

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014
20TH DAY APRIL ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on June 17, 2014 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

At 9:30 a.m., the Commission met with Eric Stopp, Partner and Certified Public Accountant with Nichols, Stopp & Van Hoy LLC. The accounting firm has been contracted by the Missouri State Auditor's Office to audit Adair County for the 2 years ended December 31, 2013. Eric Stopp and his associate would be conducting the audit.

Mr. Stopp had discussed the fact that he had been instructed by the Missouri State Auditor's Office (SAO) not to audit any records pertaining to the Court System. This included any account that was associated with the Courts. He said it would focus on the financials of the County and mainly involve the County Clerk and Treasurer's offices. He would also be speaking with other County offices to ask if there were any concerns that they may have regarding accountability issues.

Commissioner Thompson asked why they were not auditing the Court System. Mr. Stopp stated it was specially written in the contract he had with the SAO. Sandra Collop, Adair County Clerk, explained to Mr. Stopp the procedures the County had in place regarding the budget for the Courts. She stated that Adair County would be presenting their case to the Judicial Finance Commission on July 17, 2014. They explained to Mr. Stopp that the Missouri State Auditors had arrived in the County in December, 2013 and completed a policy and procedures audit. They left the County in April, 2014.

Mr. Stopp said he would speak with the SAO concerning not auditing the Circuit Court. He would see what could be done to get an audit. All he could do was just report their findings to the Commission and the SAO. They do not have the power to subpoena if auditing the court systems. He established that the Commission did not have outstanding ideas for debt in the near future. They would gather data until Friday, June 20th, then return to their office to complete any findings.

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

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on June 17, 2014.

ATTEST: _____

Sandra Collop
County Clerk

Presiding Commissioner