

TERM OF COMMISSION: December Session of the November Adjourned Term

PLACE OF MEETING: Boone County Government Center Commission Chambers

PRESENT WERE: Presiding Commissioner Don Stamper until 11:15 a.m.
District I Commissioner Karen M. Miller
District II Commissioner Linda Vogt
Deputy County Clerk Michelle Malaby

The budget hearing was called to order at 11:01 a.m.

SUBJECT: Soil Conservation Service

District Manager Susie Forbis stated in addition to their annual request, they request \$12,000 as a one time allocation to print plat books. Local funds usually used to print the books have been used for legal fees. Plat books are typically printed every three years. The cost to publish plat books is \$18,000 to \$20,000. Advertisements support the remainder of the cost.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Ms. Forbis replied Miller Associates prepared the current book. People indicated they are not pleased with it and will not buy it if they prepare it again.

Commissioner Miller asked what was the nature of the complaints?

Ms. Forbis replied roads are not identified properly or are not in the right place.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stamper, Ms. Forbis replied they typically sell 1,500 copies.

In response to a question from Commissioner Vogt, Ms. Forbis replied they cannot sell enough ads to cover the entire cost. They can contract with the company who prepares the book to sell the ads, but they charge about \$3,000 and will not guarantee how many ads they will sell.

Ms. Forbis stated they are trying to establish a retirement fund for employees. They would like to participate in the county employees retirement plan if possible.

District Technician Richard Moore stated District Conservationist Frank Gordon reviews 20 to 25 subdivision plats each year. Each review takes about four hours. Future proposals include: road ditch renovations, using native plants to control erosion and reduce maintenance, and stormwater and urban erosion control.

Commissioner Stamper left the meeting.

SUBJECT: Sheriff's Department: Operations and Corrections

Commissioner Miller requested review of supplemental requests.

Sheriff Ted Boehm stated the traffic monitor is their highest priority. It monitors vehicle speed, the number of vehicles and the time of day they pass. It will help them respond to numerous complaints received from subdivision residents by helping identify when to be where. Their second priority is a clerical employee for the third shift.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, Captain Beverly Braun replied officers type report narratives. Clerks fill in the blanks.

Sheriff Boehm stated they request a voice mail system. If the GTE Centranet system is installed at the facility in connection with video arraignment, they will not need this system.

Video arraignment was discussed.

In response to a question from Commissioner Vogt, Major Warren Brewer replied there are six surveillance cameras in hallways. They would like to add 21 cameras to housing units, hallways, and the recreation area. This should be all the cameras they need, other than replacement cameras. Sixty five cameras were deleted from the original construction budget. Cameras facilitate defense of lawsuits, assist with surveillance problems caused by building design flaws, and increase employee safety.

In response to a question from Commissioner Miller, Major Brewer replied the category for seminars, conferences and meetings increased by \$5,000 in part due to a new law mandating an additional 40 hours of training for certified peace officers. Thirty three uniformed corrections staff members will require corrections training. Corrections officers compete with operations officers for an ever shrinking amount of money. The training needs are different. Approval of the request will take pressure off the Sheriff's Training Fund.

The commission did not make any decisions to revise the budget.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Attest:

Don Stamper
Presiding Commissioner

Wendy S. Noren
Clerk of the County Commission

Karen M. Miller
District I Commissioner

Linda Vogt
District II Commissioner