

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2023

8:30 am

Meeting called to order by: Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin
Eastern District Commissioner John Trenshaw
Western District Commissioner Larry Kliethermes (ABSENT)
Media – HB Dodds
Commission Clerk – Brooke Dudenhoeffer
Present for all or part of the meeting: Caleb Hicks, Ron Hoffman

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

-Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and the meeting minutes for March 7, 2023. Commissioner Trenshaw made a motion to approve today's agenda and the previous meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Griffin. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.

Meetings:

- March 13-17, 2023 State Auditors
- March 14, 2023 8:30am CLOSED Meeting – statute 610.021.3
- March 14, 2023 9:15am Department update meeting
- April 27, 2023 9:00am Courthouse Security Meeting
- June 26-30, 2023 Pentecostal Bridge Trial – NO Commissioners' Meeting

Bills, Notes and Communication:

-Senator from St. Charles Co. has reviewed Senate Bill 161. This bill will do away with sales tax on food. There is another Senate Bill 131, which would do away with tax on disposable diapers and limited hygiene products. Commissioners would see an estimated 10% decrease in Sales Tax. Commissioners urge the public to really look at this and contact the state legislators. This would significantly negatively impact the county. Trenshaw wants to look at the current budget and see where the estimated \$740,000.00 could be cut and what it could look like if both of these bills go through.

-Commissioners signed checks.

-Caleb Hicks from Enterprise in the Fleet Management Department introduced himself to the commissioners. Caleb explained how Enterprise can help sell and buy new vehicles for the county for the lowest prices. Commissioners used the Sheriff's Office as an example for their management plan. Caleb was advised by the commissioners to specifically speak with Sheriff Bonham as he is the one who makes those purchasing decisions. The commissioners explained that they approve the budgets but it's up to the Sheriff how to spend the money along with receiving grants. Trenshaw contacted Sheriff Bonham to let him know to expect a call from Caleb to go over what services he can offer the Sheriff's Office. Commissioners believe it is worth listening to and looking into.


-Commissioners are going to look at a few county roads after the meeting.

911:

-Hoffman attended the EMD meeting yesterday along with another meeting. It was brought up about MRPC writing grants for the county. Tammy and Nicki at MRPC told him that MRPC will not write the grants for the county due to if it's not granted, then the county couldn't hold them responsible. Hoffman was very frustrated with the situation. Griffin asked Hoffman to give him the chance to talk with Bonnie Prigge and try to straighten the situation out.

Adjournment:

-The commission meeting adjourned at 10:15 am. Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Trenshaw made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Griffin. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none


Darryl Griffin
Presiding Commissioner

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