

Presiding Commissioner, Kyle Carroll, East District Commissioner, Chet Owen, West District Commissioner, Kyle White and County Clerk, Melissa Meek.

Presiding Commissioner, Kyle Carroll welcomed those in attendance and led all in prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by all in attendance.

Presiding Commissioner Kyle Carroll, made the motion to accept the agenda as presented with East District Commissioner, Chet Owen making the second. All in favor. Motion carried. Minutes from the March 25th meeting was presented with West District Commissioner, Kyle White making the motion to approve the minutes as presented with Presiding Commissioner, Kyle Carroll making the second. All in favor. Motion carried.

West District Commissioner, Kyle White attended a Tri-County Health Department meeting this past Monday in Stanberry.

Accounts payable and payroll were reviewed by the Commission and approved.

SB190 continues to be a topic of discussion with a lot of Counties still looking for better direction from State Legislatures. It is unclear out of 114 Counties of how many at this time have implemented the bill. The Commission will continue to leave the following statement in the minutes until further notice.

The Clerk's office has received several calls concerning the Commission implementing SB190. The DeKalb County Commissioners are not opposed to implementing the property tax credit provided in Senate Bill 190, which says in part,
"This act authorizes a county to grant a property tax credit to eligible taxpayers residing in such county, provided such county has adopted an ordinance authorizing such credit, or a petition in support of such credit is delivered to the governing body of the county and is subsequently submitted to and approved by the voters, as described in the act."

The two options for putting the law into effect are an initiative petition and commission action in the form of an ordinance.

If implemented, qualifying persons property valuations would no longer increase in most cases.

The Commission is reluctant, at this time, to interfere with taxes put in place by voters to fund local fire departments, ambulance districts and schools. If DeKalb County residents choose to reduce those taxes, the commission will support those efforts.

At 10 a.m. a preconstruction meeting was held concerning BRO project (002) which is the bridge on Orchard Rd. Those in attendance were Shannon Howe and Garry McFee of Howe & Company, Brad Parn of Brookfield Box & Bridge, James Miller of MODOT, Bill Gray and Ben Routon with DeKalb County Road & Bridge Dept. Shannon discussed the project in length and noted that all entities will be notified that has access to the bridge & road. procedure with the project and will be contacting all entities that have access to that road.

Bill Gray and Ben Routon from the road & bridge department discussed brush letters, equipment and work being done around the County.

Magellan will be doing work on their pipeline located off of Heimbaugh Rd.

County Clerk, Melissa Meek noted that brush letters being sent by certified mail are not always being picked up. When that happens she has to send them with the Sheriff's Office to have them delivered.

Collector/Treasurer Jessica Lee presented the adjustment register for March for the Commission & Clerk to review and sign.

If you have an event you would like to hold at The DeKalb County Fairgrounds please contact County Clerk, Melissa Meek to ensure there are no scheduling conflicts, and that you have the correct insurance in place.

County Clerk, Melissa Meek reminded the Commission that absentee voting would continue until April 7th at 5 p.m. The polls open up at 6 a.m. on Tuesday the 8th of April with unofficial results being posted to dekalbcountymmo.com that evening.

Guests attending today's meeting were Garry McFee, Ben Routon, Shannon Howe, Bill Gray, Brad Parn and James Miller.

With no further business before the County Commission, they adjourned until April 8, 2025.