

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2015
8TH DAY JULY ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on August 18, 2015 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

The Commission met with Jim LeBaron, Adair County Health Director, and Ron Stewart, former Kirksville Fire Chief, to discuss an update on the volunteer reception center (VRC). They had originally met with the Commission on July 20, 2015, and dropped in today to see if the Commission had any additional questions.

Mr. LeBaron said the Health Department had a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Kirksville R-III School District. In the MOU, the school district agreed to provide space and access to their campus for the purpose of operating a VRC due to a large-scale public health emergency. The Health Department in turn would provide staff and supplies/equipment for administering and operating the VRC. The Health Department was also added to the Kirksville R-III School District's liability insurance and agreed to provide proof of that insurance upon request.

They wanted to know if the Commission had given any more thought to the concept of a VRC. Mr. Stewart thought that having a facility in place would be a good start if a catastrophe did arise in the County. The VRC would also provide a resource to document hours for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for possible disaster relief. Commissioner Adams again stated, as in their first meeting, that the Adair County Road and Bridge Department would be available to respond in case of an emergency.

Mr. LeBaron and Mr. Stewart encouraged the Commission to enter into a MOU with other organizations of the County in an attempt to be as prepared as possible in the case of an event. This would then provide liability of a volunteer worker that came into the County. They suggested the Commission check with the County's insurance carrier to see if such coverage were possible. Mr. LeBaron and Mr. Stewart said they were just trying to get a community effort organized so some resemblance of a plan would be in place before a major situation developed within the County.

Mr. LeBaron offered to provide the Health Department's MOU with the Kirksville R-III School District as a reference document. Commission Adams stated they would contact the County's insurance carrier once they received the documents to discuss the possibilities of becoming a part of a VRC.

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

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on August 18, 2015.

ATTEST:


County Clerk


Presiding Commissioner