ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2014 7TH DAY JANUARY REGULAR

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on January 21, 2014 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present. The Adair County Courthouse was closed on Monday, January 20, 2014 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

At 10:30 a.m., the Commission conducted a budget hearing for the 2nd Judicial Circuit. Attending along with the Commission were Adair County's Legal Counsel, Ivan Schraeder; Adair County Associate Circuit Judge, Kristie J. Swaim; Adair County Circuit Clerk, Linda Decker; Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop; Adair County Treasurer, Lori Smith; Seth Shumaker, Researcher for Adair County; Taylor Mueller, Kirksville Daily Express; Louis J. Leonatti, Counsel for Judge Steele; Matt Holt, Court Services Administrator for the 2nd Judicial Circuit; Russell Steele, Presiding Judge for the 2nd Judicial Circuit; Jeff Hall from the Juvenile Office; Adair County Deputy Clerk, Tammy Miller; and a representative from KTVO Television.

Mrs. Collop distributed the Commission's budget proposals to Mr. Leonatti, Mr. Holt, and Judge Steele. Mr. Schraeder began the meeting by stating that the meeting had been posted to go into closed session if needed.

Mr. Schraeder asked Mr. Holt to provide a breakdown of the amount of time he spent each day on each of his positions and/or duties. Mr. Holt was unable to provide complete information other than he estimated that 2 to 3 hours per day was spent outside the realm of the Juvenile system. Mr. Schraeder asked him to provide a more detailed account of his time spent on his duties. He agreed to the request.

Clarification was asked regarding the \$35,000 Drug Court transfer from the Juvenile Justice Center fund. Mr. Holt confirmed that \$27,000 was the salary for Kristen Rouner and the remaining \$8,000 was for the Drug Court Checkbook. When asked if Mrs. Rouner's expenses were 100% reimbursed from the State, Mr. Holt said that mileage and training were not reimbursed expenses of the State.

Mr. Schraeder stated that the County had taken the stand that Drug Court is a State function and is not a County function. Judge Steel said he disagreed with the Commission on that issue.

Mrs. Collop stated that last fall she had asked that the County's federal tax identification number be removed from the Drug Court Checkbook. At that time, Mr. Holt had responded that he was in the process of getting that done. However, she had never been notified if that actually had been accomplished. Mr. Holt stated it hadn't been removed as they were waiting to see what was going to transpire with the possibility of the Drug Court money being collected by the Treasurer. Mrs. Smith interjected that she had spoken with Tonya Lutz approximately three weeks ago and told her that the Commission had decided not to be involved with the Drug Court. As a result, the money would not be receipted into the County. Mr. Holt stated he was not aware of what had transpired.

Discussion was held regarding \$16,707.00 requested from the Circuit Clerk's office to cover costs for scanning and e-filing. Mr. Schraeder stated that recent legislation permitted funds from the Law Library be used to cover such expenses.

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ATTEST:

County Clerk

Presiding Commissioner

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