

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2022

8:30 am

Meeting called to order by Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin
Eastern District Commissioner John Trenshaw
Western District Commissioner Larry Kliethermes
Media – HB Dodds
Commission Clerk – Brooke Dudenhoeffer
Present for all or part of the meeting: John Glavin

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

- Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and the meeting minutes for April 12, 2022. Commissioner Trenshaw made a motion to approve today's agenda and the previous meeting minutes with minor changes, seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Kliethermes, Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.

Meetings:

- April 19, 2022 6:30pm MU Extension Council Meeting
- April 25, 2022 3:00pm On-Site Pre-Bid Meeting (Popcorn Buddha)
- May 9, 2022 3:00pm Open bids
- May 9, 2022 CLOSED in observation of Truman Day
- May 10, 2022 5:00pm Dept of Agritourism Meeting
- May 11, 2022 6:30pm 911 Advisory Board Meeting
- May 30, 2022 CLOSED in observation of Memorial Day

Bills, Notes and Communication:

- Commissioners signed checks.
- Commissioner Griffin was notified by Tammy Snodgrass in which Rich Eisterhold's term will expire soon (May 1, 2022) but Griffin spoke with him and he said he would be happy to serve on the MRPC board again for another 3 years.
- Commissioner Trenshaw spoke with MODOT's Patrick McKinney at the Legislative Day, in regard to the bridge in Chamois. Trenshaw was told he would help get the project on the unfunded list and was told to "Continue to play to win".
- Dudenhoeffer brought up the date to submit bids for the health department. The county offices will be closed on May 9, 2022 but Commissioner Griffin said he will be in the building to accept bids. Opening of the bids will be in a public meeting held May 9, 2022 at 3:00pm.
- Commissioner Griffin consulted with the other commissioners about a missing sign reported to be at the intersection of county road 604/602. Commissioners are still trying to find where the road intersects but have been unsuccessful. Email was received during the meeting that corrected the road numbers to the intersection of county road 604/606. Trenshaw contacted Road & Bridge department and spoke with Lori Clenney whom told Trenshaw that there was an anonymous call on 9/3/2021 but when Road & Bridge confirmed that the sign was missing, they noted that there has NEVER been a stop sign at that intersection. Commissioner Kliethermes will go and take a look, but encourages the person whom reported leave their name so he can speak with them.
- Commissioner Griffin went to the ADCAT meeting last night at State Tech. Griffin said there was a lot of information/resources available in the community along with some very knowledgeable individuals.
- Dudenhoeffer noted to the commissioners that the County Clerk, Nicci Kammerich, is hosting an "I VOTED" sticker contest for 5th – 8th graders in Osage County. Dudenhoeffer said Kammerich strongly encourages students/children to participate in this contest. Information has been sent to local schools and an ad has been placed in the U.D. Dudenhoeffer has also sent the information to some private schools but she does not have contacts for all schools within the county.
- Griffin said that the BRO money will be consolidated then distributed. He was advised that if you have money in your "pot" now to use it before you potentially lose it. Griffin is still unsure if ARPA funds would be a source of funds or if ARPA funds are not to be spent for BRO projects. Kliethermes said he would like to have the designs done for 2 of the bridges so that we are a step ahead. Kliethermes was told by Kim Tipton that the county would have to pay for the design out of county money and not BRO funds, but there was still no clarification on if ARPA funds would be acceptable to use as well. Trenshaw asked about being able to use the Used Tax fund but was uncertain if that was okay to use to pay for the design. Kliethermes will ask for further clarification at the TAC meeting today or at least some additional guidance. Kliethermes was told about some grants available for low water crossings and culverts, in which he plans to look into this as it could be very beneficial to the county.
- Commissioner Trenshaw asked the fellow commissioners about the potential loss of employees at Road & Bridge due to retirements. Trenshaw would like to add one employee to start training. Griffin said "I don't have a problem with that. I think

it's a good idea." Kliethermes said. Commissioner Trenshaw made a motion to allow Ron Kempker to hire one additional employee for primary duties of brush cutting and gravel screening in the creeks, seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Kliethermes, Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.

Adjournment:

-The commission meeting adjourned at 9:50 am. 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