

Marshall County Fiscal Court
Special Called Meeting – FY 2013/14 Budget
April 29, 2013

The Marshall County Fiscal Court met in special session on Monday, April 29, 2013 in the Joe Williams Fiscal Courtroom, Marshall County Courthouse, Benton, Kentucky. Duly elected Commissioners: Bob Gold, Terry Anderson, Misti Drew; & County Attorney Jeff Edwards were present. Mike Miller, County Judge/Executive presided.

Judge Miller called the meeting to order.

Treasurer Emily Martin informed that the Road Department, Property Valuation, & Economic Development Budgets have been discussed during previous budget meetings, but the budget for the county as a whole has not. The draft budget for FY 2013/14 has increased to \$15,447,036 because of a carry-over of \$1.3 million, due in part from private prison contracts not being renewed for state inmates, which means an increase in the Jail Fund. Also, last year, the budget included funds for new roofing at the Sheriff's Office/Jail/911 Complex. Another thing that caused the increase for this year was additional excess fees from the Sheriff & County Clerk that were not anticipated. Judge Miller added that a ten year agreement with Westlake, for improvements to the plant has expired. Through that agreement, Westlake took the money that would have been paid by the employees to the Occupational Tax Fund to make the improvements and now that money will be coming in also. Mrs. Martin added that a 3% pay increase has been built into the budget for employee cost of living increases.

Larry Whitt, Director of Parks, was present and reported on the needs at the park for the coming year.

- Purchase two or three new gators
- Pole barn to store equipment
- One new mower, with trade-in

Discussion has been held about future needs at the park including building an amphitheater, skating rink, & purchasing a piece of property adjacent to the park for a county fairground and constructing grandstands. The splash pad is ready to open so the water use will be up. There are currently 32 lights out on the ball fields at the park – the cost per light is anywhere from \$250 to \$400. Mr. Whitt also reported that the Day Use Parks are starting to show deterioration. Com. Drew suggested the possibility of exploring some opportunities with the business community in helping with some of these projects.

The Court members then went over the budget, item by item, and also the receipts & liabilities.

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A motion was made by Com. Drew and seconded by Com. Gold to go into executive session to discuss personnel. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Judge Miller called Court back into regular session. He informed that discussion was held about employees accruing comp time. As work progresses on the Administrative Code, the Court will look at setting a limit on accrual, and what's statutorily allowed per KRS.

Following the first reading of Ordinance #2013-14 (Budget), a motion was made by Com. Gold and seconded by Com. Drew to approve the first reading, approving the budget as to form an classification. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Judge Miller informed that Calloway County Clerk Ray Coursey and also Martha Sue Jones, a long-time resident of Marshall County passed away.

Com. Drew asked that the vacancy on the Refuse Board be addressed at the next meeting.

The National Day of Prayer Service will be Thursday, May 2nd at 11:00 on the Courthouse lawn.

A motion was made by Com. Drew and seconded by Com. Anderson to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Melonie Chambers
Fiscal Court Clerk