

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

August 11, 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 – Heather Gyorkos
Present for all or part of the meeting: Ron Kempker, Andi Rice, Gerald Rauch, Susan Long

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and the meeting minutes for August 6th, 2020, August 6th, 2020 special meeting minutes, and August 7th, 2020 closed meeting. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to approve the agenda and the minutes. 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."

Bills, Notes and Communication:

-Commissioner Griffin said are there any comments or questions on the sales tax distribution notices. Commissioner Glavin said they're up from last year quite a bit. Still down 18. Don't see how we budget \$300,000.00 for Prop P. Has a long way to go. Griffin said it didn't start until July. Glavin said we budgeted \$300,000.00. Will make a difference on the carry over.
-Commissioner Griffin said we have a letter wanting to know if we wanted disabled voting. Think this would be something the clerk is over. Not sure if she got the same letter.

Meetings:

-August 18th, 2020 Aaron McVicker from McClure for preconstruction for CR274A
-August 20th, 2020 GVEZ meeting with MRPC 1:30pm

Road and Bridge:

-Foreman Ron Kempker presented the commission with the road report for July 28th, 2020-August 4th, 2020 and August 4th, 2020-August 11th, 2020.
-Ron Kempker said we are adding another position at road and bridge. Losing a person out there, gave me 2 weeks-notice on Monday. Will get an ad started.
-Ron Kempker said tomorrow is training for L-Tap. Linda Webb going to come to the shed for road maintenance training. All personnel will be at the shed. Some will be in class and some on the road at a later date. Gravel road maintenance is tomorrow and all are invited to come.
-Ron Kempker said on August 19th, 2020 will be motor grader training all day. A little will be in class and then be on the road for that one. May pull in another grader so we have 2 machines. Practice new ideas for maintaining the roads. Commissioner Kliethermes asked what time will it start? Kempker said 7:00am-3:00pm, all day event. Kliethermes said both days. Kempker said will be in class early. Will try to provide lunch. Will be a good experience for all personnel.
-Ron Kempker said have a tree down from the wind in Westphalia at CR611. Have employee who is training going down there to look at. Looks dangerous in my opinion. Commissioner Kliethermes said on the Westphalia side looks like limbs there and should be easy to cut back. Kempker said that has been done. Kliethermes said that big tree landed on a truss. Commissioner Griffin said so its leaning against it not on top. Kempker said the limbs are hanging on top. It is a large tree 2ft in diameter. Can cut the top off and have the stump to deal with. 4 roads were blocked and should be open by now. Left early to start evaluating, we did have some high winds last night.
-Commissioner Kliethermes said where is the brush cutter at now? Ron Kempker said one is on CR212 and one on CR806. Kliethermes said I received a call last night from Lawrence Wanzing wanting to know when we're going to be down that way. Kempker said early spring last summer we were down there. We have thing in operation, working our way toward Chamois. Kliethermes said he sprayed himself. He tells us that every year. Kempker said the weeds are growing so fast and can't keep up. Will try to get down there if possible.
-Commissioner Glavin said we need to get out to CR232. Ron Kempker said the brush is big out that way. Glavin said it has the road down to one lane. Kempker said he is working his way that way and then working toward Chamois.

911:

-Gerald Rauch from Ameren presented the commission with the Ameren agreement. Commissioner Griffin said has everyone read this. Commissioner Kliethermes said I received an email. Commissioner Glavin said I read it. Griffin said looked alright to me also. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to sign the Ameren Agreement until January 1st, 2021. 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." Andi Rice said I will get a copy of the contract to keep in our records.

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-Andi Rice said here is the replacement credit card for Osage County 911 emergency management. This is the commission replacement card. Does have an option for 1% cash back. Don't see any reason for that and there is an annual fee also. You can activate or put in the clerks safe.

Health Department:

-Susan Long presented the commission with the notice for businesses and landlords. This is revised from what you saw. Plan to put this in the paper also. Commissioner Glavin made a motion to sign the Health Department letter to landlords and businesses. 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."

-Susan Long said we are officially at 49 cases and getting ready to add to that. 7 active cases, 1 death and everyone else recovered. 3 were in the hospital.

-Susan Long said continuing to watch for back to school. Tessa is going to Fatima today. Working on getting N95 masks and face shields out to school today. Had a poor turn out for back to school shots. If people walk in last minute for shots, I won't have time to do it. Will prioritize and shut down. Right now, we are in good shape.

-Susan Long said I have the contract to sign for ECL, it authorizes \$71,150.00 to be used thru March 2022 for contact tracing for Covid.

-Susan Long said I did get an ad in the UD for a nurse.

-Susan Long said have to get flu clinics set up. Hopefully have within a month.

-Susan Long said Diana did get the March to MRPC for the Cares Act. She will work monthly until caught up. Keeping a close eye on the budget. With grants we have been able to shift some of our activities over to cover. MCH grant been able to bill program for moms with Covid.

Old Business:

-Commissioner Griffin said I called down to MRPC and talked to Kelly Sink requesting some guidance on any auditors. Was given a list of auditors they worked with and some information about them. They don't have one set up with the counties. All individual and on our own. Something we need to get set up. Talked with Tim about it for some guidance. Understood we need to have that lines out. Don't want to wait until the last minute. He said maybe we should put that out to bid or pick one. Commissioner Kliethermes said I saw the list of auditors out there and there are a lot to choose from. For our own benefit should run an ad in the paper. Griffin said I figured when we go down there Thursday, I would talk to other county commissioners and see if they have any guidance. MRPC didn't have any guidance. Kliethermes said I don't think MRPC wants to recommend, I don't think they can do that. Ask another county what they have done. Griffin said something we need to think about and not be last minute. Need to hold money back for the audit. Kliethermes said if we don't give out any more money than we have there won't be much to audit. So far, its barely scratched the surface. Griffin said maybe after Thursday they can give us more information on what way to go.

New Business:

-Commissioner Griffin said has everyone had a chance to look at the Cares money. We have 4 requests, Holy Family School in Freeburg \$14,747.09, Immaculate Conception School in Loose Creek \$2,783.60, Sacred Heart School in Rich Fountain \$3,416.15, Maries/Osage Ambulance District \$15,598.00. Commissioner Glavin made a motion to approve the requests received from MRPC. 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."

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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Presiding Commissioner