ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2014** 13TH DAY OCTOBER ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on December 2, 2014 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

The Commission met with Carolyn Chrisman, Director of Economic Development for Kirksville Regional Economic Development (K-REDI). K-REDI is an organization which helps to provide good jobs for people who want to work. Mrs. Chrisman stated that K-REDI was working on creating incentives to get more employees in the area. They were currently working with Kraft Foods to encourage people to remain at their current job because there were benefits to staying employed until the job has ended. K-REDI will know after the first of the year if additional manufacturing lines will be coming into the Kraft Foods plant.

Mrs. Chrisman stated K-REDI wanted to purchase 29 - 30 acres of land and then sub-divide it into smaller areas of 5 -7 acres. Soil studies would be completed in order to get the areas shovel ready for impending companies.

She mentioned that it would soon be budget season and appreciated any money the Commission could provide to their organization. Mrs. Chrisman stated that the County was currently contributing at a rate of 19 cents per citizen, but asked if they could increase the amount to 50 cents or \$1.00 per citizen.

Commissioner Thompson asked if she had any contact with Ameren regarding jobs being created from their proposed transmission line project. Mrs. Chrisman stated she had not. Mr. Thompson stated the Commission discouraged her to encourage the line for Ameren. Mrs. Chrisman knew of no opposition to the Resolution passed by the Commission.

Mrs. Chrisman stated she had attended three attraction events in Minnesota and would continue to attend such events. K-REDI was working on smaller scale projects and added that many projects require a lot of community development. They would continue with their efforts and had two potential projects at this time.

The Commission asked Mrs. Chrisman that K-REDI remind potential land buyers that the County has land available on Jamison Street.

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

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on December 2, 2014.

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Presiding Commissioner

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