

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2020**  
**4TH DAY JANUARY ADJOURNED**

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on February 10, 2020 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

At 9:30 a.m., the Commission met with Adair County Assessor, Kent Bryant, to approve the 2020-2021 Assessment Maintenance Plan. After reviewing the plan, Commissioner Thompson asked that verbiage be change from "duly elected" to "appointed" as Mr. Bryant had been appointed by the Commission after the retirement of the former Assessor, Donnie Waybill.

Presiding Commissioner Shahan moved to approve the 2020-2021 Assessment Maintenance Plan with the change required by Commissioner Thompson. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Commissioner King concurred. All voted in favor of the motion. A copy of the 2020-2021 Assessment Maintenance Plan will be on file in the County Clerk's office.

At 10:45 a.m., the Commission met with members of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois (ATXI) and Mark Twain Transmission. Present from ATXI were Jim Jontry, Leah Dettmers, and Randy Cox; Annette Sweet from Ameren Missouri; and Kevin White and Doug Aeilts from Northeast Power.

Mr. Jontry stated that the transmission line is fully in service. The substation and power lines are complete as well as the heavy restoration. Cleanup is being completed with contractors and some individuals. That should be completed in June.

Mr. Jontry told the Commission he was appreciative of their help with the project through the highs and the lows. Mr. Cox was now working in Knox County in charge of dismantling and restorations. De-mobilizing should be complete in the next 7 – 10 days with everyone being out of the area by June. He will work until the end of February.

Commissioner Thompson said they had very few complaints and that Mr. Cox had done a good job. Mrs. Dettmers said "thank you" to the Commissioner and the County Clerk.

Mr. Jontry said he had learned a great deal about communicating with the public. He did not like the way in which the project unfolded into the community but had taken away lessons from the experience. Good partnerships begin with finding good partners to work with and he was very grateful for that. More attention will be taken as how a project will affect the customers in building transmission lines in the future. There will be a different business model. Generation portfolios change overtime to get energy moved around.

Ameren plans to build a solar farm next year in Green City, Missouri with a battery backup system. There are no plans to tie this into the transmission line.

Mr. Aeilts spoke of Northeast Power's upgrades to easements in Adair County and said that 100% were voluntary. The overall project had 94% participation in the upgraded language. Northeast Power provided 25% of what Ameren had provided. He reminded everyone that this project was not affiliated with the Grain Belt Express project Helicopter and/or ground patrol will be utilized for inspection of the transmission line in the future. The Commission was encouraged to contact them with any concerns.

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Presiding Commissioner

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At 1:52 p.m., the Adair County Commission adopted the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting be continued in emergency closed session, with closed records and closed votes as permitted by law, for consideration of the following items as authorized by section 610.021(3) of the Missouri statutes:

Discussion under Subsection 3 of the statute for "Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded. However, any vote on a final decision, when taken by a public governmental body, to hire, fire, promote or discipline an employee of a public governmental body shall be made available with a record of how each member voted to the public within seventy-two hours of the close of the meeting where such action occurs; provided,"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any business not covered by the stated reason or reasons for the closed session is raised during the closed session, that such business will be postponed until this meeting is reopened to the public and the sign for a closed meeting is removed from the doors of the Commission office. Present at the meeting were Presiding Commissioner, Mark Shahan; 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner, William King; 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner, Mark Thompson; Adair County Road and Bridge Interim Supervisor, Junior Fountain; and Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop.

So motioned by Presiding Commissioner Shahan and seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Commissioner King concurred. All voted in favor of the motion at 1:52 p.m. on Monday, February 10, 2020.


Closed session ended at 2:38 p.m.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on February 10, 2020.

**Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Monday, February 10, 2020:**

None

ATTEST:

  
County Clerk

  
Presiding Commissioner