

# Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

July 12, 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: Mike Gorrell, Ron Kempker, Kim Sallin

## Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

-Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and the meeting minutes for July 07, 2022 and the July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 CLOSED meeting minutes. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to approve today's agenda, the previous meeting minutes and the CLOSED meeting minutes. Commissioner Griffin seconded the minutes for July 7, 2022 and Commissioner Trenshaw seconded the CLOSED minutes for July 5, 2022 and today's agenda. Commissioner Griffin asked all in favor say aye. Commissioner Kliethermes, Commissioner Trenshaw and Commissioner Griffin all stated aye. All opposed, none.

## Meetings:

-July 18, 2022 9:00am BOE Meeting

-July 18-22 Missouri State Auditors performing county audit

## Bills, Notes and Communication:

-Commissioners reviewed the Missouri Library Audit.

-Commissioners received request for monumentation but need further information if it has already been done or if this is in addition to our annual monumentation fee.

-Expenditures were received. Commissioner Trenshaw is concerned about the sales tax.

-Health Department has a small shed at the corner of the new site in which John Kennedy wonders if it could be of use.

Commissioners discussed demolishing the shed or replacing it with one of the county's metal sheds. The current shed would need boards replaced and fixing up. All commissioners agreed to get rid of the wooden shed and put the metal shed in its place.

-Commissioners reviewed bills. Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion to approve bills. Commissioner Trenshaw made a motion to approve bills, 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. Commissioners will make sure to communicate that all tickets, including gas, need to be signed.

-Kelly Sink contacted Commissioner Griffin regarding the low water crossing grant. Sink said it's funded through the BRO program and you have to build a bridge.

## Road and Bridge

-Kempker introduced his new employee to the commission.

-Kempker handed out the road report.

-The commissioners advised Kempker to keep advertising for part time. Class E is acceptable.

-Kempker did not receive any bids to replace the loose creek highway cross culvert. At this time Kempker is devising a plan to get the project done as safely as possible. Kempker said "This project is going to take "all forces" and we will shut the road down for safety reasons." The project is projected to start Thursday July 14, 2022 with an unknown completion date/time. Commissioner's clerk will notify the public via social media, Kempker will notify the newspaper and as many outlets as possible.

## Health Dept:

-Sallin reports there are 26 active COVID cases. This is not including the home tests being reported.

-Over the weekend the hospitalizations seemed to be increasing, but not yet overwhelming hospital staff.

-Sallin noted that the monkeypox case is still asymptomatic, but is being closely monitored.

-The Health Department fair booth went over very well. Thanks to a grant, Sallin was able to provide cooling towels for police officers and other fair goers.

-Sallin was able to get the new office furniture approved by a grant. Sallin needs storage for it. It's advised to have it delivered after the building is done.

-The electronic sign that had been previously approved by another grant, is being made, but Sallin wants to know if it's okay to install it immediately as the price included. Engineer, electrician and the installation company have been communicating to make sure the correct wires are installed for the sign to work.

07/12/2022

DLG.

- Sallin requested a new vehicle for the Health Department through a grant.
- Sallin has been in communication with Tim Neuner to make sure there is transparency with any and all donations. Sallin and the commissioners request that if a potential donation is made that the donator make specific requests or they can leave it up to the department head to spend the funds as needed for the department.
- Sallin is to set up an account for the Health Department at Thriftway so that she can purchase necessities for the department events/trainings.
- Sallin personally purchased a pool rental for the health department staff, but was wondering if she could use the current donation funds of \$100.00 to provide food for the employees. Commissioners discussed this and came to the conclusion they will have to get back with her for an answer. Commissioners worry if it would be okay to use the funds for this specific purpose.

**Adjournment:**

-The commission meeting adjourned at 10:21 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