

Proposed 2001 Budget

TERM OF COMMISSION: November Session of the November Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Don Stamper
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller
District II Commissioner Linda Vogt
County Auditor June Pitchford
Deputy County Clerk Melanie Stapleton

The Presiding Commissioner called the Budget Hearing to order at 10:07am.

Introductory Comments by the Auditor

June Pitchford stated that this budget includes Joint Communications and Emergency Management. She stated that the Emergency Management portion of the budget was increased by \$5,000, in anticipation of the service agreements for the 29 warning sirens installed by the County.

Group Presentation

Commissioner Stamper noted the following:
Contractual Services-\$229,561 (with the city of Columbia for a variety of services)
Emergency Mgmt-\$62,000
County portion-12%

Jim McNabb stated that the overall JCIC budget for 2001 is \$1,913,700.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the JCIC Advisory Board and Mr. McNabb were asked to include forecasts on capital replacement costs and programming.

Jim McNabb stated that the budget included a 29.42% increase over the previous year.

Jim McNabb stated that in the future, Emergency Management/Civil Defense will focus on the revision of the 1993 Emergency Operation Plan. He stated that they would like to have an interagency disaster plan in place.

Jim McNabb stated that the JCIC budget was reduced, which resulted in a net savings of 3.05%. He stated that this reduction did not include the \$5,000 for siren maintenance

Jim McNabb noted that the city of Columbia also received a SEMA allocation. He noted that last year, \$12,000 was received in SEMA reimbursements. He stated that a \$39,000 reimbursement was requested for next year, of which they anticipated receiving approximately \$12,000. He noted that the funds would be shared equally between the city of Columbia and Boone County.

Jim McNabb stated that in the 1993 EO plan, each annex represented a different department. He stated that those annexes were taken out of the plan and forwarded to each department for review and revision. He stated that once the annexes are received back, a meeting will be held to discuss the revisions. He stated that an actual planning committee meeting will follow, wherein the group will design and discuss various, emergency situations from different perspectives (city, county, etc).

Jim McNabb stated that the EO center is currently located in the lower level of the Armory. He stated that when the Columbia Police Department moves, that area will be designated as an emergency operation center.

Jim McNabb stated that he has attended the ICS Training. He stated that ICS is training for primary response. He stated that the new EOC hopes to go beyond this into a unified command system which involves multiple jurisdictions. He stated that classes will be held on this type of training.

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Jim McNabb stated that there it would be of great value to offer a modified version of ICS training to elected officials, department heads, etc.

Jim McNabb stated that there is a full-scale, Countywide exercise scheduled for March 30, 2001 in Centralia.

Commissioner Stamper stated that the recovery period is as important as the initial response. He stated that this area needs better preparation for the period following an emergency/crisis/disaster event. He stated that the recovery stage involves temporary housing, supplies, etc in the days and weeks following an event.

Jim McNabb concurred with Commissioner Stamper's comment.

Commissioner Stamper noted that Jim McNabb is now the Emergency Management Director.

Jim McNabb stated that he would like to give the County a quarterly activities report.

The County Commission agreed.

There was no one present that wished to comment on this portion of the hearing.

County Commission Office

Commissioner Stamper noted that Personnel increased 20% due to the equalization of salaries of the elected officials. He stated that Dues/Seminar/Activities would increase by as much as 40%, however this would not represent a very significant dollar increase. He listed the various memberships of the County Commission

Commissioner Stamper noted that the County would need to do an RFP for a Legislative Consultant in 2001.

June Pitchford noted, in reference to the Legal Services account, that a large amount of those services pertain to Public Works issues. She noted that those services can be reimbursed out of the General Fund.

Commissioner Stamper noted that the County Commission office would purchase a fax machine and cabinet.

June Pitchford stated that the amounts in the County Commission budget for NACo Conferences was targeted. She stated that the MAC Conferences data was based on historical information rather than the maximum number of elected officials that could attend.

Commissioner Miller noted that all of her NACo costs would now be paid for by NACo from now on.

The County Commission agreed to set up a Budget Work Session to discuss issues brought forward during the Budget Hearings.

Commissioner Stamper stated that an evening public hearing would be setup to accommodate members of the public wanting to speak about the proposed 2001 Budget.

No one requested recognition to comment on this portion on the hearing.

The Budget Hearing adjourned at 10:45am.

Attest:

Don Stamper
Presiding Commissioner

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Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Linda Vogt
District II Commissioner