

**Minutes of
Special Osage County Commission Meeting
January 19, 2018
8:30 AM**

Opened by County Clerk Steele at 9:30 AM

Present were: Presiding Commissioner Dudenhoeffer, Commissioner Second District Larry Kliethermes, County Clerk Steele, ^{DAVID} Dan Cheek USDA, Kelly Sink-Blair of MRPC, Wes Bailey from Loose Creek, and Mark Voss from Linn.

Wes Bailey brought donuts to share with those in attendance.

County Clerk Steele explained the purpose of the meeting was to find out exactly where things stood and what needs to be done by whom. He stated that he had agreed to meet if the meeting was open and working towards a resolution and end to poor communication. He welcomed all to this meeting and turned it over to ^{DAVID} Dan Cheek who helped make this meeting possible.

He provided an updated application and narrative, guidelines for completing the application, and explanation of the scoring of the application. He stressed that it had to be submitted by the County and would require an authorized County Signature of the Presiding Commissioner Dave Dudenhoeffer. County Clerk Steele will be listed as the grant contact person for the grant.

While there was discussion of what the County Financial Commitment would be, it was pointed out that the quote currently used for the grant calculations was not the result of an investigation of existing conditions but on a request for a quote from an individual. The County has adopted standards for upgrading roads and this provides the basic requirements for improving roads. It was agreed that a PER was needed in order to determine the proper treatment and to avoid spending very limited dollars on an improvement that will not solve the problems and hold up for several years. It was agreed that a PER would be requested by Wes Bailey as a contribution to the road project. This is critical in determining the scope of work and overall project costs.

The County agreed to have MRPC use up to 5 hours of the County hours to provide assistance to Loose Creek for the application process. Kelly Sink-Blair said that she is very familiar with the USDA process and thought that was enough hours for her assistance.

^{DAVID} Dan Cheek prepared a work sheet of what needs to be done and who has the responsibility. A copy of the Road Standards was provided to all members present. The work list will be attached to these minutes.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.



Presiding Commissioner Dave Dudenhoeffer

County Clerk Patrick Steele