

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2020

Meeting called to order by Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin at 8:30 AM

District 1 Commissioner John Glavin present

District 2 Commissioner Larry Kliethermes present

Media – HB Dodds

Front Desk Clerk –

Present for all or part of the meeting: Ron Kempker

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and meeting minutes from April 9th, 2020. Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to approve the agenda and the meeting 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:

-Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to pay the bills. Commissioner Glavin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was 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 Griffin received communication from the Department of Agriculture saying that Tim Hamburg has successfully completed 10 corners.

Meetings:

-General Municipal Election – June 2nd, 2020 the deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is May 20th, 2020

-General Municipal Election June 2nd, 2020

Health Department:

-Commissioner Griffin said he received a text message from Susan Long saying that things are less hectic and there is only 1 active case in the county.

Building and Grounds:

Road and Bridge:

-Foreman Ron Kempker presented the commission with the road report for April 7th-April 14th, 2020.

-Commissioner Kliethermes asked Kempker if he went and checked out CR521. Kempker said he did and found the pipe is sheared off at one end. Speaking of culverts there is one installed but not by the county specs. Tried to find out who put it in. Sometimes they are done for temporary drives used during construction. It has an 8-inch pipe and not handling the water flow. Will have a posting by the culvert with the size, specs and to contact road and bridge. Commissioner Kliethermes said if worse comes to worse take the pipe out. Commissioner Griffin clarified they put in an 8-inch pipe. Kempker said yes, plastic single line 8 inch. Commissioner Kliethermes said 8 inches won't cover if there is too much heavy rain.

-Ron Kempker said they will have a private drive culvert done today. The other might be tomorrow. We are getting a lot of calls about drive pipes. We are addressing those as they come in. There is another I'm looking at today. On CR235 there is a real bad slab issue. There is a crack over where the culvert used to be and it is deteriorating. It is a steel culvert and is rusted out. Not really working, leaving a void under the slab. The water runs ¾ of the way across the slab and then down through the crack. We have put 6ft x 7ft steel plate across it for a temporary fix. It will not be cheap to fix. The road is 92ft long and 18ft wide if we pour a new slab. Possible to take out the old culvert and line with different steel in or put a box in. Pretty hollow under there. Commissioner Griffin asked if the road would be closed during repair and if there is another way out and a way for emergency vehicles to get in. Kempker said yes it would be closed and there is another way about that? Kempker said yes, he did and would get a look next week.

-Commissioner Glavin said CR271 is popping loose again, there is a beaver dam. CR319 is 15ft wide heavy trucks will cause break off. Nothing but dirt in there, will do the same as CR235. Kempker said won't know until we start chipping it out. Can put in 2 steel pipes. Commissioner Kliethermes said we can get a 3ft pipe in.

-Commissioner Glavin said CR319 out by Elmer Kielholtz box, there is a stake that has been there about 6 months covered with reflector tape. Ron Kempker said could it be a survey stake? We use white flags to mark. Glavin asked Kempker to go out and see what's going on. That road has 7 boxes on it, doesn't think it's a survey stake.

-Commissioner Kliethermes said CR502 going toward Brendel's hasn't been graded in a long time. Ron Kempker said I think they are on that today.

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-Commissioner Kliethermes asked about the pipe on CR516. Kempker said was trying to get email contact. CR524 being done today, the cross pipe on CR516 hopefully tomorrow. Commissioner Kliethermes said there is too small of a pipe in there. Spend more money hauling rock out there. Kliethermes said CR521 the lower side is dug out, wonder who did that.

-Commissioner Glavin said CR321 needs more gravel, went out and looked. Glavin asked Kempker when he was going to CR319? Kempker said we have 3 other places, very soon, day or so.

Old Business:

-Commissioner Griffin said we have a response from Westphalia. They have revised the #10 issue. They did take ownership of the road, they are responsible. Commissioner Kliethermes said it looks like it needs to be reviewed every 2 years. Ron Kempker asked if road and bridge would perform the duties? Griffin said yes when you can work it in. Kliethermes said he assumes that Kempker would be doing the billing. Kempker said yes, he would send it to Westphalia. Asked if he would get a signed copy when it is passed.

-Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to approve and accept the Westphalia road contract for the piece CR512 in the city limits. Commissioner Glavin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how to do you vote?" Commissioner Glavin responded "no" 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 he wanted the record to show that he feels there are too many other public roads that need attention besides that one. Commissioner Griffin said so noted.

New Business:

-Commissioner Griffin said he received an email from Ms. Luebbert in Loose Creek, she is a 4th grade teacher at Immaculate Conception and is looking for a community project for her students. Wanted to know if the county would be ok with them to pick up trash on CR412 and CR413. Told her that would be nice and the commission supports it. I spoke to Ron and he said that he can supply the trash bags and would put up signs on each end for the safety of the kids. Also, Ron would pick up the bags when they were done. Commissioner Kliethermes said that they need to wear bright colored clothing. Ms. Luebbert said she would check with the school and parents and would let Griffin know. Griffin said it's nice to see them taking pride in the county.

Public Comments:

Adjournment:

-With no further business, the commission meeting adjourned at 10:03 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."


Darryl Griffin
Presiding Commissioner