

Update with Budget

March 13, 2018

3:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Stamper, Shad Hail, Steve Walton, Becky Butler, Eric Eisenberg

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Shad Hail said he met with the Office of Public Defense last year. He said that thanks to a coordinated effort, including the court's letter-writing campaign, the state recently indicated it will begin providing funding for the Parents Representation Program, for which the county paid \$320,448 last year.

Becky Butler said the funding will begin mid-year.

Shad left at 3:40 p.m.

Eric Eisenberg said Cortland appealed the law library ruling. He said the county would file a cross appeal. He said the stay procedure still would be used. He said the judgement totaled roughly \$54,000. He said interest is at 12 percent. He suggested filing a notice totaling \$60,000.

Becky said Superior Court is willing to set aside the money in its budget.

Commissioner Stamper made a motion to pay the \$61,000 judgement into the Thurston County Court Registry through the Superior Court budget and to support a budget amendment later in the year if needed. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

Motion passed 3-0.

Eric Eisenberg left at 3:54 p.m.

Becky said budget amendment requests are due March 16. She discussed the requests she has received so far as well as upcoming retirements. She discussed amendments for the ITAs.

Becky said she remains concerned about Public Works' cash flow. She suggested the possibility of a minimum balance for roads, such as \$1.5 million for emergencies and \$1 million for operations.

Becky discussed estimates for a county manager, including an admin, as well as training, dues, etc. She discussed funding possibilities, such as a cost allocation for departments under the BOCC. She suggested discussing the cost allocation possibility with the Auditor's Office.

Becky discussed the new position request submitted by the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. The group discussed recent impacts to the PA's budget as well as the need for data regarding the requests. The

TO-DO LIST / RECAP

Rieva: Contact Lee Napier about succession planning.

Rieva: Set up meeting with BOCC and Bill Wamsley.

group also noted that other departments are required to make their requests during the budget process.

BHO estimate Alcohol Court estimate was \$600,000.

Becky asked if the Weed Assessment was moving forward. Commissioner Fund asked Rieva Lester to set up a meeting with Bill Wamsley about the possibility of the Weed Assessment.

Becky said work on the year-end update continues.

Commissioner Fund left at 4:36 p.m. and returned at 4:37 p.m.

Commissioner Stamper left at 4:37 p.m.

Commissioner Fund discussed timecard procedures. Becky suggested touching base with HR regarding timecard procedures.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.