

**CASS COUNTY COUNCIL
AUGUST 21, 2015
FIRST READING OF THE 2016 BUDGET**

Council President George Stebbins opened the meeting of the first reading of the 2016 budget.

Auditor

Tracy Williamson made a motion to reduce/increase the following line items in the Auditor budget:

18001 from \$14,000.00 to \$6,000.00

32620 from \$5,000.00 to 0

47203 from \$10,500.00 to \$15,500.00

Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer

Brian Reed made a motion to reduce/increase the following line items in the Treasurer budget:

32410 from \$8,500.00 to \$5,000.00

18001 from \$9,989.00 to \$7,454.00

32646 from \$6,335.00 to 0

32620 from 0 to \$10,350

Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Recorder

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Recorder budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously. George Stebbins

noted that the Recorder could pay some of the extra help monies from other funds, if needed.

Sheriff

Grover Bishop made a motion to reduce the following line item in the Sheriff budget:

47245 from \$75,000.00 to 0

Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The line item zeroed out will be moved to Public Safety.

Surveyor

Stacey Donato made a motion to approve the Surveyor budget as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Coroner

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Coroner budget as presented, Phil Rains seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Prosecutor

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Prosecutor budget as presented, Phil Rains seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Assessor

Stacey Donato made a motion to approve the Assessor budget as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Title 4-D

Steve Kain made a motion to reduce the following line items:

32120 from \$2,000.00 to \$500.00

32130 from \$4,500.00 to \$3,000.00

32420 from \$400.00 to \$200.00

32620 from \$500.00 to \$200.00

32521 from \$500.00 to \$200.00

35100 from \$500.00 to \$200.00

47240 from \$1,250.00 to \$1,000.00

47281 from \$5,000.00 to \$1,000.00

Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Extension Office

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Extension Office budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Plan Commission

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Planning Commission budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Board of Appeals

Brian Reed made a motion to reduce/increase the following items:

18001 from \$5,000.00 to 0

12006 from 0 to \$3,000.00

Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Drainage Board

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Drainage Board budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Veteran's Service

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Veteran's Service budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Weights & Measures

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Weights & Measures budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner

Tracy Williamson made a motion to reduce/increase the following line items in the Commissioner budget:

15230 from \$1,815,000.00 to \$1,650,000.00

32620 from 0 to \$25,000.00

Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 6 yeas and 1 nay, from George Stebbins.

Government Building

Steve Kain made a motion to approve the Government Building budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Superior Court I

Brian Reed made a motion to reduce the following line items in the Superior Court I:

11013 from \$12,000.00 to \$9,000.00

11021 from \$9,500 to \$3,000.00

11023 from \$2,000.00 to \$1,000.00

23310 from \$2,500.00 to \$1,000.00

32410 from \$2,000.00 to \$1,000.00

Steve Kain seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Circuit Court

Brian Reed made a motion to reduce the following line items in the Circuit Court budget:

11013 from \$5,000.00 to \$1,500.00

11021 from \$15,000.00 to \$7,500.00

11022 from \$3,500.00 to \$1,500.00

11024 from \$ 3,500.00 to \$2,000.00

23310 from \$2,500.00 to \$1,000.00

32410 from \$2,000.00 to \$800.00

32521 from \$12,500.00 to \$5,000.00

32620 from \$17,500.00 to \$12,500.00

32660 from \$3,000.00 to \$1,500.00

35460 from \$200,000.00 to \$160,000.00

35702 from \$2,500.00 to \$2,000.00

Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Data Process

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Data Process budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Soil & Water

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Soil & Water budget as presented, Phil Rains seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Superior Court II

Brian Reed made a motion to reduce the following line items in the Superior Court II budget:

11023 from \$2,500.00 to \$1,000.00

32130 from \$3,000.00 to \$2,000.00

32620 from \$100,000.00 to 0

Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

County Council

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the County Council budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Probation

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Probation budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Court House Security

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Court House Security budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Defender Board

Brian Reed made a motion to reduce the Public Defender Board line items:

32620 from \$510,400.00 to \$490,000.00

32662 from \$2,000.00 to 0

32710 from \$24,000.00 to 0

33215 from \$15,000.00 to 0

Brian's motion died for lack of a second.

Grover Bishop made motion to approve the following Public Defender Board budget:

32620 \$510,400.00

32662 from \$2,000.00 to 0

32710 from \$24,000.00 to 0

33215 from \$15,000.00 to 0

Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried with 5 yea votes and 1 nay, from Steve Kain.

Sheryl Pherson and James Knight addressed the Council in regards to the Public Defender Board budget.

