

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019  
20TH DAY JANUARY ADJOURNED**

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on March 26, 2019 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

At 9:30 a.m., the Commission met with Derek Weber of the Northeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission. Unable to attend due to conflicting schedules were Carolyn Chrisman, Kirksville Regional Economic Development Incorporated (K-REDI) and Jo Fey of Moberly Area Community College (MACC). Also present was Jessica Kairns of the Kirksville Daily Express.

Mr. Weber gave an overview of a Community Development Block (CDBG) Workforce Initiative Grant. This involved Adair County applying for a grant on behalf of MACC. The grant would purchase a miniature windmill for a tech program at MACC. The program would consist of a one semester class to teach individuals to perform maintenance work on wind turbines. The grant requires that at least 51% of the students attending the class qualify as low to moderate income.

It would help to provide a viable workforce to fill a void as wind turbines would soon be built in Adair and Schuyler Counties. There would also be opportunities to further student's education with other wind related classes. Mr. Weber stated this would be a chance to educate locally and retain MACC students in this area. Positions with wind turbines could potentially generate 40 – 50 jobs within Adair and Schuyler counties. He felt this was sensible for this area.

Mr. Weber will contact Ms. Fey to schedule another appointment to fully describe the grant. The paperwork he presented today was preliminary to the grant application and needed to be submitted by 5:00 P.M. on April 1, 2019.

After further discussion, Commissioner King moved that Adair County was in favor of applying for a request for Proposals for the Work Force Training Initiative Grant thru the Missouri Department of Economic Development on behalf of MACC. Commissioner Shahan seconded the motion with Commissioner Thompson concurring. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

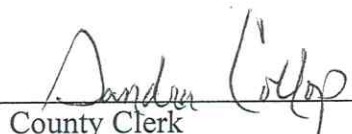
Mr. Weber thanked the Commission for their support and will keep the Commission informed on the progress of the grant.

At 10:30 a.m., the Elected Official's monthly meeting was held in the Commissioner's Suite of the Courthouse. Attending the meeting were Adair County Presiding Commissioner, Mark Shahan; Adair County 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner, Bill King; Adair County 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner, Mark Thompson; Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop; Adair County Treasurer, Lori Smith; Adair County Sheriff, Robert Hardwick; Adair County Circuit Clerk, Linda Decker; Adair County Collector, Sonja Harden; Adair County Recorder, Pat Shoush and Adair County Assessor, Kent Bryant; Those absent were Adair County Coroner, Brian Noe; Adair County Public Administrator, Rhonda Noe; and Adair County Prosecuting Attorney, Matt Wilson.

Mrs. Collop stated that Lindsey Leckbee from the City of Kirksville was unable to attend the meeting this morning as scheduled. She had planned to speak on the "First Amendment Auditors" class she had attended recently. She will, however, be available to speak at the next Elected Officials meeting on April 23, 2019.

Continued on page 336

ATTEST:

  
County Clerk

  
Presiding Commissioner

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019**

Continued from page 335

Mrs. Smith spoke of the Legislative Conference that will be held in Jefferson City on April 8, 2019. It is a chance to speak with Senators and Representative and to learn of the most recent events taking place with legislation. Some issues she was aware of was combining counties and funding of charter schools.

Mr. Bryant stated he had hired an appraiser for his office. He stated that Brennan Bloskovich was doing a good job. Mr. Bryant wanted everyone to tell family and friends that Mr. Bloskovich would be out and about in the County. He also spoke of the possibility of hosting a Board of Equalization (BOE) meeting in Adair County sometime this spring.

Commissioner King stated MACC had students available for summer help and interns would also be available. He stated the Commission met with Ameren for the monthly construction update for the Mark Twain Transmission Project. All land acquisitions had been completed, tree removal was completed, poles were being set in Schuyler County, and the "live date" was anticipated in June for the north/south corridor.

Commissioner King also spoke of legislation in regards to Sheriff Departments regarding unlimited phone calls for inmates. Also, the County being responsible for all inmate medical bills while being housed within the jail.

Sheriff Hardwick said legislators were looking at reclassifying the criminal codes. He said the State no longer wanted to pay board bills and was considering paying a flat yearly rate instead.

Mrs. Decker spoke of the Circuit Clerk's office being required to take over the responsibility of the Municipal Court. She will be meeting with City Manager, Mari Macomber, and the City of Kirksville's attorney as well as others to talk about the logistics of how to proceed with the transition.

Mrs. Harden stated that the Adair County Collector's year ended on February 28. She will soon be presenting to the Commission the Collector's Annual Settlement. Mrs. Harden reported that revenues for collecting taxes were lower than last year, but is was beginning to pick up. The office is beginning to send out delinquent notices and will soon start working on the back tax sale for August.

Commissioner Thompson reported he had traveled to Jefferson City to testify on behalf of the Missouri Rural Crisis Center to prevent the legislature from taking away local control of the County Commission. This will impact local health ordinances which currently protect landowners from Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFO).

He also mentioned concerns that the Juvenile's 2019 budget reflected that the operation is leaning toward helping mental illness as opposed to criminal offenders.


Presiding Commissioner Shahan reported the annual "State of the County" address would be held Wednesday, April 4, 2019 at the Adair County Annex. The Commission will be addressing a 5 year strategic plan they are designing for the County.

Mrs. Collop reminded everyone to vote next Tuesday, April 2, 2019, in the Municipal Election.

Commissioner King stated they were trying to get a mold assessment of the Elected Official's storage building located at the Road and Bridge Department. Also for a quote to temperature control the building.

Continued on page 337

ATTEST:

  
County Clerk

  
Presiding Commissioner

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019**

Continued from page 336

The meeting concluded at 12:20 p.m.

At 2:00 p.m., the Commission participated in a conference call with Kayla Wilbers and Howard Carter from Huber & Associates. The purpose of the conference call was to review the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Technology Services for Adair County. Huber & Associates were contracted to prepare the RFP so the County can go forward with the bidding process to update computer services within the County.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on March 26, 2019.

**Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Tuesday, March 26, 2019:**

None

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Presiding Commissioner