

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

May 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: John Kennedy, Andi Rice, Susan Long

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

Commissioner Griffin asked for a motion for approval of today's agenda and meeting minutes from May 12th, 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:

-Checks Signed

Meetings:

- Town Hall Meeting for 911 Continuous Tax May 19th, 2020 6:30pm in the Commission Room
- Town Hall Meeting May 20th, 6:30pm Westphalia Lions Club
- General Municipal Election – June 2nd, 2020 the deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is May 20th, 2020
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Road and Bridge:

- Commissioner Glavin said CR203 looks pretty good. If the water gets over the creek it will wash all that rock away. CR304 has 2 creeks without slabs. CR202, 203, 204 there's no rock left.
- Commissioner Glavin said CR309 wants a dead-end sign on the road post. People turn around and go through his pasture. Commissioner Griffin said they put one on CR305 twice and was stolen twice. The second time they took the whole thing. If any residents see anyone with the signs call in. Whoever is taking them needs to be held accountable.
- Commissioner Glavin said from the meeting of May 12th, 2020 the box on CR305 is bad, not CR314.

Health Department:

- Commissioner Griffin said Susan is next Monday when we are opening up?
- Susan Long said I will go ahead and write something up and have signed today. We have not had any new cases reported, and not getting negative reports from the state again. Haven't had any positives and our cases are closed. The advisory is out and we have been getting phone call from people to get clarification. There is a contingency plan for schools. I spoke to John Deeken about the fair, opening the pool and other things. There is a meeting Tuesday evening to discuss these things. Opening the building I am concerned with law enforcement coming in and being around the 911 operators. Using the breakroom again would be alright but the law enforcement is on the front lines and would be first potential contact to a case. Commissioner Griffin said I agree. Andi Rice said open the basement not our area. Long said we would put signage on the door stating if you are sick or have symptoms do not come in the building. We want to still encourage people to do business. I don't think things will get back to the way we considered normal. People are getting used to doing things online. Encourage if they can do business online to do so. Griffin said I agree using something bright to get their attention. Long said to keep the doorbell on. I will go and type up something for the four of us to sign. Griffin asked what exactly are we signing. Long said just rescinding the current order for the building but keep 911 protected. Big concerns with first responders and don't want to expose 911. Griffin said anyone should be limited, that's my personal opinion. Long said you always want to have an open door with first responders. Griffin said the great news is no new cases. Long said to still encourage masks when in public and social distancing. It will be interesting when it comes to the fair, but the Governor can shut things down again and if we see issues with the county. Griffin asked any decision on the fair. Long said that will be discussed at the meeting. Cooper county cancelled completely. Griffin asked what about relay for life. Long said no, picnics coming up more doing take out dinners. Don't want the reputation if someone in attendance got sick. Rice asked what are you recommending to the fair board? Long said I will look at the advisory. Outside stuff has less potential. Surfaces need to be kept clean. Encourage wearing masks. This has made people think outside the box. Different way of doing things and maintain. A lot of this is personal responsibility. Received calls about auctions. If you don't feel they are doing what they are supposed to then don't go. Griffin said have good habits. Rice said have hand washing stations throughout. Long said auctions that are being held encourage mask wearing and they have sanitizer. I suspect attendance will be less. Rice asked are we able to get hand sanitizer anymore. Long said always go to Dogmaster. You go to one place for masks and then another for sanitizer.
- Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to sign the order to open the annex building May 18th, 2020 to the public. Commissioner Glavin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken Commissioner Griffin asked "Commissioner Glavin how do you vote?"

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911:

-Andi Rice brought up the variance for signature.

-Commissioner Kliethermes made a motion to sign the variance for Daniel Knaebel. 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".

-Andi Rice presented the commission with the press release draft for dispatch to go live on May 27th, 2020. I would like each one of you to add a comment. Commissioner Griffin asked when do you need this by? Rice said she would like to have it by next Wednesday. I'm trying to get comment from one of the medical directors. Neither have gotten back to me yet. Griffin said you have some dates for townhall meetings. Rice said May 19th 6:30pm in Linn and May 20th 6:30pm at the Lions Club Westphalia.

-Andi Rice said there are new live times. Welcome to be here May 27th and May 28th, 2020. There is a meeting at 1:00pm would be great if you are here. We are going to test and then go live.

-Andi Rice said she sent a text to Darryl and Larry about the batteries. The estimate was \$8300 for the batteries in the unit. Wireless USA replaced 8 batteries at approximately \$60.00 each. That's \$480 vs \$8300.

-Andi Rice said she received an email about Hwy 100 closing at Shawnee Creek. It said it would be completely closed for 3 months. Commissioner Kliethermes said he didn't think it was that long. Rice said I made first responders aware. That is a pretty significant time. Only other way around is CR274A off of 89N. First responders should be familiar with the area. Commissioner Glavin said there are 3 ways through there CR274A, CR274B and CR271, they all end up on FF. Rice said that's even further away. Glavin said it's further away but not going to get through if the water is over CR275. CR271 is better. Rice said CR271 to N is better. Glavin said yes if the water is over CR275. The good thing is we have the same contractor on both bridges. Not going to start CR274A bridge until this one is done. Rice said I told her she said no, they hadn't planned on it. Glavin said I know it says September 1 but they can get that bridge in half the time. Commissioner Griffin said thank you for researching on those batteries and saving the county a lot of money.

