

2020 preliminary budget meeting: Auditor / Elections

October 10, 2019

11:33 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson (by phone), Commissioner Stamper, County Manager Erik Martin, Budget Services Manager Becky Butler, Larry Grove, Tom Stanton, Suzette Smith

Citizens Budget Committee members: Laura Berg, Frank Corbin (by phone), Paul Crowner, Bill Kassen, Bill Marshall, Bill Serrahn

Other guest(s): Dr. Lindsey Pollock

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Larry Grove provided an overview of the functions of the Auditor's Office.

Chief Accountant Suzette Smith discussed the Financial Services department. Suzette discussed retention requirements and the costs associated with meeting those needs.

Becky Butler discussed the implementation of Tyler Technology's Munis system.

Suzette and Larry discussed the office's request for additional funding totaling \$5,433 to cover extended maintenance on the office's S400.

Tom Stanton gave an overview of the Elections Department. He discussed costs associated with installing ballot drop boxes as well as costs associated with providing prepaid postage.

Tom and Larry discussed the state's refusal to pay for its fair share of elections costs during even years.

Larry discussed the costs associated with the new ballot boxes, including the \$32,000 initial costs and the ongoing costs associated with locking and then emptying the ballot boxes.

Larry discussed same-day voter registration.

Meeting ended at 12:06 p.m.