

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019
21ST DAY APRIL ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on June 24, 2019 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. Commissioner Bill King and Mark Thompson were present. Presiding Commissioner Shahan was absent.

The 9:30 appointment with the Commission was cancelled.

At 11:00 a.m., Commissioner Thompson signed documentation for the County to enroll and participate in the E-Verify federal work authorization program. Commissioner King concurred.

At 1:00 p.m., the Commission met with Steve Donner, of Donner Applewhite Attorneys at Law. Mr. Donner had met with the Commission in August of 2018 to discuss how opioids were affecting the Counties.

Mr. Donner again presented material regarding national opioid litigation. He wanted to encourage Adair County to join with others to acknowledge the opioid problem. He wanted his firm to represent Adair County in a national case to get as big a recovery for the County as possible. Seventy-five percent of the recovery would go to the County and twenty-five percent to the law firm. He spoke of 63,000 deaths in 2017 due to opioid abuse and that 3 people overdose in Missouri every day. He presented several situations of how opioids had affected individuals and their families.

The information Mr. Donner presented included a draft resolution. Adair County could adopt the resolution to authorize, approve, and direct the employment of certain law firms to represent the community in potential litigation against contributors of the opioid addiction crisis. He merely wanted to touch base again with them today to answer any questions about the potential case. Commissioner Thompson said he was trying to wrap his head around the issue and wanted to think about it. Mr. Donner said he would be glad to answer any questions.

The Commission thanked Mr. Donner for the information and will be getting back in touch with him.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on June 24, 2019.

Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Monday, June 24, 2019:

Virgie Schran – Mockingbird Lane

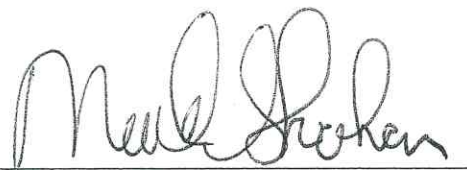
Steve Richardson- Tube

Wayne Adams – Dairy Way

ATTEST:



County Clerk



Presiding Commissioner