

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2016
12TH DAY OCTOBER REGULAR**

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on October 31, 2016 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop, informed the Commission that a hearing had been scheduled by the Honorable Terry A. Tschannen, Circuit Judge of the 9th Judicial Circuit (Linn County). It will begin at 10:30 a.m. on November 3, 2016 at the Linneous Courthouse regarding the Greentop Volunteer Fire Association vs. Stanley Pickens, ET AL Case No. 16AR-CV00719. Ivan Schraeder from Lowenbaum Law is representing the County in this matter.

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

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on October 31, 2016.

IN REF. ORDER NO 14 Minutes from October 3, 2016 Schuyler County Commission regarding meeting with Ameren UE concerning Mark Twain Transmission Line

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The Schuyler County Commission convened with the following officers and members present: Rodney Cooper, Presiding Commissioner, Jim Werner, Associate Commissioner, Jeff Lindquist, Associate Commissioner, Bree Shaw, County Clerk.

The following business was had to wit:

Herb Austin was in to see about getting the trees trimmed on New Hope Rd. Herb is going to talk with Tri-County Electric to see if they would be the ones to trim them because of the power lines and then will get back with the commissioners.

September 26, 2016 minutes were read and approved.

A meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. with Ameren UE in regards to the Mark Twain Transmission Line. A group of people from Neighbors United, several other citizens, Prosecuting Attorney Lindsay G. Graycet and Sheriff Joe Wuebke were all in attendance for the meeting.

Rodney called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Jim Jonny, the project manager for the Mark Twain Transmission Line spoke to the commissioners and the crowd about their projected project.

\$560,000 in tax money is what they project that Schuyler County will receive. Jim Jonny asked the commissioners to sign an assent. He asked the commissioners if they had any questions in regards to the assent or anything that he spoke about. All commissioners did not have any questions.

Jim Werner asked if they had all easements from landowners in the Schuyler County, Jim Jonny stated that they did not.

David Sidwell voiced his opinion on the testimony that was in the PSC. He said he is sickened by the behavior of the company and that they treat Missouri residents horrible.

A citizen said that they are saying the local fire departments are going to benefit from them coming into the county. He wanted to know how that was going to benefit from that when they are a volunteer fire department and do not receive any tax revenue. Leah Detmers stated that if they were on the tax roll they would.

A citizen from Adair County stated that they do have easements across Adair County and have tried to convince them that they are going to be good neighbors. He feels that they are not good neighbors and have been on his property knocking down hay and do some other damage to his property while just out looking at things. He stated that anyone from Ameren or associated with Ameren that wants to go onto his property will go to him personally with a photo idea and he will have them sign some documents before he even allows them on his property. This is due to malicious conduct that has been done on his property.

Greg Lawrence from Adair County stated that they have found out what kind of people we are dealing with when dealing with Ameren. He stated that when Ameren has had meetings in the past that if you did not sign in you were not allowed in the meeting and if you did sign in and started asking questions you were escorted out.

A citizen stated that he feels Ameren has been deceitful from the very beginning. He feels that they are a very deceitful.

A citizen from Adair County asked if we received a mailing from Ameren stating some things that our county would receive from the project. She feels that it was highly misrepresented. She presented some pictures to the commissioners showing some damages to a landowner from Ameren being on their property. Jim Jonny stated that the pictures were from a landowner in Marion County and that they have been in contact with that landowner to make things right. Jim did say that they would ask for temporary permission to access the roads that they would make the necessary improvements to the road. A citizen asked what they would do to the landowners property if they did any damages to it. Jim Jonny stated that they would do whatever the landowner felt they needed to do. A citizen asked if they had proof of repairing roads and properties. Jim Jonny stated that they do and he could get that information for them.

A citizen asked what the revenue a year on this project would be. Jim Jonny stated he was unable to answer that question.

David Sidwell commented that every time they say "projected project", it drives people away from their properties and it causes the resale value on the properties to go down.

A citizen wanted to know how much profit they were going to make from this project. Jim Jonny stated that they would be making approximately 10%.

A citizen asked if the PSC Regulations will profit off of Ameren. Ameren representatives stated that the return in investments was previously in the 12% and is now around 10.5-10.8%.

John Weaver asked the commissioners to deny the request of signing the assent.

Nate Walker stated that he had met with representatives from Ameren a couple of years ago in regards to this proposed project. He felt that Ameren was disrespectful and disingenuous to property owners in several counties. He stated that he was open minded at the beginning but is now opposed to this project. He recommended that our county join the other 4 counties and not give them the assent.

Rodney made a motion to not sign the assent. Vote Rodney- yes, Jim- yes and Jeff- yes.

Meeting with Ameren was finished around 10:45 a.m.

Eric Bergstrom with Terra-Geo was in to update the commissioners about the proposed wind project for Schuyler County.

ATTEST:


County Clerk


Presiding Commissioner