

## **Commissioners object to expanded board for financial reasons**

It is unfair for taxpayers to pay a salary of two and a half times that of a working individual in Jackson County to a county commissioner.

One commissioner, Rick Dyer, earns for his part-time job as county commissioner \$136,000 a year or over \$11,000 a month in income plus medical and other benefits. That is, this one individual commissioner makes \$81,000 more than the average working individual in Jackson County.

The reason the current commissioners are objecting to adding two new commissioners is their financial greed. Elected officials should be working for the benefit of their constituents and not their personal pocketbooks.

In the article by Nick Morgan, Jackson County Administrator Danny Jordan stated that the additional costs for amenities (office space, hiring staff, overhead, etc.) would amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars if additional commissioners are added.

Note to Danny Jordan: Why not just simply do what the commissioners have voted for with the homeless, such as providing metal ocean containers for housing, or for teachers which is to use “temporary” classrooms that become permanent ... trailers.

I object to these scare tactics from the three commissioners and the county administrator. There are simpler solutions to expenditures for adding two new county commissioners and reducing to a salary level still higher than the average worker in Jackson County by about \$20,000 a year.

Maybe it is a time to change the individuals holding administrative and commissioners position in Jackson County for the wellbeing of their constituents.

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