ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2019 13TH DAY OCTOBER REGULAR

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

At 8:30 a.m., the Commission met with Michael Duncan, Howard Carter, and Kayla Wilbers of Huber and Associates. Their goal today was to visit with each office holder or their designated employee to update new parameters for their office. They will go to each office and compare old stats with new and check access points for Wi-Fi. She suggested they may want to consider a 48 month contract to better serve the County. The IT director for Adair County will be Rob Johnson.

At 10:00 a.m., the Commission met with John Williams. He asked the Commission if they would open his road when there was a big snow. For 20 years he said it was not a problem. However last year he contacted Mr. Curtis, the Adair County Road and Bridge Supervisor, who talked very rudely to him when asked if the County could open the road in an emergency situation.

Commissioner Thompson stated that the road he lives on is legally closed. The County cannot commit on a regular basis, but perhaps in an emergency.

Mr. Williams asked if there was a 3 or 4 foot snow could he hire the County to blade open the road. The Commission said that was not possible. He lived on a private road and could do whatever he wanted.

Commissioner King said they were on a slippery slope – on a case by case basis. Commissioner Thompson said that if he had an emergency, he could certainly give them a call.

Mr. Williams stated that it was sad that what happened 40 years ago was now affecting him today. He then complimented on the road work that was done after loggers had been in his area.

At 11:00 a.m., the Commission met with Cheryl Elliott of the United states Department of Agriculture, (USDA). Also present was Dave Hurt, Financial Coordinator for the Sheriff's Department. Ms. Elliott had been contacted regarding a loan for communication equipment for the Sheriff's Department. They would be duplicating equipment used by the Highway Patrol.

Ms. Elliott said that the Sheriff's Department was eligible for assistance, but required 5 years of financials from the County. The grant could be up to 35% of the project. She stated that USDA would be receiving an additional \$1,000,000 in grant money due to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) payments. The fiscal year will be October 1, 2019 thru September 30, 2020.

Ms. Elliott stated the project could be financed for 3 years with up to 35% being eligible for grant funds plus an additional \$10,000. The entire project of approximately \$145,000 would not be subject to a prepayment penalty. The County would also need to provide 3 years of audits from the County plus a Revenue and Expense detail for the Sheriff's Department and the County's General Revenue Fund for the year 2019. They would need to supply State bids or go out locally for bid. The main contact for the County will be Dave Hurt. Grant award for the additional \$10,000 will be known by mid-November.

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Mr. Hurt will get the information together for Ms. Elliott in order to apply for the grant. The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on October 30, 2019.

<u>Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Wednesday, October 30, 2019:</u>

Raymond Sweet - Road

Franklin Wheeler- Road (Coyote Road)

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