

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2019**  
**17TH DAY OCTOBER ADJOURNED**

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on December 17, 2019 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present in the morning. Commissioner Thompson was absent in the afternoon.

At 10:00 a.m., the Commission met with Dave Hurt, Finance Coordinator for the Adair County Sheriff's Department. Also present was Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop, and Deputy Clerk, Tammy Miller.

Mr. Hurt stated that the jail was beginning to experience financial difficulties and wanted to discuss additional funding opportunities. Two more air conditioning units needed to be replaced in 2020 at a cost of \$7,000 each. Plus there are major plumbing issues that need to be addressed in the near future. It would be a ballot issue to add ¼ cent sales tax to the operating fund of the jail. As revenues from prisoner board bills reduce, the need for the additional revenue will be needed.

On behalf of the Sheriff, Mr. Hurt was proposing a 3% raise for their employees. This would be an overall department increase of approximately \$5,000. No performance evaluation increases or steps would be given in 2020. They have two 2013 vehicles for trade or auction and the phone bill will be increasing due to the addition of GPS and four phone cards. The Sheriff's Department will be receiving grants too. E911 payments to the City were discussed and the Commission was reminded to rescind the \$1.45 fee on landline phones.

At 11:10 a.m., the Commission along with Mr. Hurt participated in a conference call with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Mr. Hurt is requesting that the Road Maintenance Association (formed by the County Commission) provide assistance with a loan to the Sheriff's Department.

At 1:15 p.m., the Commission met with Jim Vernon of Daniel Henry Company. Mr. Vernon passed out renewal information for the property/casualty insurance for Adair County property. Discussion ensued. Commissioner King moved to accept Daniel Henry's insurance proposal. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Presiding Commissioner Shahan concurred. All voted in favor of the motion. The Commission will review some coverages for the Road and Bridge Department.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on December 17, 2019.

**Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Tuesday, December 17, 2019:**

Mark Moyer – Job Opening

ATTEST:           Sandra Collop            
County Clerk

          Muel Shahan            
Presiding Commissioner