

Jasper County Board of Commissioners
Budget Work Session
May 17, 2024
9:00 A.M

Chairman Henry called the Work Session to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Bruce Henry -Chairman, Steven Ledford -Vice Chairman; Don Jernigan, Sheila Jones, and Asher Gray.

Staff Present: Mike Benton, County Manager, Sheila Belcher, County Clerk, Larissa Ruark, Chief Accounting Officer

The Board of Commissioners heard from more Department Heads that requested budget increases.

Azalea Library

Stacy Brown presented the increases requested by the library. She stated that the City of Monticello has stopped their LOST contributions to the library. The Board of Education's funding is based on specialized funding. The Board requested a 10 year history of what the City of Monticello has provided.

Senior Center

Ms. Jacobs presented her increase that relates to cell phones for the Senior Director, Assistant Director and drivers. The increase also pertained to education and training.

Animal Control

The increases for the Animal Control Department were for:

- Septic pumping
- Part-time help
- Supply cost increases
- Pest Control

Human Resources

HR director discussed increases for the HR budget which included

- HR Director salary being added to HR budget from Executive Budget
- Employee Assistance Program
- Budgeting Software for employees
- Employee recognition

BOC Appropriation

Mr. Benton stated that he is not sure why we pay Excise Tax to the Board of Education

The Work Session was closed at 12:02 p.m.


Bruce Henry, Chairman


Sheila Belcher, Clerk