

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2019
21ST DAY JANUARY ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on March 27, 2019 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

The Commission met with Glenn Smith and Steve May of Terra- Gen. Mr. Smith reported that he has been corresponding with Ameren on the progress of the project. He stated there will be representatives within the area that can be contacted during the project. Terra-Gen will obtain full notice to proceed with the project in August with financing being completed by mid-August. Once the financing is closed, then they can proceed with the manufacturing of the turbines.

Mr. Smith stated that the one-time payment due to Adair County 90 days before the start of construction would soon be sent to the County. Terra-Gen anticipates receiving more money proposals than they need for the construction loan. They do not require tax credit financing due to Ameren's purchase. Ameren will get the tax credits which will start to phase out and expire at the end of 2020.

Permitting activity is still underway and was delayed due to weather. The Department of Defense will be contacted in April and a storm water discharge project will occur in April as well. There are environmental surveys being conducted. Also, removal of acres from government CRP programs, etc., are underway. The overlap with acreage and the project area needs to be defined and all must be identified and taken care of. It is in the contract of the landowner. If this is not done, it will not be out of CRP and the landowner will pay all monies back to Terra-Gen they have received plus penalties and interest.

There will be a grand unveiling of the locations of the structures at the time of construction. Mr. Smith stated a third assent would be needed for road crossings/locations, but this cannot be done until April or May. Mr. Smith will get hold of Ivan Schraeder, the attorney working on this project for Adair and Schuyler Counties.

Other items discussed included: there did not appear to be legislative opposition to the towers being locally taxed; in regards to the Use Tax, the contractor has final say as to where materials are purchased; there will be one hundred sixty-three 2.2 megawatt machines constructed and twelve 3.45 megawatt structures constructed - the larger ones will be in Schuyler County. Landowners will receive \$6500 per megawatt on 2.2 megawatt machines per year for use of their land; and \$22,425 per megawatt on 3.45 megawatt machines per year. There will 400 – 430 acres set aside to be managed by the Missouri Department of Conservation for bats. There will be automatic controls built-in to stop the units, and set-back agreements for ice coming off the blades. The blades are fiberglass with 100% steel bases. Approximately 20 permanent jobs will be created as a result of the wind turbine project.

Mr. Smith thanked the Commission for their time and will return in the near future to complete the third assent.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on March 27, 2019.

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ATTEST:


County Clerk


Presiding Commissioner

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Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Wednesday, March 27, 2019:

Jim Novinger, Roads

Rick Neely – Roads

Mike Jones – Rock

Michael Rocket – Roads

Gerald Tade – Rock & 911

Ed Snowbarger – Rock: Clay Way/Walkers Way/ Chase Way

Ricky Greenstreet – Rock

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