

**ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2014
11TH DAY JANUARY REGULAR**

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on January 29, 2014 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

At 10:00 a.m., the Commission met with members of the Missouri Farm Bureau. Members present included Ashley McCarty and her son; Bob Jackson; Andy Jackson; Mike O'Brien; and Jack Winkleman. The Commission proclaimed that in recognition of the efforts of farmers on behalf of consumers around the world, they were joining the Adair-Schuyler County Farm Bureau honoring the agriculture producer by declaring February 2-8, 2014, "Missouri Farm Bureau Thank A Farmer Week."

At the request of Adair County Prosecuting Attorney, Matt Wilson, the Commission met again to discuss his 2014 budget. He stated that he had discussed the funding of Kristen Rouner, Caseworker for the Adair County Drug, with Judge Steele. He now agreed with Judge Steele that the Drug Court was a part of the County. He felt that the lack of funding that he had previously agreed to for this position needed to be addressed.

Mr. Wilson said that Judge Steele had explained to him that Mrs. Rouner was paid out of his Prosecuting Attorney Administration fund, but the money used for the expense was not tied to the OSCA contract. Even though the money had come from the OSCA contract to reimburse his Administration Fund for the Drug Court employee, it was not directly tied to the contract. It had been given to him, "the Contractor", who in turn used the money to pay the Drug Court employee.

He suggested that the Commission get a second opinion for legal counsel in dealing with their budget issues with the court system. He felt that their current counsel, Ivan Schraeder, was misinforming them of the association the Drug Court had to Adair County. He stated that after talking to Judge Steele, he now understood that the Drug Court did have ties to the County and wasn't merely a State function.

Mrs. Collop asked Mr. Wilson if he was asking to change his proposed budget figures for Mrs. Rouner. He said he wanted to put her salary back into his budget. The Commission said they did not want to be a part of the Drug Court since their legal counsel had told them it was a function of the State. They denied his request. Mr. Wilson stated that he could just order the Treasurer to pay Mrs. Rouner each month if that was what they wanted him to do. He then abruptly left the room. Approximately two minutes later, he returned to tell the Commission he didn't care what they decided and he would go along with their decision..

The Commission spent the rest of the day attending to County business.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on January 29, 2014.

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ATTEST:


County Clerk


Presiding Commissioner