

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 2013
3RD DAY JULY REGULAR**

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on July 3, 2013 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

The Commission met with John Buckwalter, City Engineer/Director of Public Works Department, City Of Kirksville. Mari Macomber, City Manager, arrived approximately 20 minutes later.

Mr. Buckwalter's first matter of concern was Harriet Beard's status on the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). Committee members are comprised of two County Commissioners and the Mayor. However, several years ago, Mrs. Beard was appointed in place of one of the Commissioners. On March 26, 2013, per the County Commission, it was decided that the committee would now be comprised of Presiding Commissioner Stanley Pickens, 2nd District Commissioner, Mark Thompson and Mayor Richard Detweiler. Mr. Buckwalter stated that no one had ever told Mrs. Beard she no longer was on the Committee. As a result, she was hurt by the decision and lack of notification regarding her dismissal from the Committee. Mr. Buckwalter suggested that the Commission contact Mrs. Beard and discuss their decision with her.

Second, since he was retiring from the City of Kirksville he wanted to know who would prepare for the TAC meetings. Mr. Buckwalter stated that he had prepared for the meetings in the past, but it actually was the responsibility of the Commission to prepare for the meetings. Mr. Buckwalter asked Mr. Pickens if he had reviewed the "needs list" that would be presented to the Northeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission for 2013. It could not be determined if Mr. Pickens had received the list. Mr. Buckwalter said it appeared that Adair County's 2013 "needs list" had just rolled over from 2012.

The intent for the June 19, 2013 TAC meeting was that County teams would discuss their "needs list" and attempt to sell their wants to the Commission. At the meeting, there were 35 needs identified from six counties and each were ranked high, medium, or low. The "needs" will be voted upon and get assigned at the next TAC meeting which will be in August. There are five needs listed for Adair County.

Discussion continued with concerns from both the City of Kirksville and Adair County regarding communication problems with the Northeast Regional Planning Commission (NERPC), who is the overseer of the TAC meetings. Both the City and County felt there was lack of organization and professionalism within the NERPC. They felt they deserved more and the NERPC was a disservice to them. It was agreed they would ask Mr. Davison to meet with the City and County to discuss their concerns.

Mr. Buckwalter stated that Ed Ieans will be acting as City Engineer and he along with Mr. Ieans and Mr. Detweiler will discuss the "needs list" while the County would schedule a meeting with Mr. Davison.

The meeting ended with Commissioner Thompson asking Mr. Buckwalter to act as an advisor for the TAC.

The Commission spent the rest of the day attending to County business.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on July 3, 2013.

ATTEST: Dandra Collop
County Clerk

 Stanley Pickens
Presiding Commissioner