

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

December 8th, 2020

Meeting called to order by Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin at 8:39 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, John Trenshaw, Matt Robertson, Kim Sallin, Valerie Prater

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and the meeting minutes for December 3rd, 2020. 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 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:

-The commission discussed a personnel matter.
-Commissioner Glavin made a motion to pay the bills. Commissioner Kliethermes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was then taken. Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how 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."
-Commissioner Glavin said are we paying excessive sick time for the deputies? Griffin said the note I have says, sick, vacation, comp. Valerie Prater said this is for their payroll this month.
-The commission discussed the cares act and the disbursement of funds.

Meetings:

Road and Bridge:

-Foreman Ron Kempker presented the commission with the road report for December 1st, 2020-December 7th, 2020.
-Kempker said everything has been running smooth. We did put truck #49 and the new trailer in service. Everything is working fine.

Building and Grounds:

-Commissioner Griffin said are there any comments on the tuckpointing? Commissioner Kliethermes said I sent a copy this morn to architect Berenzen. This is just a change of contract from Verslues for us to sign and send back. Go ahead and do all tuckpointing we originally wanted above the roof on the porch part and 2 east columns. Comes out to be \$59,084.00 the original contract amount. Mentioned in the letter there is around \$2,000.00 left of the \$5,000.00 overrun and Verslues will kick in the balance of it. That way all of the tuckpointing gets done. They said if we decided not to do the tuckpointing we would not get a refund.
-Commissioner Griffin said they are bringing the light back today, they repaired it. Saw a picture, it looked really good. Commissioner Kliethermes said if we accepted the repair, the glass in the other one would need to be changed so it would match. The pictures he sent looked good.

Health Department:

-Commissioner Griffin said we are looking over these new guidelines for quarantining. Are there any comments? Kim Sallin said the feedback we have gotten is what the smaller counties are doing is following the 10-day guidelines. The larger counties they are following the CDC recommendations. CDC recommended you can test out of your quarantine after 7 days. Our area will not test anyone that is not symptomatic. We don't have the testing ability for that option. Also, the majority of our contacts turn positive between day 7 and 10. I would say 90% of our people are not symptomatic at day 5. We decided it was not a good choice for our area. What we have adopted is day 10 a person who is quarantined they can return to school or work. This is going to allow our kids to get back in school faster. For essential workers this gets them back to work 4 days faster. A lot of the contacts for kids are coming from outside school. That does not fall into the new masking guidelines. Griffin said are our cases going down or staying the same? Sallin said they are going back up. The numbers were down last week but have gone back up quite a bit. They predicted a surge for this week due to Thanksgiving and predict another for New Years. Commissioner Kliethermes said with school being out over the holidays it is a greater chance for the kids to get sick. Sallin said the schools are doing better with keeping the kids apart and them wearing their masks. We are seeing less cases. Commissioner Glavin made a motion to approve the newly modified guidance from CDC for the 14-day quarantine period. Commissioner Kliethermes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was then taken. Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how 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."

New Business:

Old Business:

Public Comments:

-Matt Robertson from Loose Creek Community Club attended the meeting with a question on the cares act distributing of funds. Commissioner Griffin said we have everything sorted out here and are going to make our final decision at 12:30 pm today. Kelly Sink from MRPC will be here. We have somethings to vote on and go over. All of the money has been asked for and even more than what we have. Robertson said that was my question, if there was money available, we would like a shot at it. Griffin said we will let you know one way or another.

Adjournment:

- The commission meeting adjourned at 10:03 am. Commissioner Griffin 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."


Darryl Griffin
Presiding Commissioner