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Harmon Releases Audit of Robertson County Fiscal Court

FRANKFORT, Ky. – State Auditor Mike Harmon has released the audit of the financial statement of the Robertson County Fiscal Court for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. State law requires annual audits of county fiscal courts.

Auditing standards require the auditor’s letter to communicate whether the financial statement presents fairly the receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances of the Robertson County Fiscal Court in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The fiscal court’s financial statement did not follow this format. However, the fiscal court’s financial statement is fairly presented in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting, which is an acceptable reporting methodology. This reporting methodology is followed for 115 of 120 fiscal court audits in Kentucky.

As part of the audit process, the auditor must comment on non-compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grants. The auditor must also comment on material weaknesses involving the internal control over financial operations and reporting.

The audit contains the following comment:

The general fund owes the road fund \$68,650 from prior years. In prior years, \$96,500 of restricted road funds was transferred to the general fund in excess of the approved amount, creating a receivable and payable between the funds. The fiscal court has made periodic payments from the general fund to the road fund to reduce the liability to \$68,650 as of June 30, 2016. Excess transfers of restricted road funds were made to the general fund in past fiscal years. Excess transfers from the road fund to the general fund are no longer being made.

Under the regulatory basis of accounting, fund balances are not adjusted on the financial statement for the unpaid liability; however, the liability is still owed. Restricted road fund receipts and disbursements are to be separate from the general fund. The general fund and road

fund balances have been adjusted in Note 11 of the Notes to the Financial Statement. We recommend the general fund liability be paid as money becomes available.

County Judge/Executive's Response: We will continue to pay annually as the Fiscal Court approves.

The audit report can be found on the [auditor's website](#).

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