*Councilman Phil Rains left the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Park & Rec

Steve Kain made a motion to reduce the following line items in the Park & Rec. budget:

18001 from \$115,000.00 to \$90,000.00

42450 from \$15,000.00 to 0

Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Certified Shares – Clerk

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Clerk budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Certified Shares – Jail

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Jail budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Perpetuation

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Clerk Perpetuation budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Community Transition Program

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Community Transition Program budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Cumulative Bridge

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Cumulative Bridge budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Capitol Development - Commissioner

Brian Reed made a motion to reduce the following line items in the Capitol Development budget:

33251 from \$2,000.00 to 0

47240 from \$3,500.00 to 0

47310 from \$5,000.00 to 0

47321 from \$3,750.00 to 0

Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Capitol Development – Cumulative Cap Development

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Cumulative Cap Development budget as presented, Steve Kain seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Local Emergency Plan

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Local Emergency Plan as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Health Department

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Health Department fund as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Health Maintenance

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Health Maintenance fund as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Local Road & Street

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Local Road & Street budget as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety – Commissioner

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Public Safety – Commissioner budget with the following line item change:

47245 from \$60,000.00 to \$75,000.00

Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety – Cass County Emergency Management

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Cass County Emergency Management budget as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Highway Department

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Highway Department budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Park & Rec. Non Reverting

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Park & Rec. Non-Reverting budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Plat Book Upkeep

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Auditor Plat Book Upkeep budget as presented, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Election & Registration

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Election & Registration budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Elected Official Training

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Elected Official Training budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

911 Statewide

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the 911 Statewide budget as presented, Steve Kain seconded. The motion carried a vote of 5 yea and 1 nay, from George Stebbins.

Reassessment

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Reassessment budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

In Home Detention

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the In Home Detention budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Planning Department Non-Reverting

Stacey Donato made a motion to approve the Planning Department Non-Reverting budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Adult Probation

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Adult Probation budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Building Bond #3

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Building Bond #3 budget as presented, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Incentive

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Clerk Incentive budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Cass County Corrections

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Cass County Corrections budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Corrections Grant

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Corrections Grant budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Community Corrections Project Income

Steve Kain made a motion to approve the Community Corrections Project Income budget as presented, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Tobacco Education

Steve Kain made a motion to approve the Tobacco Education budget as presented, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Health Coordinator Grant

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the Public Health Coordinator Grant budget as presented, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CEDIT

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the CEDIT budget with the following reduction:

11010 from \$75,000.00 to \$73,000.00

Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Grover Bishop made a motion to move the Public Defender budget from County General fund to the Public Safety fund, Steve Kain seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Steve Kain made a motion to move the following budgets from the County General fund to the Certified Shares fund:

Treasurer

Recorder

Assessor

Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Payroll – Planning Department

Brian Reed made a motion to adjust the amount to be received as pay increases to the following positions in the Planning Department staff for 2016; the Director will receive a 2.6% increase for 2016.

Assistant Planning Director - \$1,500.00

Secretary - \$1,500.00

Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Steve Kain made a motion for all elected officials and directors to receive a 2.6% pay increase for 2016 and all other employees, unless otherwise stated, receive a \$3,000.00 dollar increase for 2016, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Brian Reed made a motion to allow a sliding scale for first deputy pay:

Office with one to three individuals working the first deputy receives an additional \$1,000.00 per year.

Office with four and above individuals working, the first deputy receives an additional \$2,000.00 per year. This will be done at the discretion of the office holder/directors discretion.

Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Brian Reed made a motion to give each of the following positions within the Government Building a stipend that is relevant to that specific position:

Circuit, Superior I and Superior II

Court Reporters - \$2,000.00

Prosecutor

Discovery Clerk - \$2,000.00

Office Manager – \$2,000.00

Title 4-D Administrator - \$2,000.00

Misdemeanor Secretary - \$2,000.00

Stacey Donato seconded. The vote carried with 5 yea and 1 nay from George Stebbins.

Brian Reed made a motion that the part-time hourly rate will be from \$8.40 to \$12.00 per hour and at the office holder/directors discretion, subject to the appropriated amount in that offices budget, Tracy Williamson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Tracy Williamson made a motion that the entry level pay for In Home Detention should be the same as the entry level Jail employees, and In Home Detention would no longer receive longevity in 2016 with this change. In Home Detention will follow the incentive set by the Jail.

Steve Kain made a motion to approve the Highway Department payroll as presented in the budget, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Brian Reed made an omnibus motion that all budgets presented today are approved, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

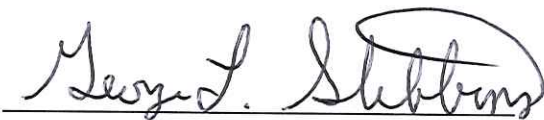
PUBLIC COMMENT

Jenny Clark, Surveyor, thanked the Council for the raises, but is unhappy that some individuals that are not elected will receive more than she in her elected position.

Sheriff Randy Pryor thanked the wage committee, Commissioners and Council for working toward unilateral wages with surrounding counties.

Dan McDonald, E911 Director, appreciated all the work that the Commissioners and Council have done.

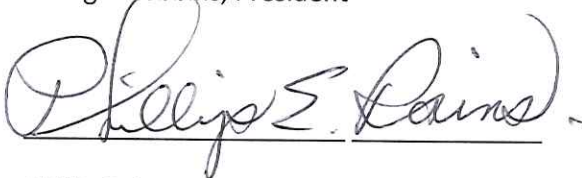
There were no other public comments. Brian Reed made a motion to adjourn, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



George Stebbins, President



Stacey Donato, Vice President



Phillip Rains



Steve Kain


Grover Bishop
Tracy Williamson

Brian Reed

ATTEST: Vaneen M. Ide

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor