Meeting of the DeKalb County Commission

Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison, East District Commissioner, Garry McFee, West District Commissioner, Kyle White and County Clerk, Melissa Meek. Also attending were patrons Rick Munson, Bonnie Hinderks, Darrel McManus, Larry Tiller, Jim Rosier, Nancy Walley and Rodney Stephen.

Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison welcomed the group 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 2, 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.

The group attending today's meeting had questions on taxes and township fund balances. The request was made that the monies paid in by the Wind Companies be published in the newspapers and the breakdown of what each entity would be receiving. Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison stated that we would try to do that before the end of January. Harold also advised that a meeting that he had been questioned about and did not remember he had indeed attended. He apologized for not remembering a meeting that took place in September of 2015 but he also advised that in 2017 he had attended over 150 meetings and he could not possibly remember every meeting he had attended. It was also noted again that per our Attorney the Commission could do nothing to stop the turbines from coming to DeKalb County. The Townships have their own boards and set up their own rules and those that are zoned have their own set of guidelines that a business must follow in order to be there. The Commission will do its best to inform the public of any new businesses that are looking to locate in the County but most times the Commission does not know until the business is already getting established. There are 20 Counties in the State of Missouri out of 114 that are left with the Township form of government with DeKalb County being one of the 20. The Commission appreciates the support from all and welcome any patron to attend their meetings.

County Clerk, Melissa Meek presented a patrons request to have penalties and interest waived on a 2011 tax bill. The Commission denied request.

The County will follow the IRS rates concerning mileage which is .545.

Budgets are being completed by office holders with meetings scheduled the next 2 weeks.

The Commission advised that the County is still in charge of the fairgrounds. If anyone is going to use the fairgrounds they need to call the Clerk's office to be put on the calendar as well as give the County their Certificate of Insurance.

Road & Bridge Supervisor Bill Gray met with the Commission to discuss projects, needs for the coming year and brush letters.

Presiding Commissioner, Harold Allison and West District Commissioner, Kyle White will attend the Region D meeting on Thursday January 11.

April 28 is the electronic collection 1-5 in Maysville for Region D.

Joe Lear, Rob Kauenbach, Tom Fowler of the University of MO Extension and John Murphy met with the Commission to discuss bringing an Exension Office back to DeKalb County. The University of MO Extension would fund the specialist and their benefits for 2-4 years and then it would be reevaluated at that time.

West District Commissioner, Kyle White made the motion to adjourn until January 16th and East District Commissioner, Garry McFee made the second. Motion carried.