

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017
1ST DAY APRIL REGULAR

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on April 3, 2017 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. Commissioner King and Commissioner Thompson were present. Commissioner Thompson will be acting Presiding Commissioner during the absence of Presiding Commissioner Pickens.

At 9:00 a.m., the Commission and Adair County Road and Bridge Supervisor, Isaiah Curtis, met with Glenna Daniels Young along with a group of citizens to discuss Potter Road. There were more than 25 citizens accompanying Ms. Young.

Ms. Young presented a "Petition to Stop Old Highway 6/Potter Road & Trail from Becoming a Graveled Road." Those signing the petition were residents or property owners along or connecting to Potter Road and Potter Trail West. They wanted an opportunity to find another solution to improving the condition of the road other than by using gravel.

Discussion was held regarding cost of different materials to improve the road. Mr. Curtis stated he was using similar materials to improve Potter Road as he had used when working in an adjoining County. The final result of the condition of the Macon County road proved to be a success. The road was a main thorough fare for heavy trucks and has held up over the years. He felt this was a good approach to improving Potter Road, but said it could take six months or more to see the improvement. The group did not agree with the placing of gravel on the road and asked that placing gravel be discontinued.

The group had information that Potter Road had been abandoned by the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) in 1992. As a result, the County has attempted to maintain the asphalt road despite not having any materials or equipment to lay and/or maintain asphalt.

The group felt that not enough attention had been given to the road over the years. Heavy vehicle traffic had deteriorated the road and they wanted the pot holes patched. Mr. Curtis stated that the County did not furnish cold patch for potholes but could have the product available for the public to purchase at their own expense.

It was agreed by all that the cost of applying gravel at 100 ton per mile would cost \$831.00. The group asked if that amount could be set aside and used toward the cost of cold patch in place of gravel. They wanted it to begin this year, but Mr. Curtis stated he had already expended the money to maintain that section of road for this year. Mr. Curtis also stated that the Road and Bridge Department did not have the man power to take on such projects and the pot hole work would not be done by the County. He explained that the department only has 13 employees including himself to maintain 700 miles of roads within the County.

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ATTEST:

Dandra Collop
County Clerk

Mark Thompson
Presiding Commissioner