

## Budget meeting with Clerk

September 12, 2017

10:30 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, Becky Butler, Steve Walton, Scott Tinney, Marni Larson

Guests: Justyna Tomtas, Mitch Townsend, Matt Brock, Bill Marshall, Anthony Ahrens, Linda Williams, Olga Miller, Carla Shannon

Recorder: Rieva Lester

**2018 prelim budget:** Revenue: \$639,896, expenditures: \$1,233,739; FTEs: 15

### Revenue review

Scott Tinney discussed court cost reimbursements. He said he discovered there are some reimbursements available, including roughly \$10,000 for 2017.

Scott discussed how passports, etc. can fluctuate annually.

Becky asked about the decrease in revenue for housing, etc. She suggested reviewing the 2016 and 2017 budgets to determine when funding becomes available.

Scott said it appears many discretionary fees are being waived by the courts.

Scott said local collection agencies are used. He said there are costs associated with using outside sources to collect money from outstanding bills.

Scott said the Clerk's Office is learning to use the new Odyssey system. He said the switch was made statewide because the other program could not be sustained.

### Expenditure review

Becky and Scott said Facilities costs, Interfund costs, salaries and postage make up the bulk of the expenditures in the Clerk's Office.

Scott said the Clerk's Office likely has the highest postage costs in the county due to jury summons, etc.

### TO-DO LIST

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Commissioner Fund said she wants to ask Superior Court how the court determines if someone is indigent (and how it's followed up) and whether a determination of indigency affects the fine levied on that individual.

Becky said positions cuts were made in the past and then those positions were added back. Scott said there is a lot of staff time devoted to PDRs.

**Expenditure limitation discussion**

None

**Overall summary / goals / challenges (short and long term)**

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**Questions / concerns**

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Meeting ended at 10:47 a.m.