

COMMISSIONER'S JOURNAL

Wednesday

Regular

May 27, 2020

Certificate of the County Auditor

Received the Certificate of the County Auditor that the total appropriations from each fund do not exceed the Official Estimate of Resources.

Amended Certificate

Received the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources from the Coshocton County Budget Commission dated May 22, 2020.

Departmental 2021 Estimated Budget Meeting – Via ZOOM

Mr. Mike LaVigne, Mrs. Robin Schonauer, Ms. Kim Arden, Ms. Tammi Rogers, Mr. Jeff Mullens, Mr. Jason Given, Ms. Stephani Slifko, Ms. Camila Graham, Mrs. Susan Turner, Ms. Valerie Shaw, Mr. Robbie Mc Masters, Mr. Todd Shroyer, Mr. Danny Brenneman, Judge Robert Batchelor, Mr. Doug Schonauer, Judge Van Blanchard, Mr. Mark Chaffin, Ms. Cindy Hillbush, Ms. Christine Sycks, Ms. Brooke Alverson, Ms. Deb Bigelow, Mr. Steve Lonsinger, Mr. Steve Oster, Lt. Dean Hettinger, Sheriff Timothy Rogers, Lt. Chip Udichas, Sgt. J. D. Hardway, Mr. Rusty Dreher, Mrs. Cathy Williamson, Mrs. Janette Donaker, Mr. Fred Wachtel, Mr. Zach Miller and Ms. Kayla Chapman were in attendance via ZOOM. Mr. Fischer welcomed everyone to the meeting. He explained that everyone is muted and that if anyone has a question to please raise their hand. He then stated that they just wanted to touch base with everyone on the budget for 2020 as well as the estimated budgets for 2021. He explained that Chris Sycks has reduced our revenue by 400,000 some odd dollars to date. The revenue for 2020 is unknown at this time. The numbers we have are prior to the pandemic and we will probably not see the effect of the pandemic until starting in June. We are asking all departments to be as conservative as possible and limit all spending. We are asking that every department input a 10% reduction in the 2021 estimated budgets. Those estimated budgets will be going out this afternoon. At this point it is any ones guess as to where the numbers will be and how this pandemic will affect us and our revenue. Mr. Brenneman stated that they have recently heard from ODJFS State and Federal are looking at a 20% cut of funds and this may affect other departments as well. Ms. Sycks then stated that the 10% reduction the Commissioners are requesting are for the General Fund Budgets. Non-general fund budgets will need to re-assess their budgets as well. Mr. Shryock then stated that we have an elderly population and a lot have decent incomes. These individuals may not have been affected and their life styles may not have changed much. We feel that the employment levels in our community have been pretty steady and are hopeful that we may be somewhat isolated and not as affected as other areas with the pandemic. We will know more what to expect with the numbers in June. Mr. Given then asked if we will see the June sales tax numbers before the 2021 estimated budgets are due? Mr. Fischer stated that no we will not have those numbers. Ms. Sycks explained that the numbers we get in June are for March, April, May, and June. If we are down, we will probably start to see it in the June Report of Sales Tax. Ms. Donaker then stated that the Real Estate Tax Collection was only 86% for the first half and she is concerned about the second half. Mr. Fischer then reminded everyone that the June 2021 budget is just an estimate and will be revised again in January and we will just have to wait and see how the sales tax and other revenue come in during the rest of the year. Ms. Sycks then stated that the Local Government Funds were down and she feels this will continue. So she is anticipating a loss of funding there. Mr. Fischer then stated that the Casino Funds are down as well. Mr. Fischer thanked everyone for attending.

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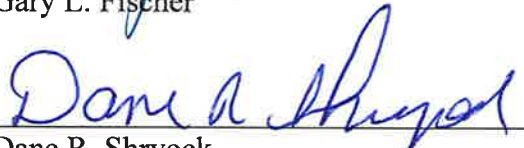
May 28, 2020

Adjourn

At 12:00 p.m., Mr. Fischer adjourned the meeting.



Gary L. Fischer



Dane R. Shryock



D. Curtis Lee



Administrator/Clerk