

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2016
12TH DAY JANUARY ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on February 29, 2016 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

After discussion, Commissioner Thompson moved to participate in Missouri's Highway Safety Program. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion with all in favor.

At 10:45 a.m., the Commission met with Glen Balliew, Public Works Director for the City of Kirksville. Mr. Balliew wanted to discuss Laurel Lane. The City is preparing to build a new waste water treatment plant which is located on Laurel Lane.

Mr. Balliew stated it was required that the contractor for the new plant bring the road (Laurel Lane) back to its original condition after construction of the plant. The City is proposing to destroy the asphalted area of the road and return it to gravel. They feel this would better serve the need to access the waste water treatment plant. The question Mr. Balliew was asking pertained to the future upkeep of the road once this occurred.

Mr. Balliew asked the length of the road and the amount of gravel that would be needed for maintenance. The Commission would need to obtain this information from the Adair County Road and Bridge Supervisor, Isaiah Curtis. Mr. Balliew also asked if matching funds for future maintenance could be an option.

Commissioner Adams stated that personally he was in favor of tearing up the existing asphalt and replacing it with gravel. However, much of the future damage incurred on the road would be from the City as there was only one residence located on the road besides the waste water treatment plant.

Mr. Balliew stated the City could put some money in the budget for the road, but farmers would still use the road. Commissioner Adams said there was no farmland and only one residence on the road.

Mr. Balliew said that City crews would tear the road up this week and it should only take 1 to 1 ½ days. The road would then need to be rocked right away and asked if the Commission was willing to rock Laurel Lane at that time. The Commission agreed. Mr. Balliew said there was a possibility that the City could create a rock base when tearing up the asphalt.

The cost share of future maintenance was again brought up. Commissioner Thompson said if this was agreed to, it would parallel with the agreement the County has with the Conservation Department. The Commission requested that the final decision regarding the future maintenance of Laurel Lane be in writing.

Mr. Balliew will arrange a meeting with the road supervisors from each entity to evaluate the project and then approach the City Manager with the Commission's cost share proposal.

Commissioner Pickens signed "A Resolution of Support and Participation in the Northeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission and Economic Development District."

The Commission spent the rest of the day attending to County business.

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ATTEST: *Dandra Collop*
County Clerk

 Stanley Pickens
Presiding Commissioner