ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 14TH DAY JULY ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on September 4, 2019 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. Adair County 1st District Commissioner, Bill King, and Adair County 2nd District Commissioner, Mark Thompson, were present. Adair County Presiding Commissioner, Mark Shahan, was absent.

The Commission met with Robert Lewis, Jr. and Robert Lewis, Sr. to discuss the railroad bridge on Titan Lane. Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railway had met with the Commission on August 27, 2019. They told the Commission they want to remove the bridge on Titan Way and replace the bridge on Cranberry Way. They indicated they would look into rebuilding a County bridge on the other side of the railroad to help with access to the land farmed by the Lewis's.

Second District Commissioner Thompson told the Lewis's that the Commission wanted to know what they wanted and needed.

Robert Lewis, Sr. stated that he wanted both bridges to be fixed. He said not having the railroad bridge would be an inconvenience in getting to his field. If he had to go around, it put him a mile and a half out of his way. He said that the kids come out there to party, but don't cause trouble. The only problem was that glass bottles were being thrown into the fields. He wanted the County bridge replaced, to keep the railroad bridge, and have the approaches to it checked.

Robert Lewis, Jr. stated that they have used the bridge many times and never felt it was unsafe. He said it handles their equipment just fine. There have been a couple fires started on the bridge. One time he was on an ATV and people were actually having a picnic in the middle of the bridge. He was able to go around them with no problem.

First District Commissioner King stated they were talking with them to find out options to make everyone happy.

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

<u>Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Wednesday, September 4, 2019:</u>

None

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ATTEST:

County Clerk

Presiding Commissioner

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