

## **Update with Budget**

**August 1, 2018**

**10:15 a.m.**

Present: Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, Becky Butler, Steve Walton, Erik Martin, Bruce Kimsey (10:22 a.m.)

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Becky Butler said the BOCC has a meeting with the Sheriff's Office on Aug. 6, during which the sheriff will ask for additional staff.

The group discussed the sheriff's statements indicating he will not sign interlocals with Mason and Thurston counties and that his office will no longer respond to alarm calls if the request for additional staffing is not approved.

Becky said he wants a corrections officer, a records clerk and two to four deputies.

Becky noted that the preferred process would be to make those types of decisions during the regularly scheduled budget process.

Commissioner Fund said she'd like to see a line-by-line breakdown of all costs associated with running the jail (number of staff, number of inmates, Naphcare, etc.). She said she'd like to see the differences between what those costs would be if things were kept "status quo," what those costs would be if only Lewis County was served and what those costs would be if Lewis County brought in more inmates from elsewhere.

Bruce Kimsey joined at 10:22 a.m.

Commissioner Fund recapped her request. She reiterated that she'd like to see data.

Bruce said he has compiled data regarding staffing, population, crime statistics, etc.

Bruce noted that the decrease in State Patrol staffing also has affected the area.

Commissioner Jackson left at 10:30 a.m.

Meeting ended at 10:30 a.m.