ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2020 12TH DAY JULY REGULAR

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on July 28, 2020 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

At 10:00 a.m., the Elected Official's monthly meeting was held in the third-floor courtroom to practice social distancing due to the coronavirus. Attending the meeting were Adair County Presiding Commissioner, Mark Shahan; Adair County 1st District Commissioner, Bill King; Adair County 2nd District Commissioner, Mark Thompson; Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop; Adair County Treasurer, Lori Smith; and Adair County Assessor, Kent Bryant; Those absent were Adair County Sheriff, Robert Hardwick; Adair County Coroner, Brian Noe; Adair County Circuit Clerk, Linda Decker; Adair County Prosecuting Attorney, Matt Wilson; Adair County Collector, Sonja Harden; and Adair County Recorder, Pat Shoush.

Commissioner Shahan reported of a proposal worth 3.5 million dollars with Burlington Northern/Santa Fe Railroad. The County would also be eligible for an additional 2 million dollars in soft match credit from the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). This would bring the total benefit to the County of 5.5 million dollars to build/replace bridges throughout the County.

Commissioner King stated they have obtained affidavits from individuals who were involved in the building of Hungry Hollow Road in the 1980's. The affidavits state that the City of Kirksville is the owner of the road. They have been sent to the City's attorney.

Commissioner Thompson said the County has a road use agreement with Terra Gen Wind Farms. They need to comply with the road use agreement before the County will agree to release them from liability. There are concerns regarding money given to MoDOT from Terra Gen to repair roads due to construction of the wind farm in Adair and Schuyler Counties. He said that State Highway T, State Highway A, and State Highway J are dangerous. People are not happy.

The possibility of 60% abatement statewide for wind farms was then discussed. The Commission has contacted Senators and Representatives. Mr. Bryant wanted the cost of the wind unit. Solar companies are not taxable and there was discussion as to who pays the taxes on the structures.

Ms. Smith has a teleconference today with the Missouri Association of Counties (MAC). Plans are still ongoing for her to attend the summer MAC representative meeting. Several financial items are addressed at this meeting. She discussed that some elected officials did not want to attend their mandatory continuing education due to the ongoing coronavirus situation. Some think they can waive or not attend at all, but they are statutorily bond to complete the education. Some elected officials will be attending virtually.

Commissioner Thompson said that the County Commissioners of the Missouri Association of Counties (CCAM) is working on legislation for counties to not be responsible for Judicial legal fees during Judicial Finance proceedings.

Mrs. Collop reminded everyone to vote on Tuesday for the August 4 Primary Election. Absentee voting will continue until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 3 at the Annex Building.

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At 1:30 p.m., the Commission did not have any new applications from organizations within Adair County for funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The application from Brashear Bed and Breakfast continues to be reviewed by the Northeast Missouri Planning Commission, Adair County CARES Funding Administrator.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on July 28, 2020.

Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Tuesday, July 28, 2020:

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