ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES **MONDAY, JULY 31, 2017** 12TH DAY JULY REGULAR

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on July 31, 2017 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present. Presiding Commissioner Pickens was present until 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Thompson will continue to be acting Presiding Commissioner during the absence of Presiding Commissioner Pickens.

At 9:30 a.m., the Commission met with walk-ins Donna Brown with the Wedding Library and Honi Brown with The Kirksville Daily Express. Ms. Brown proposed arranging a Small Business Saturday once a month and would need permission to use the courthouse lawn for such an event. Her business is wedding planning and promoting vendors within the area to her clients and at bridal shows. Ms. Brown wants to get the downtown businesses, along with other small businesses and home based business involved. She hopes this would help promote the downtown area as well as the businesses.

Commissioner King said they would have to check with the City of Kirksville also for any regulations regarding their activities. Honi Brown said that when she was in St. Joseph they had a similar event all twelve months. Commissioner King said they would consider it as long as they could get a majority of the downtown businesses to go along with it. Donna Brown said she would get with Sara at the City on regulations. She was advised to also check with the Area Chamber of Commerce for conflicts with other activities also planned for the downtown area that would not necessarily be on the schedule for the Courthouse lawn use.

Commissioner Thompson asked if they would need to have access to the facilities and that they would be responsible for set-up and clean-up of the area.

Honi Brown said she had been in the newspaper business for 20 years, mainly in marketing, and hoped that she could get the Daily Express to be more active in marketing the actual community.

The Commission thanked them for coming in and advised them to schedule a meeting to officially request the use of the lawn.

At 10:30 a.m., the Commission reviewed an agreement that would share the maintenance of Laurel Lane with the City of Kirksville. The County would supply and spread the rock for the road in odd numbered years and in even numbered years the City would purchase the rock, while the County would apply it. The agreement will be sent to the City of Kirksville for their approval.

Commissioner Thompson moved to accept and sign the agreement. Commissioner King seconded the motion. Presiding Commissioner Pickens was in favor with all Commissioners being in favor of the motion.

John Dwiggins, Howe & Company, met with Presiding Commissioner Stanley Pickens and 1st District Commissioner Bill King to discuss possible new BRO Bridge projects. Second District Commissioner Mark Thompson was unavailable.

Mr. Dwiggins asked if Adair County had any new BRO projects ready to start and offered to discuss bridges that met BRO requirements. Commissioner King stated that they would discuss possible bridges with Isaiah Curtis, Road and Bridge Supervisor, because he was most aware of the condition of bridges. Mr. King asked Beth Platz to make a copy of the list of bridges that Mr. Dwiggins provided.

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Commissioner King said that the railroad had offered the bridges on Titan Lane and Cranberry Lane to the County but at this time they were not accepting those bridges. Mr. Dwiggins told the Commission if they decided to take the bridges he would help them set up a Bridge Engineering Assistants Program (BEEP) study. He said that a BEEP study would not cost the County because it was paid for by the State. He said that this study would tell the cost to build the bridge.

The meeting ended at 11:55 with Mr. Dwiggins inviting the Commission to lunch. All three Commissioners were available at this time.

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

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on July 31, 2017.

Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Monday, July 31, 2017:

Donna Brown – trying to set-up "Small Business Saturday" on Courthouse lawn during Farmer's market.

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Presiding Commissioner