

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes

July 2nd, 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: Ron Kempker, Lori Clenney, Lucas Skaggs, Sheriff Bonham, Lt. Carnes, Nicci Bouse and Jerry Bryan

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes:

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

Bills, Notes and Communication:

-Checks were signed.

Meetings:

-County Clerk is in preparation for budget amendments

-July 3rd, 2019 meeting at MRPC at 2:00PM.

-July 4th, 2019 – All county offices closed for Independence Day

-BOE Hearing is July 16th, 2019 at 9:00 AM. All appeal requests are to be submitted by 4:30 PM on July 8th, 2019

-July 31st, 2019 1:00PM-3:30PM all department heads to meet with Commission and Amanda Grellner to review/change employee handbook/manual.

-Commission to do a walk through the Courthouse and Annex Building to check maintenance and try to see if they have any liability issues. August 1st, 2019 during the Commission meeting.

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

Old Business:

New Business:

-Commission agreed to follow the Governor's order and close all County Offices for July 5th, 2019.

County Clerk:

-Chief Deputy Amber Hamilton presented Commission with the Monthly Income Report for the months of May and June. Commissioner Griffin asked why there was a significant increase in this June's income, Hamilton stated it is due to renewals of retail liquor licenses. Griffin asked Hamilton if everyone was squared away, Hamilton stated that there were still a few stragglers who have not renewed their county retail liquor license. Commissioner Kliethermes asked what the county clerk's office could charge as a late fee. Hamilton informed commission that by statute that the County Clerk's office could charge up to a 50% late fee.

-County Clerk Nicci Bouse presented Amber Hamilton with a certificate of appreciation for 1 year of service with the Osage County Clerk's office. Commission congratulated Mrs. Hamilton and voiced their gratitude for her hard work.

-Chief Deputy Amber Hamilton informed commission that by Missouri State Statute the County Clerk's Office was supposed to receive the Assessor's Tax Book by July 1st, 2019, as of July 2nd, 2019 the Clerk's Office had still not received it. Commissioner Glavin stated that the assessor's office has been busy as well as behind, but they should have had it done and turned in.

-County Clerk Nicci Bouse stated that as of today there has not been any appeals for the BOE.

Road and Bridge:

-Foreman Kempker presented Commission with his Road Report.

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- Foreman Ron Kempker introduced 2 of the newest staff at the Road and Bridge Department, Lori Clenney who is the administrative assistant and Lucas Skaggs who is an operator.
- Kempker informed commission that employee John Strubberg and the road grader were involved in an accident yesterday morning. Kempker stated that the road grader was making a left turn from Hwy T on to CR 526 when a vehicle tried to pass, the vehicle hit the front tire of the grader and caused the vehicle to go off the road and strike a tree. Kempker stated the driver of the other vehicle was taken to a nearby hospital by ambulance and was unsure of the condition but he believes he was okay. Kempker stated that both Strubberg and the grader had no injuries.
- Commissioner Kliethermes stated that he has received compliments regarding the grading work that has been done. Kempker stated they are trying their best to catch up but it would be awhile before they are all caught up due to mother nature.
- Kempker stated that he has a new employee starting with the Road and Bridge Department on Monday, July 8th, 2019.
- Bridge construction has been completed on CR 508 and MoDot will be out to reinspect it.
- CR 706 project is to be started soon.
- Truck #32 is currently at Hatfield's. Hatfield's have told Kempker they believe it to be a sensor but will know more soon.
- Kempker brought truck # 38 to the commission's attention, Kempker believes that the truck should be repaired instead of just sitting. Commissioners Griffin and Glavin stated that they don't believe the Road and Bridge Department will receive `then a couple thousand to replace the springs in the back. Commissioner Kliethermes stated that he thinks it's too much money to put in a truck that old when it has had problems all along. Commission agreed that Kempker should shop around about buying a used dump truck to take its place.
- Commission stated that entrance repair is needed on CR 306 due to farmers needing to move cattle by Friday, Kempker stated that it would be Wednesday before they could get out there to fix the entrance
- Commissioner Griffin stated that he is impressed with the work Kempker has done with repainting the lines in the Square for handicap parking. Commissioner Griffin asked Sheriff Bonham if he would speak with Linn's Chief of Police in enforcing the law when it came to the parking lot in the Square.
- Commissioner Glavin stated that he received a complaint about CR 301 from a farmer who claims he can't keep his tractor on the road.
- Commission stated that on CR 521 & 216 by Fennewald's and Little Maries that there is unlimited gravel and have been invited to come get it.
- DeAnna Kluender sent an email regarding their home on CR 705 and the loss of the hillside and the cutting of the lower driveway due to grading. Citizen stated that she would like to meet with Commission and Foreman Kempker on the property to discuss way to avoid further deterioration of the driveway and hillside.
- CR 309A needs to be reworked, citizen is concerned because he states that he drags everytime he pulls out of his driveway.

Sheriff:

- Sheriff Bonham stated that right now they are in the busy time for all the special events going on.
- Bonham stated they have signed a mutual aid agreement for Narcan that will be supplied by grant. Bonham stated that there has not been an abundance of overdoses however there has been one confirmed death caused by overdose in the City of Linn. Bonham stated that 3 of the officers have had the training and training would be passed on to the other officer.
- Bonham stated that they have started the tour through the county, hitting our local vets. They were with the Meta Fire Department last night talking about Prop P, what it is and what it will do for the deputies.
- Bonham stated that the fair is next week. Bonham stated he will not have deputies riding around the fair grounds on ATV's unless of an emergency. Bonham stated that he encourages his deputies to engage with the public.
- Bonham stated that crime is down which is great but drug arrest has gone up significantly.
- Commissioner Griffin asked how Bonham liked the new fence. Bonham stated it is phenomenal, however, where one of the gates open it needs to be dug down an inch or so, so the gate can swing the opposite way without causing road blockage and easier access.
- Bonham stated that the Challenger that was stolen from Jim Butler has been recovered in Kansas City. Bonham also stated that the Durango that was stolen was in a pursuit in Kansas City but was able to escape. As of right now, no arrest has been made.

- Commission asked if Bonham had dates as to when he would be discussing Prop P with the citizens of the county. Bonham stated not as of right now.
- Osage River will not be open for the 4th of July.
- Missouri River will be open for recreational use with no wake.

Other:

- John Glavin stated that he is not going to be to generous when it comes to amending the budget.
- Commissioner Griffin made public comment that he wishes everyone a happy and safe 4th of July and enjoy the extra day off!

Public Comments:

- Jerry Bryan asked of another BRO project was in the works. Commissioner Griffin stated that Commissioner Kliethermes was going to drive around and look at bridges and see which ones need attention.

Adjournment:

- With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 09:30 AM. Motion to adjourn made by District 1 Commissioner John Glavin, seconded by District 2 Commissioner Larry Kliethermes, and followed by three ayes in a roll call vote.



Darryl Griffin
Presiding Commissioner

