

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

August 6th, 2019

Meeting called to order by Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin at 08:30 AM

Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance

District 1 Commissioner John Glavin present

District 2 Commissioner Larry Kliethermes present

Media - HB Dodds

Chief Deputy Clerk – Amber Hamilton

Present for all or part of the meeting: Foreman Ron Kempker, Sheriff Bonham, Susan Long, Valerie Prater and Carol Heckman.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

District 2 Commissioner Larry Kliethermes moves to approve the Agenda and Meeting Minutes with a couple changes to the meeting minutes, seconded by District 1 Commissioner John Glavin, followed by 3 ayes in a roll call vote.

Bills, Notes and Communication:

-Commissioner received 2 letters from DNR, 1 regarding Water Protection and 1 regarding Drinking Water.

-Expenditures Report

-Balance Sheet

-Letter from Dr. Shuman with a list of projects. Commission will meet with them in Rolla on August 29th, 2019.

Meetings:

-County Clerk is in preparation for budget amendments

-August 13th, 2019 Nuclear Drill held in the 911/EMA conference room time TBD.

-August 27th-30th, MACCEA conference to be held at the Lodge of Four Seasons at Lake of the Ozarks.

-MAC Conference to be held November 17th-19th, 2019 in Osage Beach.

Old Business:

New Business:

-Deputy Valerie Prater presented commission with an emailed trade from Buchanan County regarding soft match of \$100,000.00.

Health Department:

-Susan Long presented commission with monthly reports for the months of January through July.

-Susan told commission that she is back to work full-time now and has been for the last 3 weeks.

-Misty Davidson is no longer employed with the Health Department.

-Vicki Strickland is the new WIC nutritionist

-Kimberly Sallin is the new WIC nurse.

-A grant was provided for the Health Department for disposable PPE kits. 400 were provided to the Health Department for First Responders. Along with 160 Biohazard Kits. Long stated that Ron Hoffman is finding space for them to be stored.

-Flu shots have not been 100% scheduled yet due to a slight delay. Flu clinics will be brought up at a later date.

-The Health Department will offer both the injection and the nasal mist for the prevention of the flu. Long stated that the mist works better on children.

Road and Bridge:

-Foreman Kempker present commission with his Road Report for July 30th-August 6th.

-Cutters are out and active clearing brush along roadsides before the upcoming school start dates.

-Grader 08 that was involved in the accident a few weeks ago has had the inner hub changed, bearings and seals which cost \$9,396.76. It is now being turned over to insurance. It was believed that the other driver did not have insurance but he did and the bill has been turned over to his insurance.

-The Road and Bridge Department is hauling rock to CRs.

-Lines have been painted in the county parking lot.

-Kempker stated that he will drive CR 501.

-Grading is needed on CR 610 and CR 621, Commissioner Kliethermes stated he has had a few complaints.

- CR 615 has large holes and there is a hump in the ditch that is causing water to come over the road.
- CR 275 Box culvert has had a bank giveaway
- MoDot bridge on Loose Creek Hwy is going to be completed today.

Sheriff:

- All officers have been trained to use Narcan. Susan Long from the County Health Department has also been trained.
- Fire Department is not participating in the use of Narcan.
- Narcan is shipped directly to the Health Department, shipment is due on the 8th.
- Narcan is in the form of a mist and not an injection.
- Narcan was funded by a grant called MORE.
- Chief Deputy Amber Hamilton asked what the process was if Narcan was used. Sheriff Bonham stated that most likely they will be transported to a medical facility.
- If Narcan is used a report must be filed regarding drugs used and outcome.
- Bonham stated that stop sign tickets were written during the closure of Hwy 133.
- Speeding is the biggest issue inside Westphalia.
- The sheriff's office is wanted to do a traffic flow study between Hwy 50 and Hwy CC so they can potentially get the speed limit reduced in that area.
- The extra railings at the Sheriff's Office can be used at the Road and Bridge Department.

Other:

- Architect will be here Thursday.

Public Comments:

-Carol Heckman spoke with commission regarding CR 511 in Westphalia. Heckman stated that she would like the county to make a commitment to negotiate with the city of Westphalia in maintaining the section of road from Hwy 63 South to the top of the hill, 1/3 of a mile that starts CR 511. It was determined in October that the city is responsible for the part of HWY 63 to the top of the hill to CR 511. The city unanimously voted to pay the county to maintain that section of the road. Heckman stated that she has checked with the council members and the president, secretary and all members are aware and she was told that they had contacted the county multiple times with no response. Heckman stated she has spoken with Commissioner Kliethermes a couple of times and he suggested for her to call MoDot, she spoke with Reed Riley who is a resident engineer out of Jefferson City for the project. Heckman stated that in the past 10 months that section of the hill was only graded once, snow removal was never done and never was gravel put on it. Heckman stated with the severe weather conditions and spring conditions you could imagine what the road is like. Heckman stated that when HWY 133 exit was closed down the traffic was supposed to be rerouted to Hwy 42 in Vienna, maybe the semis went down there but everyone else used the 1/3 of the hill to by pass it. The road is so bad that the wash board affect rattled the truck of a local business man and it was stalled on the hill the entire day blocking one whole lane of traffic. School will soon be in session and Heckman is concerned for the safety of the children on the school bus. Heckman stated that at one point her son had offer to pay a road and bridge employee \$20.00 to grade the road and he did. Commissioner Griffin stated that no road and bridge employee should accept gratuity from the citizens of the county. Commissioner Kliethermes stated that the Road and Bridge Department at one point did come up with an estimate as to what it would cost for snow removal, cinders, grading, rock, etc. Commissioners stated that they have reached out to the Mayor of Westphalia and have not received any return calls. Chief Deputy Amber Hamilton stated that she believes that there is a state statute pertaining that the county would need to have a contract in place from the City of Westphalia due to liability issues. Commissioner Griffin stated that it would be best if the City Officials from Westphalia meet with the commission during a scheduled commission meeting to discuss possibilities. Chief Deputy Hamilton provided the contact phone number for the Osage County Clerk's Office so they can call and get on the agenda.

Adjournment:

-With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 AM. Motion to adjourn made by Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin, seconded by District 1 Commissioner John Glavin, and followed by three ayes in a roll call vote.


Darryl Griffin
Presiding Commissioner