

Franklin County Commissioners' Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Workshop Session
July 28, 2016

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in a Workshop Session July 28, 2016 at 1:00 PM at Franklin County Courthouse County Courtroom located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas

Members present: Scott Lee, County Judge
Danny Chitsey, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Larkin Jumper, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Deryl Carr, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Sam Young, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Betty Crane, County Clerk

VISITORS: Sue Ann Harper, Betty Sue Allen, Robert Zinn, Julie Baxter, Jim Alford, Jerry Cooper, Ricky Jones, Ellen Jaggars, Tina Phillips, Randy Green, Chris Mars, Josh Daily, Robert Zinn, Gene Stump and Lillie Bush-Reves

Judge Lee called the meeting to order.

2017 BUDGET HEARINGS

Items discussed were:

- Recreation Facility / Sports Complex – reduction of \$20,000 / removed concession income and expenses, reduced supplies, fuel/oil and utilities
- Airport – Leave same as 2016 / check on lot lease fees on 17 hangars
- Hotel / Motel – Leave same as 2016
- Indigent Health Care – reduction of \$24,000 from 2016
- County Law Library – Over \$40,000 is in the Law Library fund. These funds can only be used for a law library. Discussed suspending the collection of the \$35 fee on civil and criminal cases in County and District Courts. Discussed having a public law library computer at the library for the public and one at the jail for the inmates
- Add 2 jailers and an investigator – There is over \$360,000 in Inmate Housing fund. Plan to fund an investigator through the inmate housing fund the rest of 2016 and all of 2017. The two jailers will be funded with inmate housing funds the rest of 2016 but will be budgeted in 2017
- Extension Agent – suggested one agent with a strong agricultural emphasis / reduce travel & expenses by half / no secretary
- Septic Inspection – Emergency Management / Fire Marshall will take on all duties / no secretary
- Make 1 employee part time in Tax Assessor's office working 20 hours per week
- Discussed cutting 1 employee from Justice of the Peace office or make one part time
- Discussed cutting 1 part time employee from the library
- Discussed elected officials reviewing their budgets and cut them by 5% or \$5,000 whichever is less
- Budget Workshop was scheduled for Tuesday, August 2nd at 2:30 PM

Commissioner Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Jumper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

I, Betty Crane, County Clerk certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of Commissioners' Court Workshop meeting on July 28, 2016.

Witnessed and recorded this 28th day of July, 2016.

Betty Crane, County Clerk