

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2013**

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The lower part of the plaque would have spaces to show the names of the first 18 recipients of the annual award. The plaque would be purchased by David Erwin and Ray Klingensmith and presented to Adair County to express appreciation for their friendship with Gary.

Mr. Erwin thought this was a good way to honor County employees. Commissioner Pickens thought it was a great idea. Mrs. Decker wanted to make sure to keep continuity in honoring an employee each year. Mrs. Noe felt that a small gift should accompany the award recognition. Discussion was held as to who would be a good candidate to begin the new tradition of receiving the yearly award to recognize a County employee in Gary's honor.

Mr. Erwin continued by stating he had conducted the annual Adair County Missouri Back Tax yesterday, August 26th. He had ten properties for sale and six tax sales certificates were issued. Deeds for these certificates can be recorded after one year from the date of the sale barring the original property owner does not retire the tax liability on the property.

Commissioner Adams stated that the repair work had been accepted in the attic. He reminded everyone that all the weight had been taken out of the attic.

Mrs. Decker reported that the ongoing situation with Judge Steele was "tense." She stated that he would stand in the doorway of her office and just stare at her. He fired an employee last week. Mrs. Decker stated that she appreciated all the work the Elected Officials and the Commission had provided to help keep the office running. She assumed there would be a new secretary for Judge Steele now that Tonya Lutz was no longer there. Kristen Toney has reportedly been filling in and pulling criminal files. There have been questions as to why a County paid employee could perform a State job.

Mrs. Collop stated that many of the County Clerks were looking forward to getting information defining responsibilities and duties of employees associated with the court system. These same concerns are cropping up in other areas of the State.

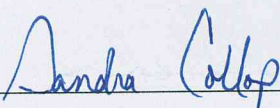
Mrs. Noe nor Mrs. Shoush had any information to share with the group.

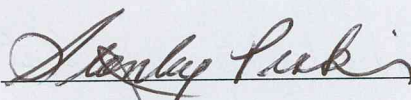
Mrs. Smith stated she had just returned from the Treasurer's annual training. She expressed how proud she was of the Commission for coming to Mrs. Decker's aid. She has heard only good comments from the public regarding how the Commission is handling the situation.

Commissioner Thompson stated that the Commission was working on establishing a burn ban ordinance. The County has received one reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), one approved and one was in process. He stated that two large bridges, one on Normandy Way and the other on Campbell Cemetery Trail, were nearly complete and 100% paid for with federal funds. He stated that four more bridges would be built in the near future also using federal funds. He also added that wireless may be installed on the second floor of the Courthouse and he feels the monthly Elected Officials meetings are good.

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ATTEST:


County Clerk


Presiding Commissioner