Craig, MO. hosting fundraisers for levee project

(KLZA)-- Craig, Missouri is making preparations to host a pair of events to raise money to build a levee around the community.

Located in Holt County, the community with an estimated population of 222 in 2017, was ravaged by floodwaters in 2019.

A committee has been formed to help find a way to build a levee around the community to help protect it from flooding.

The group has met three times now and plans are coming together on a couple of fundraising events to help raise money to build the levee.

City Clerk Missy Foster told MSC News the first event will be Saturday, February 15 at the Historic City Hall in Forest City. The event will consist of a music concert which goes from 5:00 p.m. to midnight. This event will be for those 18 and over and alcohol will be served with part of the proceeds going toward the levee fund. All the money raised from a \$10 admission will go to the levee fund.

Several bands will be playing including three from Omaha in addition to some local musicians.

The second fundraising event will be Saturday, February 22 at the school in Craig. Vendors will set up in the gymnasium in the morning and there will be kids games. In the afternoon there will be a musical show featuring Curtis Wayne Stroud, Grady Rivers and an opening act of Craig High School and Middle School musicians.

The committee is meeting every two weeks, developing ideas on where to get dirt for a levee, and determining the best place to build the levee and how to get people and businesses to move back to the Holt County community.

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