

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2019
22ND DAY APRIL ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on June 25, 2019 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. Commissioner Bill King and Mark Thompson were present. Presiding Commissioner Shahan was absent.

At 10:00 a.m., the Elected Official's monthly meeting was held in the Commissioner's Suite of the Courthouse. Attending the meeting were Adair County 1st District Commissioner, Bill King; Adair County 2nd District Commissioner, Mark Thompson; Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop; Adair County Treasurer, Lori Smith; Adair County Circuit Clerk, Linda Decker; and Adair County Assessor, Kent Bryant. Those absent were Adair County Presiding Commissioner, Mark Shahan; Adair County Coroner, Brian Noe; Adair County Collector, Sonja Harden; Adair County Recorder, Pat Shoush; Adair County Public Administrator, Rhonda Noe; Adair County Sheriff, Robert Hardwick; and Adair County Prosecuting Attorney, Matt Wilson. Today as well as in the future, meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m. to allow for ample time for everyone to speak.

Mrs. Smith will be reviewing interest rates from bank bids tomorrow along with the Commission. Bids will be opened at 1:30 p.m. She has had several entities express interest in bidding, but knows she will have two bids for sure. Bids will be for a two year period. She will also be attending a Missouri Association of Counties (MAC) meeting in August.

Mr. Bryant has sent 575 property impact notices to citizens that have had \$1000 or more increase to their appraised value. He has spoken with many of those residents as he prepares for the Board of Equalization that will open on July 15 at 10:30 a.m.

Commissioner King said there are rumors of solar companies purchasing land out in the County, particularly north of the airport. As a result, the Commission has asked the Assessor to find out the assessment procedure for solar farms. He also stated that the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) will meet with the Commission tomorrow to discuss assessing damage from the recent rain and associated flooding in Adair County.

Commissioner Thompson indicated that SEMA as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) are constantly changing their guidelines making it difficult to complete their paperwork. He also attended a Concentrated Animal Feeding Ordinance (CAFO) meeting in southern Missouri. The passage of SB391 has taken away local control from the Counties regarding CAFOs. If you have a CAFO ordinance on file, you can make changes to an existing ordinance until August, 2019. Commissioner Thompson recently attended a Regional Planning Committee meeting. Discussion included a housing shortage within our area.

Mrs. Decker has a 20 hour position available within her office. She asked if anyone could recommend a good candidate to please let her know. She may possibly have a 40 hour position available and another 20 hour position available. She noted, however, that raises for State employees are few and far between as the Judiciary uses all the funds for salaries of Circuit and Associate Judges.

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Mrs. Decker also mentioned turmoil in Lincoln County due to a Circuit Judge placing the Circuit Clerk on Administrative leave and then appointing another individual. Both are currently being paid by the State. The Legislature is trying to get the Attorney General's Office involved as the Circuit Clerk is an elected position. Mrs. Decker feels that the appointing authority for the Circuit Clerk's office should lie with the Circuit Clerk and not the Circuit Judge. It makes a political issue out of the situation.

Regarding Municipal Court, the City Prosecutor has yet to file a case from the City and new codes have not been received.

Mrs. Collop reported that she had attended a cyber security exercise at the Secretary of States (SOS) Office in Jefferson City. She along with three other County Clerks, members of the SOS and their IT staff, and Secretary Jay Ashcroft interacted via webinar with 21 states, the FBI, and the Department of Homeland Security to discuss exercise trainings related to cyber security. This was in preparation of the 2020 Presidential Election.

Mrs. Collop asked if anyone else had received a letter from a business within Adair County asking for help with attracting business for his establishment. No one else had been contacted. It was suggested that he contact Carolyn Chrisman with Kirksville Regional Economic Development Incorporated (KREDI), the Chamber of Commerce, and/or Curt Ransom with Main Street Kirksville formerly known as the Kirksville Downtown Improvement Committee. She will contact the business with the suggestions.

The meeting ended at 11:30 a.m.


The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on June 25, 2019.

Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Tuesday, June 25, 2019:

Duane Vittetoe – Eagle Trail

Laverne Gerhold – Rt. F

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