

July 19, 2016

BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Location: Franklin County Annex Building Commission Chambers

Chair Howard called the budget study session to order at 10:00a.m.

All Commissioners present except Commissioner Harris.

Jon Holmes, County Administrator, discussed the budget after it was put into the state budget workbook. The proposed mill levy for 2017 is 61.229, an estimated increase of .551. The change in the mill levy would increase the taxes on a \$100,000 home approximately \$12.

The budget as presented has an increase of operational expenses of \$151,753 and an increase in capital expenses of \$231,000. The capital increases are for four new patrol vehicles for the Sheriff's Department and one truck for the Planning Department. The Commissioners discussed the use of patrol vehicles in the Sheriff's Department.

The Commissioners discussed a request previously received for advertising funds from the Transient Guest Tax Fund for Cowboy Days. The County Administrator discussed tax concerns of who the check would be made out to. \$2,500 was originally requested, but the Commissioners thought \$1,000 would be appropriate and include free dump fees and free use of the ambulance for the cattle drive. Administrator Holmes will work out the details and take care of it.

The Commissioners discussed the request from the City of Ottawa for a \$5,000 donation for the teen park. Administrator Holmes said the request could be taken care of out of the Commission Fund. The Commissioners said they would like to offer the County's help as a partner when the building starts.

Jon Holmes, County Administrator, proposed the public budget hearing be held on August 3, 2016 at 6:00pm. The Commissioners said that would work.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11am.

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Chair