

Osage County Commission Meeting Minutes September 6, 2018

Meeting called to order by Presiding Commissioner Dudenhoeffer at 08:31 AM
Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance
District 1 Commissioner John Glavin present
District 2 Commissioner Larry Kliethermes present
Voter Registration/Front Desk Clerk Leslie Goodenough on duty
Media represented by Neal Johnson
Present for all or part of the meeting: Foreman Ron Kempker, Jerry Bryan, Presiding
Commissioner-Elect Darryl Griffin, Peggy Kempker, William Kempker, Travis Massman.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes: Agenda for September 6, 2018, approved. Meeting minutes for September 4, 2018, approved.

Bills, Notes and Communication:

Bills not submitted due to County Clerk Conference causing Financial/Deputy Clerk Nicci Bouse to be out of town. Bills will be submitted on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

Meetings:

-Peggy & William Kempker: During severe rainstorm on August 29, 2018, ditch on roadside by their property overflowed and caused basement to flood in their home. The Kempkers stated they had drainage issues with the road years ago, then ditch was cleaned out and had no flooding issues on their property for several years, then had flooding problems again, including last year, and presented several photographs to Commission of most recent damage and conditions of their property. The Kempkers' house is not located on a floodplain and flooding was not from a source inside the house, so flood damage to Kempkers' property is not covered by insurance. Ditch and culvert present near property appear to be unable to contain large torrents of water. Foreman Kempker confirmed that Road & Bridge addressed ditch by Kempers' house on September 5, 2018, and made it 6 inches deeper, and 2.5 feet wider. Commission expressed concern that if ditch is altered any further, it will increase traffic accident hazard. First District Commissioner Glavin suspects that if ditch is cleaned out and maintained, it will help avert any flooding on Kempers' property. However, he questions if there is anything Road & Bridge Department can build/address to stop overflow from heavy rains. Presiding Commissioner Dudenhoeffer said he would drive out and look at ditch/driveway condition in person on September 7, 2018. Foreman Kempker asked to also see the Kempkers' photos, and was obliged. Commission took no action and made no decisions on issue, but did express sympathy for Kempers' situation, and will continue to seek viable solution.

-Travis Massman: Appeared before the Commission as a private citizen, not part of Westphalia Lions Club or any other organization. Mr. Massman wished to apologize to Commission publicly for unintentionally causing road issues with large ATV turnout for event in Westphalia on

weekend of August 18-19, 2018, and expressed desire to keep good relations with Commission. Also present to inquire about legalizing use of four-wheelers on Osage County roadways. Presiding Commissioner Dudenhoeffer said legalization process for ATVs starts with County Sheriff; of which Mr. Massman responded that he already spoke with Sheriff Bonham who deferred him to the County Commission. Commissioners are concerned about automobile-related accidents with ATVs, and non-residents of Osage County bringing their equipment to Osage County, where such would cause more trouble, hazards, and damage to roadways. First District Commissioner Glavin cited County statute where certain conditions do allow for four-wheelers to be driven on roadways, such as farmers and handicapped drivers. ATV Ride event in Westphalia may possibly be permitted roadway use for one day. Media representative Neal Johnson would like to know of event in advance in future, in order to report on event for news. Second District Commissioner Kliethermes considering possibility of applying Osage County sticker for residents of County that own ATVs. Such would require inspections process for the ATVs. Presiding Commissioner-elect Griffin was asked to also share his thoughts and concerns with legalizing ATVs and concurred with other Commissioners. Mr. Massman asked if possible to post signs where ATV use would be permitted and restricted. He also stressed that he is in agreement with permits for county roadways only, for Osage residents.

Safety Concerns: Presiding Commissioner Dudenhoeffer conferred with county court staff on proposal to place 'No Weapons' signs on doors of Annex Building, as Prosecutor Grellner was not available at time, to advise. Court staff believes that there would be no restriction for placing notification sign that weapons are prohibited on premises. Commission will still consult with the Prosecuting Attorney before taking any action, but all four exit doors in Annex Building will receive sign for prohibiting weapons. Commission voted on proposal to have signs placed, with First District Commissioner Glavin moving to approve, Second District Commissioner Kliethermes seconding, and followed by three ayes in roll call vote.

Old Business:

BRO Bridge on CR 531: Bid advertisement still running in newspaper, per Second District * Commissioner Kliethermes. Bids open September 20, 2018. *Bid ran in paper last week of August*
Port Authority: No further news on Port of Chamois or opening another port in region on *only, per* Missouri River, currently. *statute.*

New Business:

Department Reports:

Road & Bridge: Foreman Kempker submitted weekly report, which was delayed due to printers and other office equipment being down from lightning strike in previous week. Two-way radios are still down, but repairs are being addressed presently.

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Other:

-Agri-Tourism: County tour set for September 11, 2018. Some information on website: www.visitosagecounty.org/. Best source for cost and details is County Extension Office at 573.897.3648.


-MCEC: Meeting September 11, 2018, at 1:00 PM, in St. James, Missouri.

-West Central Commissioners Association: Quarterly meeting September 27, 2018, in Clinton, Missouri.

Public Comments:

Adjournment:

-With no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Glavin, seconded by Commissioner Kliethermes, followed by three ayes in roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 AM.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Dave Dudenhoeffer", is written over a horizontal line.

Dave Dudenhoeffer
Presiding Commissioner