

**Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**April 21, 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: Ron Kempker, Bill Walker, Ron Hoffman, Kelly Sink (telephone)

**Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:**

-Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and the meeting minutes for April 19, 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 25, 2022 3:00pm On-Site Pre-Bid Meeting
- 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:**

- Mr. Bill Walker attended the meeting to inquire about County Road 605. Walker states the road is so muddy that his wife is unable to park in the garage. Walker also states that concrete trucks were being washed in the middle of the road and road ditches are terrible. Commissioners assured Walker that they are going to county road 605 today at 11:00am with Dr. Strong and they will address this issue today. Walker says he believes the roads are not designed for the amount of traffic that is on it. Commissioners asked Walker for his number and invited him to come along to today's gathering. Walker asked when the last inspection was performed on the bridge at the end of the road by Highway U. Kempker said "That is MODOT's territory". Mr. Walker said that if the bridge ever goes out, he would not have a way out.
- Commissioner Trenshaw said he has yet to have anyone inquiring about the courthouse paint/plaster repair.
- Commissioner Griffin contacted MRPC to ask if the county can use the BRO funds to start the plans of a few bridges and if the BRO funds don't cover the entire amount would the county be able to use ARPA funds. Sink said "If you don't have to use match money then use what is available". Sink will consult with Bonnie Prigge before being able to give a final answer. Commissioners discussed the available amount and the possibility of losing money if we as a county don't use what we have. Kliethermes will contact Aaron McVicker with McClure to try and get things going. McVicker agreed that with the funds the county currently has it would be feasible to do a small bridge. Trenshaw asked McVicker to get a proposal going for MODOT, he will fill out the form if specific information is gathered for him such as photos of the bridge.
- Commissioner Trenshaw made a motion to proceed with construction/engineering on county road 303 bridge crossing Linn Creek, seconded by commissioner Kliethermes. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Kliethermes stated aye. All opposed, none. Commissioner Griffin abstained from voting as it is a conflict of interest. Commissioners noted that this bridge is the #1 on Osage County MODOT's bridge projects and recommended to be addressed by the Osage County Road & Bridge Foreman, Ron Kempker.
- Trenshaw has reached out to get the Chamois bridge on the unfunded list and has yet to hear back.

**Road & Bridge:**

- Griffin told Kempker that MRPC is going to watch for the low water crossing grant information.
- Kempker handed out the road report for April 12- April 18, 2022
- Asphalt is starting tomorrow, along with the chip and seal. Asphalt is coming from Rolla due to a shortage locally.

**911:**

- Hoffman is able to take down the freezers without destroying them from the health department building and store them at the FD.

**Adjournment:**

-The commission meeting adjourned at 10:13 am. Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Trenshaw. 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