Budget Committee Meeting

11/17/2023

12:00 pm

Members Present: Wayne Baumgardner, Zach Bledsoe, BJ Johns

Others Present: Raymond Funderburk, Tracy Rider, Troy Tucker, Mona Vance, Karen Arnold, Betsy Fisher, Tate Chanler, Rhonda Cole, Randy Hill and Joel Phelps.

Committee voted to “tentatively” approve the following budgets:

0101, 0102, 0103, 0104, 0105, 0106, 0108, 0109, 0117, 0300, 0304, 0400, 0401, 0409, 0414, 0416, 0418, 0419, 0420, 0423, 0500, 0602, 0800, 0801, 0802, 0803, 1800, 1802, 1005, 1006, 1007, 2000, 2003, 3000, 3001, 3002, 3003, 3004, 3005, 3006, 3008, 3009, 3016, 3017, 3019, 3020, 3025, 3026, 3028, 3031, 3046, 3405, 3407, 3500, 3510, 4800, 6009

Randy Hill spoke regarding the request for a grant paid position “Appear recovery specialist”. The grant is for $50k with the salary is $36k. Justice Bledsoe made a motion to approve to appropriate the money to County general for the position until we get the grant. Justice Baumgardner seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Betsy Fisher spoke regarding grant money she is expecting for building upkeep and repairs on the library. Funds needed are $40,500 in Building Maintenance. The grant will reimburse $27,000 and the county will pay $13,500. She also needs $20,000 to demo the building behind the library that will come from “construction”.

Justice Bledsoe made a motion to appropriate $60,000 to library 3008. Justice Baumgardner seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Salaries were discussed considering cost of living increases. Justice Baumgardner made a motion to take the following recommendation to full court; to increase salaries per year as follows:

Dispatchers $3000

Jailers $4000

Deputies $5000

County Officials $1000

Elected Officials $3000

Justice Bledsoe seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Judge Tucker discussed that dispatchers could be paid from the 911 fund. Justice Bledsoe made a motion to take dispatcher pay from the 911 fund instead of County General. Justice Baumgardner seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

A one time salary increase was discussed. Justice Baumgardner made a motion to take the following recommendation to full quorum court; $1,000 for full time county employees and $500 for part time employees with funds coming from the Corona relief fund. Justice Bledsoe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Judge Tucker presented Proposed Appropriation Ordinance No. 2023-18. Justice Bledsoe made a motion to present the Proposed Ordinance to full Quorum Court. Justice Baumgardner seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

All members discussed calling an emergency Quorum Court meeting 11/27/2023 to discuss all matters from this meeting. All agreed and meeting is tentatively planned.

Justice Johns made a motion to adjourn at 2:17 pm. Justice Baumgardner seconded the motion. With no further discussion the meeting was adjourned.

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Tracy Rider, Clark County Clerk