

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2018
23RD DAY JULY ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on September 25, 2018 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

At 10:30 a.m., the Elected Official's monthly meeting was held in the Commissioner's Suite of the Courthouse. Attending the meeting were Adair County Presiding Commissioner, Stanley Pickens; Adair County 1st District Commissioner, Bill King; Adair County 2nd District Commissioner, Mark Thompson; Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop; Adair County Collector, Sonja Harden; Adair County Public Administrator, Rhonda Noe; and Adair County Circuit Clerk, Linda Decker. Those absent were Adair County Recorder, Pat Shoush; Adair County Treasurer, Lori Smith; Adair County Sheriff, Robert Hardwick; Adair County Assessor, Donnie Waybill; Adair County Prosecuting Attorney, Matt Wilson; and Adair County Coroner, Brian Noe.

Mrs. Decker informed the Commission they would be receiving a petition in the mail for the formation of a new fire district. The district will include all of Adair County excluding the City of Kirksville, the Municipality of Greentop, and that portion of the La Plata Fire Protection District that is in Adair County. She was required by law to send the County Commission a copy by registered mail.

Mrs. Decker also stated that currently four condemnation suits had been filed by Ameren in conjunction with the Mark Twain Transmission Project; a new way to process tickets within the court system known as Show Me Courts was beginning to be utilized; and there was a possibility that the Municipal Court Division could shut-down across the State as it was not a money making program. If this would be the case, an increased work load would be placed upon the County Court System.

Mrs. Collop reported that today marked the beginning of absentee voting in Adair County for the Tuesday, November 6, 2018 General Election. Absentee voting will continue until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2018. All registered voters would then cast a ballot at their designated polling location.

Mrs. Collop passed out final audit reports from independent auditors Daniel Jones & Associates, Certified Public Accountants. The audit period was FYE December 31, 2017 and 2016. She reported there were no State findings for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016; there were no financial statement findings for the years ended December 31, 2017, and December 31, 2016; and there were no financial statement findings for the years ended December 31, 2015, and December 31, 2014. Hard copy audit reports as well as electronic reports will be available to each Elected Official.

She reported that postcards were sent by the Missouri Secretary of State's Office to everyone in the State who were eligible to vote but may not be registered to vote.

She distributed copies of Missouri Statute 50.327 regarding base salary schedules for County Officials with the salary commission being responsible for computation of County Official salaries, except for charter counties.

Mrs. Collop also reported that she had attended the National Election Security Summit hosted by Missouri Secretary of State, Jay Ashcroft. The summit was attended by 25 states and focused on evolving cyber security demands for elections.

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ATTEST: *Sandra Collop*
County Clerk

 Stanley Pickens
Presiding Commissioner

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Mrs. Harden reported that the 2018 Back Tax Sale was over and several properties had been sold. For security purposes, Law Enforcement would be present at each sale in the future. The Collector's Office currently conducts the sale with properties 3 years in arrears, but is considering using 2 years as a basis. This would enable better opportunities to contact property owners. The Collector's Office continues to work with Clear Basin to change software programs for the office. Both the old and the new systems will run concurrently until the new system is fully operational.

Mrs. Noe discussed SB806 which revamped the conservatorship/guardianship law. She actually helped on language for the bill that affects reporting for the Public Administrator. It has "beefed up" provisions for the County as well as the Public Administrator. Mrs. Noe stated that the Public Administrator should be the guardian of last resort, but is not. She also reported that her phones and computers were working efficiently again due to an upgrade by the County's IT provider.

Presiding Commissioner Pickens had nothing to report.

Commissioner King reminded everyone that budget planning would soon begin and everyone needed to take a look at their computers and make sure they would be compliant in 2019.

Commissioner Thompson reported that he had attended a recycling conference. He spoke of glass recycling into a "powdered sugar" like substance used in the manufacturing of fiberglass; with 40% of waste going to sand blasting materials.

He also attended the Northwest Missouri County Commissioner and Clerks Fall Meeting to discuss the effects to County property taxes for publicly owned vs. privately owned utilities. His emphasis was on wind farm generation. The Adair County Commission will be meeting with the Missouri State Tax Commission on October 11, 2018 in Jefferson City to discuss this issue. Currently there isn't any legislation addressing this issue.

Commissioner Thompson reminded everyone of the Candidate Forum sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce on October 16, 2018. It will take place at A T Still University.


He announced that Adair County Assessor, Donnie Waybill, would be retiring mid-term on November 10, 2018. The County Commission had the authority to make an appointment within 14 days after the vacancy. The Governor, however, had the authority to confirm or re-appoint an individual to that position within 60 days.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on September 25, 2018.

Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Tuesday, September 25, 2018:

None

ATTEST:



County Clerk



Presiding Commissioner