

2018 Budget – Budget Committee Minutes

June 15, 2017 6:00PM

Members Present: Ron Woody, Chairman; Commissioners: Darryl Meadows; Junior Hendrickson; Steve Kelley; Carolyn Granger

Members Absent: n/a

Additional: Jennifer Evans, Deputy Director of Accounts and Budgets, guests –Leah Watkins, Director of Schools, Eric Harbin, Business Manager, Board Member’s, Vic King, Nadine Jackson, Danny Wright and Roane County News reporter, Damon Lawrence

Meeting Convened: Meeting called to order by Chairman Woody @ 6:00 PM

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Executive Woody reviewed with the Committee and Schools the County’s Fiscal Policies

Fiscal Policies:

Funds Balance, Capital, Debt, Appropriations Resolution, Tax Resolution all of these policies were presented by Executive Woody. He explained each policies’ purpose and that the General Government and Highway Fund has an extensive capital plan and budgets and that the School’s capital plan and budgets from the 1990’s have basically stopped being used in the 2000’s. Woody stressed that a capital plan needs to be set in place for the school projects in the future.

Appropriation Resolution:

The Appropriation Resolution was presented by Co. Executive Woody. He informed the committee that the resolution will be reviewed a few more times before the public hearing with us making any minor changes to the fund appropriations at the last Budget Committee meeting.

Tax Levy Resolution:

The Tax Levy Resolution was also presented by Co. Executive Woody and this resolution could also see some changes once the County Commission approves the School’s budget and if additional revenues are increased for school capital projects.

Operational Statement:

Co. Executive Woody reviewed with the committee and guests the operational statement of the budget.

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School Budgets:

The Committee reviewed each school fund. Woody indicated that he had concerns with the school embarking on a school building program at this time because their operational funds appeared fragile and the capacity of repaying debt becomes available in 2023.

Eric Harbin discussed the Worker's Comp increase in the budget and Executive Woody explained that the budget committee approved a 20% increase across the board for each fund that makes a contribution and it will be revisited in the 2019 budget year.

Motion by Meadows 2nd by Kelley to forward the budget to the County Commission without any recommendations from budget committee.

On a **voice vote** motion **passed**.

Other Items:

1. Executive Woody presented the committee with a change in Fund (171) CIF sub fund that the Greenwood school funding of \$10,000 be taken from the \$50,000 appropriated for the old courthouse.

Motion by Hendrickson 2nd by Meadows to recommend the changes.

On a **voice vote** motion **passed**.

2. Update of the Operational Statement was discussed by Executive Woody and he explained that the Fund Balances will be re-estimated and be presented at the public hearing meeting next week.
3. A discussion from Executive Woody about the possibility of Harriman taking over the Swan Pond Sports Complex (SPC). Kelley and Hendrickson agreed that it is a good idea. Woody explained that Harriman would have to comply with the TVA lease agreement and in doing so it would remove Roane County from any obligations.
4. Executive Woody addressed the Board of Equalization pay be added to the Appropriation's Resolution and the pay would be based on 70% of the monthly amount paid per commission meetings. The calculation is $(\$205 \times .70 = \$143.50)$

Motion by Granger 2nd by Meadows to recommend the Board of Equalization pay be added to the Appropriation's Resolution.

On a **voice vote** motion **passed**.

Adjournment

Motion by Granger 2nd by Meadows to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Jennifer Evans