The meeting was held in the Rusk County Government Center third floor conference room #2.


Chair Boss called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Andy Albarado was present to review the Economic Development budgets.

Nanci Mertes was present via speakerphone to answer budget questions.

Sheriff Jeff Wallace and Debra Flater were present to answer questions about the Sheriff’s budgets.

101—Circuit Court—Reduced line 211 Contracted Help from $1,500 to $1,000.  Reduced line 221 Jury/Bailiff from $12,000 to $10,000.  Reduced line 311 Postage from $8,900 to $7,500.

106—Guardian Ad Litem—Increased 100-05-48500-767 Reimbursement Family from $33,000 to $50,000.

114—County Clerk—Reduced line 319 Office Supplies from $1,900 to $1,500.  Increased line 100-14-47300-000 Reimbursement from Local Municipalities from $7,500 to $10,000.

713—Equipment Fund—Removed $30,000 levy and budgeted $39,747 from prior year carry forward funds.

111—Crime Victim Witness Coordinator—Reduced 225 Telephone from $500 to $300. Reduced 349 Repairs from $100 to -0-.  Adjusted State Aid revenue to $16,830.

662—Economic Development—Reduced 316 Marketing from $12,000 to $10,000.

666—Tourism—Reduced levy from $33,722 to $32,500.

250—Ambulance—Reduce 810 Equipment from $15,000 to -0-.  Reduce 216 Contracted Services from $25,000 to $17,500.

255—Emergency Government—Reduced 225 Communications from $7,000 to $6,000.

610—Forestry—Reduce line 225 Telephone from $2,000 to $1,500.  Reduce line 229 Shop Utilities from $4,500 to $3,200.  Reduce 349 Working Supplies from $15,500 to $10,000.

Create line 530 Leased Equipment for rental of skid steer in the amount of $6,500.

613—Land Acquisition—Included carry forward amount in 2018 expense budget.

614—County Conservation Aids—Used carry forward as match instead of levy.

620—Parks—Reduce 249 Maintenance from $20,000 to $15,000.  Reduce 349 Working Supplies from $4,000 to $2,000.  Create line 530 Leased Equipment for a leased truck and rental of skid steer.

142—Information Technology—Reduce 216 Consultants from $10,000 to $5,000.  Reduce 216 Support from $34,600 to $20,000.  Reduce 319 Office Supplies from $1,500 to $1,000.  Reduce 332 Travel from $500 to $400.  Reduce 340 Equipment from $3,000 to $1,000.

130—Land Records—Reduce line 249 Office Equipment Maintenance from $500 to -0-.

651—SWRM—Reduce 339 Travel from $4,000 to $3,000.  Reduce 346 Operations and Education from $1,500 to $500.

690—Zoning—Reduce 319 Office Supplies from $2,400 to $1,200.

116—Courthouse—Added $14,000 for wages and benefits for lawn mowing to free up Maintenance staff time to work on replacing roofs.  Created line 530 Equipment Lease in the amount of $3,250 for rental of skid steer.

511—Fairgrounds—Created line 812 Roofs in the amount of $20,000 for materials to replace roofs.
105—Medical Examiner—Reduce 211 Consultant Fees from $1,600 to $600. Reduce 320 Equipment under $250 from $1,000 to $500. Reduce 348 Investigative Supplies from $1,770 to $1,270.

129—Register of Deeds—Reduce 249 Repairs from $200 to -0-. Reduce 311 Postage from $1,200 to $1,000. Reduce 319 Office Supplies from $1,500 to $1,000.

210—Sheriff—Reduce 250 Computer Maintenance from $8,000 to -0-.

211—Jail—Reduce 340 Equipment from $30,000 to $10,000. Reduce 343 Prisoner meals from $193,943 to $151,452.

119—Treasurer—Increase interest revenue from $90,000 to $100,000.

354—Recycling—Use fund balance instead of levy which reduces levy to $818.

518—RRYP—Transfer $20,000 from Youth Aids to reduce levy down to $4,207.

311—Highway Maintenance—Reduce Patrol Maintenance from $948,800 to $848,000. Reduce Beaver Control from $15,000 to $11,000. Reduce Winter Maintenance from $600,000 to $550,000.

440—Public Health—Reduce 225 Telephone from $3,500 to $2,500.

Include a two percent wage adjustment for wages that have not already been set.

Motion by Fisher, seconded by Hraban to forward the proposed budget to the county board as amended. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary

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