

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

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Juvenile Justice Center related to employment costs of Drug Court of \$27,000. Escrowed amount \$27,000 because Petitioner is required to fund Drug Court activities as a County expense pursuant to Sec. 478.001 RSMo, et seq. and because the associated contract for State of Missouri fiscal period 2014 prohibits the use of contract funds for employment purposes, training purposes, travel purposes. The Prosecuting Attorney represented that the desired transfer was to pay for prohibited purposes under the contract.

Response: The source for these funds is the operation of the JJC and not the General Revenue of the County. This budget line item is used to support and fund the Drug Court Case Manager which is a position in the Adair County Prosecutor's Office. This contractual arrangement was specifically approved by OSCA as being in compliance with the Grant provisions [Please refer to Exhibit B].

JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER

10. Line Item Revenue request (907-4-000-500.000) seeking revenue from Interest in the amount of \$12,000 is reduced to \$5,500 because of declining account balances which generate interest income and because of interest rate earnings reductions on the account balances.

Response: This is an estimate of interest income generated by JJC Reserve Funds. This does not involve County General Revenue.

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11. Line Item Revenue request (907-4-000-901.000) seeking revenue from OSCA grant in the amount of \$3,000 is reduced to \$00 because no grant has been provided showing commitment of funds by OSCA as of the date of the budget adoption.

Response: This is not a request for an appropriation from the County General Revenue Fund. These funds are generated by a multi-disciplinary training grant from OSCA. This is 100% reimbursement and has never been denied. The grant is not applied for until the need for training is identified.

12. Line Item Revenue request (907-4-000-902.000) seeking revenue from an unknown grant in the amount of \$3,000 is reduced to \$360.00 because no grant has been provided showing commitment of funds by an identified grantor as of the date of the budget adoption.

Response: This is an OSCA Grant from the Fostering Court Improvement Initiative. If the grant is not received, the money is not spent.

13. Line Item Expenditure request (907-5-001-100.000) seeking expenditures in the amount of \$141,500 is reduced to \$138,500 as explained in detailed breakdown attached as Exhibit B, page 6 of 8.

Response: This item does not involve County General Revenue Funds. These are revenues generated by JJC. The Judicial Circuit is required by Supreme Court Operating Rule to advertise employment opportunities and other Legal Notices.

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14. Line Item Expenditure request (907-5-001-200.000) seeking expenditures in the amount of \$32,000 is reduced to \$1,343 as explained in detailed breakdown attached as Exhibit B, page 6 of 8. The requested funds are an expense of the State of Missouri for the employees who are reimbursed by the state and who are seeking additional reimbursements from the County for the same travel and training paid by the state.

Response: This line item is not seeking funds from the County or from County General Revenue. The Normile JJC is licensed by the State of Missouri. These funds are generated by JJC and used to satisfy state mandated training requirements to retain licensure.

15. Line Item Expenditure request (907-5-001-300.000) seeking expenditures in the amount of \$72,500 is reduced to \$69,140 as explained in detailed breakdown attached as Exhibit B, page 6 of 8. Cell phone expenses have been removed because the County no longer reimburses for personal cell phones and land line expenses because the County provides County-paid cell phones for employee official business use.

Response: The Juvenile Office has employees on call 24 hours/day, 7 days/week. They respond to abuse and neglect reports and criminal activity reports. These are cell phones for business purposes only and are funded by JJC revenues only.

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16. Line Item Expenditure request (907-5-001-400.000) seeking expenditures in the amount of \$66,000 is reduced to \$56,400. There are 6 persons who have access to 10 County vehicles showing a lack of need for additional funds. Additionally, the County vehicles are fueled from County gas supplies. There also appears to be more gas being used than the County vehicles require for operations.

Response: JJC and the Juvenile Office must transport residents and detained youths, attend training and conduct investigations. There are 8 vehicles in Adair and two in Knox/Lewis. JJC & JO have total of 56 employees and are funded by JJC revenues. Use of vehicles is monitored and audited [See Exhibit D for a list of the vehicles].

17. Line Item Expenditure request (907-5-001-700.000) seeking expenditures in the amount of \$120,000 is reduced to \$46,800 because JJC has a full time employed general counsel on payroll who can provide the services without additional contract counsel(s) being needed" County is not obligated by law to provide counsel for indigent parents in non-termination juvenile matters.

Response: The source for these funds is from JJC operations. General Counsel represents the Juvenile Office in negotiating contracts and in Court proceedings. Contract Counsel represent indigent parents in Termination of Parental Rights proceedings. Supreme Court Rule 115.03 requires appointment of counsel for indigent parents, in every Juvenile case, if requested by the parents.

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ATTEST:


County Clerk


Presiding Commissioner