

Franklin County Commissioners' Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Budget Workshop Session
June 1, 2015

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in a Budget Workshop Session June 1, 2015 at 1:45 PM in the District Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, TX

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
Tina Phillips, County Auditor
Betty Sue Allen, County Treasurer
Betty Crane, County Clerk

VISITORS: Vivian Rhoades, Lillie Bush-Reves and Elected Officials and Representatives from each entity requesting budget requests.

Judge Lee called the meeting to order.

Lisa Lawrence, Franklin County Library Director requested no increases or changes in her budget. She did request raises for her staff if the county gave raises in 2016.
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Ricky Jones, Franklin County Sheriff requested funding for two additional jailer positions which will increase the jail budget \$30,618 but some of the difference will be made up in the law enforcement budget by some changes and reductions being made in the amount of \$27,850.00.
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Robert Zinn, Emergency Management Coordinator requested no increases to be made in his budget.
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Jeremy Cox, representative from the Mount Vernon Volunteer Fire Department presented the budget request in the amount of \$12,088.00 (increase of \$1,000). These funds are used in the day to day operations for providing fire service to the residents of Franklin County.
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Linda Hammond and Rhonda Weatherford, representatives from the Franklin County Child Welfare Board requested \$3,500 which is a \$1,500 decrease from 2015 budget. They reported these funds will be used to provide foster children with clothing, monthly allowances, birthday and Christmas gifts, summer youth camps, and counseling. They also supply the Rainbow Room with emergency supplies for removals, and provide public awareness of resources to prevent child abuse.
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Jennifer Jordan, representative from the Franklin County Airport requested \$400.00 in miscellaneous expenses for diesel and arsenal chemical and no other increases from the 2015 budget.
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Betty Sue Allen, County Treasurer requested no increases or changes to be made in the treasurer and indigent health care budget. See Volume 1Z Page _____

Willie Bane, representative from the Hotel / Motel Occupancy Tax Committee requested reserving some of the hotel / motel tax funds that were collected and not expend 100% of the funds. See Volume 1Z Page _____

Veronica Jordan, representative from the Franklin County Genealogical Society presented their budget request of \$6,000 (\$1,000 increase from 2015). They reported these funds are used for general operating expenses and the building fund for the abatement of asbestos and renovations of the former Crescent Drug Store. See Volume 1Z Page _____

B. F. Hicks, representative from the Franklin County Historical Association requested \$10,000 (increase of \$5,000 from 2015 budget). He reported these funds are for maintenance and utility expenses for the five properties operated by the FCHA. See Volume 1Z Page _____

Carol Gresham, representative from SafeT requested \$1,500 (no increase). See Volume 1Z Page _____

County Judge Scott Lee requested no increases in his budget. He did report if legislation passes giving county judges a raise he will do away with his travel expense of \$6,000 and also requested to reduce his per diem to \$4,000 (\$1,000 decrease from 2015 budget). See Volume 1Z Page _____

Auditor Tina Phillips requested no change or increase in her budget. She pointed out she will be making a correction on the current budget area on the Retirement and Death section of the budget that was presented in court today to \$6,515 instead of \$3,515. See Volume 1Z Page _____

Billy Saucier, representative from the Winnsboro Volunteer Fire Department presented their budget request and reported any amount would be appreciated. He reported receiving \$2,000 in 2015 from the county. These funds are used in the general operation expenses and upkeep of fire apparatus and equipment. See Volume 1Z Page _____

Donya Barker, representative from the North Franklin Volunteer Fire Department presented their budget request in the amount of \$7,783.65 (no increase). These funds are used in the day to day operations for providing fire service to the residents of Franklin County. See Volume 1Z Page _____

Eddie Rhoades, representative from the South Franklin Volunteer Fire Department presented their budget request and reported any amount would be appreciated. They reported receiving \$10,303.65 in 2015. See Volume 1Z Page _____

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

I, Betty Crane, County Clerk certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of Commissioner's Court Budget Workshop meeting on June 1, 2015.

Witnessed and recorded this 1st day of June, 2015.

Betty Crane, County Clerk