Building and Grounds:

-John Kennedy said he was thinking of installing plexiglass for tax season. Commissioner Griffin said we need probably before tax season. Kennedy said he was checking around and Hometown has no plexiglass, they have clear vinyl to use temporarily. Called MVE-Missouri Vocational Enterprise and spoke to the sales rep for our area and they can have something designed. Griffin asked the full window or partial? Kennedy said with the sizes they have will need to make smaller. The only issue is closing the windows down. That is the only way to get heat and cooling into the hallway. Griffin said you wouldn't go to the full length to the ceiling. Kennedy said the way it goes it will close the whole window. I can get them to bring it down. Would like some space on top also a hole to slide things underneath. How far to go up I really don't know. I will see what the cost is. Griffin asked how many windows are we talking about? Kennedy said 6 and then I would ask the health department. Griffin asked does that include across the street? Kennedy said no, theirs are done. When we got the new counter for the court clerks office it had plexiglass and they had me take it out because you can see glare. When this started, I put it back in. Ellen and Susan have glass. Just these offices here with working so close to the public. Griffin asked if John spoke to the collector's office, would we do both windows or just one? Kennedy said probably both. People come and do transactions at both. Griffin asked what are we talking for price per window? Kennedy said the sizes there are 4x4 a little shorter. The 2 collector windows are \$115 each. The assessor window is 5 1/2 ft, so a 4x8 is \$208. Not sure if we have it cut down if the price changes. Griffin asked do you think we should have a gap at the top for circulation? Kennedy said he would need to check into. Might need to limit the number of people paying taxes in the building. Commissioner Glavin said I spoke to Denise last week about a drop box. Have to get that going too. Griffin said she was supposed to get a price on that. People could drop off stuff over the weekend. Need to look at that getting installed also. Kennedy said as of now they have a lot of plexiglass. What they use is poly carbon. They said it would be no problem for June 1st we can have something in here. Griffin said I think we need to get on that pretty quick. Kennedy said I'll look at sizes and see who wants them, send measurements and see what exact cost is before finalizing. I don't know another way to go. They have an 8-inch stand but really don't need. I think if we have a strip and a few screws should be secure. Are you wanting a 12-inch gap from the top? Commissioner Kliethermes said probably, with not standing there it needs to be tall enough to not have the average person looking over. Kennedy said I will measure and get back with you. Griffin asked how soon can that be done and get a price? Kennedy said he called this morning. Glavin said this is not going to be the last round. Andi Rice said I think the CARES funding would cover the cost. What about Tim's room? Would like something downstairs because when we open people will be coming in. Have you seen the plexiglass stands where you just move them? Kennedy said they do have something like that. Rice said she is thinking of for Travis desk and mine. Griffin said that is a good idea for both. Rice said she was thinking of Tim. I have found myself asking people to step back. Kennedy said they also have a sign you can put on for social distancing. I'll get the windows measured and see what's going on. Griffin said you might want to check with Tim and see what he would like. Kennedy said he's always wanted a window in there. Griffin said put a window in his door. Kennedy said he imagines hard to get bullet proof right now. People are running out of plexiglass and going to regular glass companies to have stuff made. Rice said to ask them about bullet proof film. Griffin told Susan Long they were going over installing windows for the offices. Are you happy with what you have or do you want something else? Long said it would be nice to have a sliding door for Elisha, that would help with HIPPA. Griffin said that CARES money would pay for this right now also. Kennedy said that would be a glass company. Do you want me to check on a glass window for that one? Griffin said if that's what works best for the health department. Kliethermes said what is the reason for the sliding window. Once you slide

it open then you're right there. Long said is there a barrier we could put over for exchange. The sliding window is for HIPPA. Rice asked are you more worried about voices and conversation or germs? Long said something that takes care of both. Kliethermes asked if there something that attaches? Kennedy said you probably could but it could be an issue to flip up. I will look at it.

Old Business:

-Commissioner Griffin said for CR305 John did you get a chance to go out there. Commissioner Glavin said went out there and looked at it and to me the walls are safe, the roof is solid. The deal was when they poured it, it was on shell rock 2 inches thick. The freeze and thaw caused that rock to bust loose. The opposite side is down lower. Recommend to get a contractor and pour concrete. Also, wouldn't hurt to go on the farmers lot and dig it out. Put some blocks in there and take that tree out. The reason to get an outside contractor is we have to haul rock. Can't tie these guys up. If we don't get gravel on the roads next winter will be tough on us. You have the guy that poured the slab at Turkey Hill contact them for an estimate. Griffin said will have Ron contact him. Commissioner Kliethermes said I called him to see if interested and Ron set the appointment for Turkey Hill. He did the estimate first to get approved, we approved it and then hired him. Griffin said I'll call Ron to have him make contact. Glavin said I want to be there when the contractor is there. Griffin said I will tell him. Glavin said if you want to screw that thing in again it will be twice the length. Already tight as it is. Will be expensive to put in the winter.

-Commissioner Griffin said May 20th, 2020 6:30pm Town Hall meeting Westphalia Lions Club, I encourage the public to come and ask questions.

New Business:

Public Comments:

Adjournment:

-With no further business, the commission meeting adjourned at 9:50 am. Commissioner Glavin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes. 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."


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Presiding Commissioner

