

**COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL JOINT MEETING, AUGUST 13, 2005**

The meeting was called to order by Council President, Ron West, with the following Council members present: Charles Canary, John Price, Josh McCarty, Paul Reed, Steve Hollenbeck, and Richard Mason. The following Board of Commissioners members were present: R. J. McConnell, Mitch Ripley, and James Rhoades.

**Budget Planning Meeting**

Michael Reuter appeared to give a presentation to the two boards on the fiscal plan for Johnson County after the proposed 2006 budgets were submitted. He distributed a new copy of the plan to each member and reviewed the new amounts.

He explained after entering the proposed 2006 budgets and the additional revenue expected from the Food & Beverage Tax the general funds deficit is \$2,377,140. The ending cash would be a deficit of \$1,218,402 at the end of 2006. He also reviewed the other funds such as Animal Shelter, Health, Reassessment, Highway, Local Road & Street, and debt funds.

Mr. McConnell mentioned that the Board of Commissioners would be willing to give \$1,000,000 from the Cumulative Bridge Fund and pay \$300,000 from the Highway Fund for health insurance if the Wheel Tax was implemented.

Discussion was held on the employees' medical costs and reviewing the current policy to obtain the actual cost the county pays per person per year for the plan.

Discussion was held on re-advertising the budget for additional debt service funds and to set the public hearing date for the budgets to September 1, 2005 at 8:00 am in the Courthouse Annex.

**Special Joint Meeting – Commissioners and Council – August 13, 2005**

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**Johnson County Auditor**