

MINUTES OF BUDGET WORKSHOP
BOONE COUNTY FISCAL COURT
Boone County Administration Building
Fiscal Courtroom (1st Floor)
Burlington, Kentucky
May 5, 2016
5:30 P.M.

ITEM I.

CALL TO ORDER

- A. Judge Gary W. Moore called to order the Budget Workshop of the Boone County Fiscal Court.
- B. Commissioner Cathy H. Flaig presented the Invocation and the Pledge to the Flag.

Present: Gary W. Moore, County Judge/Executive
Cathy H. Flaig, Commissioner, District 1
Charles E. Kenner, Commissioner, District 2
Charlie Walton, Commissioner, District 3
Bob Neace, County Attorney

Staff: Jeffrey S. Earlywine, County Administrator/Deputy Judge/Executive
Matthew H. Webster, Assistant County Administrator
Benjamin T. Reece, Treasurer/Finance Director
Scott Pennington, County Engineer
Lori Zombek, Director of Human Resources
Sharon Burcham, Fiscal Court Clerk

ITEM II.

READING OF SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

A. Judge Moore asked the Fiscal Court Clerk to read into the record the Special Meeting Notice. NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOONE COUNTY FISCAL COURT. Please Take Notice: A meeting will be held by the Boone County Fiscal Court at the Administration Building, 2950 Washington Street, Burlington, KY, 41005, 1st Floor, Fiscal Court Room on May 5, 2016 at 5:30 PM for the purpose of reviewing the FY 2017 Budget (all funds). This budget workshop for the Fiscal Court represents the only agenda item and no action will be taken by the Fiscal Court at this meeting. There will be no public comments accepted at this meeting. GARY W. MOORE, JUDGE/EXECUTIVE.

ITEM III.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Judge Moore explained this is a Special Meeting and the only item on the Agenda is the presentation of the FY2017 budget. Jeff Earlywine, County Administrator, will present the draft of which the Commissioners have a copy. This is a workshop for the Commissioners and staff to discuss and ask questions. Our next Fiscal Court Meeting will be Tuesday, May 17th which will have the first reading of the Budget. The second reading and public hearing will be June 21, 2016.

Jeff Earlywine, County Administrator, stated he wanted to publically thank the entire management team, in particular, Ben Reece, the County Treasurer, for all his work on the budget. Jeff presented a slide presentation providing a broad overview of the Budget including all major funds and significant activity to note for FY2017.

B. Discussion:

Commissioner Walton asked a question during the Health Insurance portion. Jeff Earlywine and Ben Reece responded.

Judge Moore commented on property tax revenues/payroll tax. Commissioner Walton asked about balancing out the revenue with a fair tax, eliminating some taxes.

Jeff Earlywine shared the need for fleet replacement; we are planning to restage our fleet and get new vehicles in the Budget. Another big project is restoring the Historic Courthouse.

Jeff Earlywine pointed out during the presentation on the Parks Department the original fort would need to be replaced. Members discussed the condition of the structure and what would be the replacement. Commissioner Flaig asked a question about the Valley Orchard Park. Commissioner Walton asked about the expansion of the YMCA in

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Burlington and the Union Pool. Discussion followed on the condition of the Union Pool and what is needed. Judge Moore commented on the partnership with the YMCA and the County parks.

Discussion on the Golf Courses, Commissioner Flaig asked a question about the water tank replacement and the repair of the golf cart trails.

Judge Moore gave an update on the Northern Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy. Commission Walton asked a question about the Heroin initiative funding and coordinating other community businesses into the program. Commissioner Flaig asked a question concerning the Drug office funding. Matthew Webster, Assistant County Administrator, explained the NKODCP held a summit planning how local institutions could become involved.

In closing, Jeff Earlywine thanked the Court for their fiscal discipline and shared a ten-year debt obligation comparison. Judge Moore commented on the County's revenue and bond rating and the success of reducing debt.

Judge Moore added the funding to implement the OpenGov program will allow the public to see financial records. Jeff Earlywine added the information will be loaded onto the County's website by the end of the year.

Commissioner Walton expressed his thanks to Jeff Earlywine and the Staff for the work on the fiscal budget. Judge Moore explained the County is required by law to have the Budget finalized by July 1st. Next meeting of the Fiscal Court is Tuesday, May 17th, at 5:30 PM.

ITEM IV.

AJOURNMENT

Judge Moore called for adjournment of the Budget Workshop of the Fiscal Court. Commissioner Kenner moved, seconded by Commissioner Walton, to adjourn the meeting. ALL PRESENT VOTING AYE 4-0.

CLERK CERTIFICATION

I, Sharon Burcham, having been appointed to the office of Fiscal Court Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate record of the actions taken by the Boone County Fiscal Court at the Budget Workshop meeting of May 5, 2016.



Fiscal Court Clerk

Date: 18 May 2016