

MINUTES

BOARD OF BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Budget Workshop Meeting
November 5, 2009, 1:00 p.m.
Commissioners' Conference Room
Benton County Courthouse, Prosser, WA

Present: Chairman Max E. Benitz, Jr. Chairman
Commissioner Leo Bowman
Commissioner James Beaver
County Administrator David Sparks
Alt. Clerk of the Board Lisa Small
Clerk of the Board Cami McKenzie (via videoconference)

Benton County Employees Present During All or a Portion of the Meeting: Deputy Administrator Loretta Smith Kely; Finance Manager Linda Ivey; Assessor Barb Wagner; Erhiza Rivera, Treasurer's Office; Central Services Manager Randy Reid; Superior Court Administrator Pat Austin; Clerk Josie Delvin; Deputy Clerk Jackie Hill; Deputy Auditor Brenda Chilton; Auditor Bobbi Gagner; Rosie Sparks, Auditor's Office; Treasurer Duane Davidson; District Court Administrator Jacki Lahtinen; Juvenile Administrator Sharon Paradis; Jennifer Bowe, Juvenile.

David Sparks presented the revised budget reflecting the 2% reductions from the departments and the other requested changes that brought the budget to a net increase of \$350,000 in the positive. Mr. Sparks said the revenue projections were very aggressive so the Board would need to evaluate the budget mid-year to see if the revenues were coming in as projected.

MOTION: Commissioner Beaver moved to accept the recommendations and proposed budget as presented and requested the Board add back \$142,742 into the budget. Commissioner Bowman seconded.

Discussion

Commissioner Bowman wanted to clarify that the \$142,742 was intended to go back into the Family Services program in Superior Court and Commissioner Beaver said that was his intent.

Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The matter was approved to go to public hearing on November 23, 2009.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:09 p.m.

Clerk of the Board

Chairman