

THE MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL MET IN A BUDGET REVIEW SESSION ON MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019 AT 8:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: BRYAN COLLIER, KIM MERIDETH, PAUL PRATHER, DAVE ZOLLER, DANIEL ELLIOTT, VICKIE KIVETT AND KELLY ALCALA. ALSO PRESENT WAS DEB VERLEY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRAYER

Budget Review:

The following budgets were presented by office holders and elected officials:

- *Highway Department* - Ryan Goodwin, Morgan County Commissioner President
State has doubled engineer compensation, budget reflects an increase in superintendent salary, and increase in bridge materials. Bryan Collier mentioned allowing university students in their senior year to gain experience through an internship.
- *LIT Economic Development Fund* – Ryan Goodwin
Mr. Goodwin noted that there is an increase in the MPO contribution.
- *Cumulative Capital Development Fund* - Ryan Goodwin
The budget includes \$100,000 for real estate, \$6,000 for furniture, and building needs at the Administration Building
- *Commissioner Budget* – Ryan Goodwin
Included in this budget are two new positions, County Administrator and HR Director. Professional Services has been increased in consideration of maximizing/designing space in some buildings. There is also an EMS study project that is included.
- *Administration Building Maintenance* – Michelle Cooley
The equipment line has been reduced to \$3,500 from last year's \$8,000.
- *Courthouse/Annex Maintenance* – Bart Ewing
Replace push mower for next year, additional cameras for security.
- *EMA* – Mark Tumey
The budget includes a \$4,000 increase for the Administrative Assistant, a Hazmat trailer, and an increase in the education line. In 2019 \$81,000 was requested in grants and \$225,000 has been requested so far for 2020.
- *Sheriff's Department* – Sheriff Rich Myers
The budget includes a pay matrix for deputies and jailers. There is also an increase in overtime, uniform allowance, and vehicle maintenance for the additional deputies that are requested. A copier has been requested, new portable radios, and myfi wireless air cards.
- *Jail* – Dave Rogers
Operating supplies has been increased to include replacing mattresses at a cost of \$20,000 and the budget includes the cost for two additional positions. Included in the five-year capital improvement plan is \$686,500 for consulting and other items.
- *Work Release* – Dave Rogers
This budget also includes a salary matrix and an additional \$10,000 for inmate supplies.
- *EMS* – Donnie Warren
Added three positions as supervisors, currently there are 21 EMTs and 15 paramedics. The additional personnel would not be assigned to an ambulance and

would need leased vehicles at \$4,500 to \$6,500. Revenue is expected to be at \$3.8 million.

- *Weights & Measures* – Jeremy Belcher
Request to go from part time to full time in order to complete duties.
- *Prosecutor* – Steve Sonnega, Cassie Malady Starnes
Budget includes increased salaries in order to retain and attract employees.
- *Title IV-D* – Robert Hagee
Essentially the same except for salaries and computers.
- *Parks* – Jules Erwin
Part time properties manager was the biggest change to the budget. There is a lot of confusion over duties and job descriptions.
- *Solid Waste Management District* – Leonard Huffman
There are increased expenses for bins and the Tox Away event. It was recommended that the Council consider a tax levy for 2021.
- *Soil & Water Conservation District* – Warren Waymire
The drill is over 20 years old and needs replaced. The 2020 budget is lower than the 2019 budget.
- *Morgan County LEPC* – Becky Waymire
Training and planning for a hazardous materials event.
- *Purdue Extension* – Rena Sheldon
The Purdue contract is up by 2.5% and a 5% salary increase has been requested.
- *Board of Health* - Jeanne Lafary
Among the requests were a 10% salary increase, an increase in the board's stipend, a copier, and new computers.
- *Convention, Visitor & Tourism Commission* – Tosha Daugherty
The 2020 budget includes a \$12,000 increase in online ads for the visitor's guide and a downtown map.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:28 pm.

MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Bryan Collier

Kim Merideth

Paul Prather

Dave Zoller

Daniel Elliott

Vickie Kivett

Kelly Alcalá

ATTEST:

Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor