

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2012**  
**12TH DAY APRIL REGULAR**

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on April 25, 2012 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

The Commission met with Dale Schmutzler, CFM, Section Chief and Floodplain Risk Reduction Coordinator with the State of Missouri, Department of Public Safety, and State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA)

At the request of the Commission, Mr. Schmutzler discussed the procedures to adopt the national flood insurance program for Adair County. Mr. Schmutzler began by stating that participation was voluntary. Since Adair County had not adopted county planning and zoning, the Commission would need to submit to the voters of the County a proposal to authorize the County Commission to adopt such an order. He stated that the City of Kirksville is currently in the national flood insurance program.

Mr. Schmutzler continued by stating the benefits to being a member of the program. They included Federal mortgage insurance or loan guaranteed eligibility for home owners; cost to insure structures within a floodplain were typically 1/3 that of private insurance; and possibly more Federal and/or State grant eligibility benefits (including emergency management assistance) for the County. Current structures already built within designated floodplain areas would be grandfathered into the program. New structures would be required to abide by the ordinance.

A down side to the program was that some people didn't like rules. He said that the intent of the program was to lookout for people. From a legal basis, it could be considered health and public zoning; not planning and zoning. There were, however, monetary penalties that could be put in place if the ordinance was not abided by.

The procedures to join the national flood insurance program would begin by contacting the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency; place the floodplain ordinance on the ballot for a vote of County residents; if a majority of the votes cast were in favor of the proposal then the ordinance shall go into effect; and the appointment of an administrator to oversee the program ..

Mr. Schmutzler stated that Dallas County had joined in 2011 and Randolph County in 2010. He suggested the Commission talk with the Northeast Regional Planning Commission for their assistance if they intended to proceed with the program.

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

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00p.m. on April 25, 2012.

ATTEST: Sandra Collop- County Clerk

  
Presiding Commissioner