for whole work and then another couple hundred for the wood frame. Kennedy said I'm not sure how much more. Griffin said if it's not over\$1000.00 should we revisit or vote on it. Commissioner Kliethermes said just vote on it. Commissioner Glavin said if it's over \$1000.00 we revisit. Griffin said let's put in there if over \$1000.00 come back, but if not, you have our blessing to go through with the order for the plexiglass and frames. Kennedy said I don't think it will be outrageous. Kliethermes said and that will include the one in the health department. Kennedy said yes. Will have to redraw that too.

-Commissioner Glavin made a motion for John Kennedy to have authority to purchase plexiglass windows with wood frames. Commissioner Kliethermes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was then taken. Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how to do you vote?" Commissioner Glavin responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Kliethermes how do you vote?" Commissioner Kliethermes responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Griffin how do you vote?" Commissioner Griffin responded "yes."

-John Kennedy said my supplier came and showed a machine with reservoir on it, you add solution and water has a 5-gallon capacity. It is an atomizer with a car wash wand. Can spray easier on surfaces. The cost is \$1200.00 he is getting me a brochure. Think this is beneficial to have. Commissioner Kliethermes said what is the difference between that and your sprayer. Kennedy said mine is working fine. Can't answer that. Kliethermes said new and improved. Commissioner Griffin asked is it battery or electric. Kennedy said it's electric. Griffin said so you have to plug it in. Can't use outside. Kennedy said waiting for brochure with information. Something they showed for disinfecting.

Old Business:

New Business:

-Commissioner Griffin said there was confusion with Berendzen and Associates. We were supposed to do the advertising. We have to decide to advertise in our paper or wherever. What do we need to do? Commissioner Kliethermes said I guess we need to put bid notice in the paper. Griffin said 2 weeks running on the front page for the notice to bidder. They will put on their website. Commissioner Glavin said we still need to post it in our paper. Griffin said I know both. Kliethermes said I think we just need the local paper then their website. Then we need to send something back to them. Notify them we signed the contract for services and returned March 17th, 2020 said it won't exceed \$8000.00. Anyone who wants to bid needs to get the bid plans from the architect. Griffin said the bid documents are available to view. Kliethermes said do we need to change the date on that from March 20th, 2020. Griffin said to put in the UD.

-Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to put notice out to bidders. Commissioner Glavin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was then taken. Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how to do you vote?" Commissioner Glavin responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Kliethermes how do you vote?" Commissioner Kliethermes responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Griffin how do you vote?" Commissioner Griffin responded "yes."

Public Comments:

Adjournment:

-With no further business, the commission meeting adjourned at 10:00 am. Commissioner Glavin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how to do you vote?" Commissioner Glavin responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Kliethermes how do you vote?" Commissioner Kliethermes responded "yes." Griffin asked "Commissioner Griffin how do you vote?" Commissioner Griffin responded "yes."

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