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Commissioner Thompson asked that a determination be made as to what they needed to bid on. Mr. King asked for clarification of bidding on a service contract only or for upgrading the existing equipment plus adding new equipment. Commissioner Thompson said he was not opposed to the upgrade. Mr. Hurt said he was convinced that no one else would want to bid on existing equipment. Commissioner Adams also added that they needed to go out for bid. Commissioner Thompson said they did not want to violate State Statutes. Sheriff Hardwick then arrived and stated that he thought CI 3 would be considered a sole source vendor and therefore thought the bidding process could be bypassed. Commissioner Adams had also contacted the US Marshall's office for information regarding the upgrade. Commissioner Thompson stated that sales tax revenues needed to remain constant in order to pay for such expenditures.

Mrs. Collop then distributed information compiled by the County Clerk's office tracking the Sheriff Department's revenues and expenses. The report begins comparing 2011, 2012, and 2013 budgeted revenues and expenses to actual figures for the same years. An estimated ending cash balance as of 2017 was calculated using information compiled for the 2014 budget. These figures were used for estimating 2015, 2016, and 2017 ending balances.

Discussion was held and it was noted that possibly as early as 2015 the Sheriff's Department could see a negative figure for ending balances in some of their funds. Declining revenues due to board bills being waived from the Circuit Court were discussed as well as dollar amounts that are set by the Associate Court for offenders to post bond. Sheriff Hardwick felt that both circumstances were affecting the revenues of the department. The possibility of converting the jail to a regional facility was also discussed.

It was agreed that the Commission would contact other counties about regional jails in their areas. A meeting with Judge Swaim to discuss bonding amounts would be scheduled and Mr. Hurt would prepare bid documents for a service contract and an upgrade on the existing equipment within the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Thompson asked that the bids be submitted separately as well as being combined.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on February 26, 2014.

IN REF. ORDER NO 14 Adair County Library Budget for 2014

IN REF. ORDER NO 15 Letter to House Local Government Committee not supporting HB 1728

IN REF. ORDER NO16 Income and Expense Projection for the Adair County Sheriff's Department

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ATTEST:

County Clerk

Presiding Commissioner

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