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Atchison Co Budget Process Nearing Completion

(KAIR)--The Atchison County Commission is nearing the end of its yearly budget process.

Commissioner Jeff Schuele says a change in the financial software the county uses pushed the process back, though officials working on the budget have made progress with the backlog created with the change, and now believe the correct numbers and balances are in place.

Schuele also stressed the importance of reviewing numbers in past budgets in order to get the current one in order. He says that “we have to verify ending fund balances for 2014 because it effects your beginning 2015 balance, which we are in the 2015 budget, which effects your ending 2015 budget this year, going into our 2016 beginning fund balance. It's all crucial, it's all linked. If your numbers are off on projections, you can really cause yourself some problems, as well as being underfunded...and you don't want to be over funded, so you want to have the right numbers to use.”

Schuele says he expects the budget to be ready for Commissioners to review by next week's meeting, and ready to publish soon after.

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