

Maysville, Mo.  
January 22, 2018

Meeting of the DeKalb County Commission

Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison, East District Commissioner, Garry McFee, West District Commissioner, Kyle White County Clerk, Melissa Meek, Larry Tiller, Darrell McManus, Tim & Nancy Walley, John & Jeannie Saunders, Bonnie Hinderks, Jim Rosier, Rodney & Waunita Stephens, John Murphy and Paul Rhodes.

Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison led all in attendance in prayer with all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

West District Commissioner, Kyle White made the motion to accept the agenda as presented. East District Commissioner, Garry McFee made the second. Motion carried. The minutes for January 16, 2018 were read and the motion was made by East District Commissioner, Garry McFee to approve with West District Commissioner, Kyle White making the second. Motion carried.

Rodney Stephens had asked to be put on the agenda to represent the visitor's in attendance to discuss their support of the County and Commission. The group recognizes what the Commissioner's job is and what they are able to do in the capacity of Commissioner in DeKalb County. They again have asked that all tax revenues that were collected in December be put in the paper for all patrons to see. They were advised this will be published in the papers that will allow it. Copies of disbursement of taxes were paid for by those that requested the information. It was noted that even though Wind Turbines were not something everyone cared for the revenue that has been disbursed to the entities is going to help them all financially for years to come. Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison explained to the group that at no time was tax payer funds used to host the NW Commissioner's Meeting. Vendor's are asked at every meeting to donate funds to take care of the meal and meeting. NextEra offered to pay for the meal and then other vendors sent money or brought door prizes that were given out during the morning. The United Methodist Church was paid for the meal in which they prepared. These meetings are held quarterly. NextEra is a large tax payer in the County. United Fiber was discussed and how much better it was than other cable or internet providers. The Commission appreciates the group's support and civil conversations that have been ongoing.

Mark Humphrey of Polk Township met with the Commission to ask for help on a road where rip rap is greatly needed. The township is asking that the County use their equipment to fill the ditch with the township purchasing the material. The Commission agreed and will have Bill Gray see what needs to be done to fix the issue. Mark also stated he did not like the wind turbines but the revenue from the taxes paid by the turbine company has saved his township. They were broke and unable to pay bills until the Lost Creek settlement. Polk Township is now able to employ 2 grader operators full time and have been able to purchase equipment.

Road & Bridge Supervisor Bill Gray met with the Commission to discuss brush letters, the issue in Polk Township, equipment needs and work to be done in 2018. He will get the specs on a piece of equipment needed to County Clerk, Melissa Meek and bid letters will be mailed to vendors. Bill thanked the Commission for making sure road & bridge has what they need to operate their department.

County Clerk, Melissa Meek discussed the budget and County Revenue. More funds will need to be in building and upkeep due to not knowing the cost to repair the elevator. When she gets the cost she will turn over to the insurance company but has advised all that this initial cost may not be the fix. The cost could be upwards of \$30,000.00 per the elevator company. She will keep them updated on the elevator and the progress made to get it repaired. The Commission apologizes to the citizens for it not being available and ask that anyone needing help call the Clerk's office at 816 449 5402 ext. 4. Melissa will make sure if you need assistance to get to another floor help will be available.

All elected officials have met with the Commission and all of their budgets have been approved. The budget will be finalized on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January at 3 p.m.

Assessor Tanya Zimmerman met with the Commission to ask for an adjustment on a patron's tax bill where a split had not been completed. The Commission advised that the patron should go back to the abstractor for correction on taxes.

West District Commissioner, Kyle White made the motion to adjourn until January 29<sup>th</sup> and East District Commissioner, Garry McFee made the second. Motion carried.