

Budget meeting with IT

September 12, 2017

2:50 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, Becky Butler, Steve Walton, Steve Wohld, Matt Jaeger

Guests: Mitch Townsend, Matt Brock, Bill Marshall, Anthony Ahrens, Linda Williams, Carolyn Fuleihan, Justyna Tomtas

Recorder: Rieva Lester

2018 prelim budget: Revenue: \$1,998,949, expenditures: \$1,961,557; FTEs: 15; change in fund balance: \$37,392 (ER&R)

Becky Butler discussed the “change in fund balance.”

Revenue review

Becky discussed the Interfund rates for IT, as well as the ER&R, and Discover Lewis County.

Steve Wohld discussed the rate structure, which he sets by equipment used by each department. He said the money collected through ER&R is used for equipment replacement and repair for each department. He said the M&S rate pays for salaries, software, etc.

Expenditure review

Becky said salaries and Interfunds make up the bulk of IT’s expenditures.

She said Discover Lewis County has two half-time employees. Steve Wohld said there is a significant cut in proposed expenditures for DLC. He said there would be a roughly \$38,000 in savings.

Becky said the main focus of IT is to support the county.

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Commissioner Fund discussed the need to look at what DLC does for the county. Steve discussed the lodging tax revenues for unincorporated areas for the first eight months of 2015, 2016 and 2017. He said it rose more than \$40,000 from 2015 to 2016. He said it rose more than \$46,000 from 2016 to 2017.

Commissioner Jackson discussed an RCW that says the county may work on tourism.

Mitch Townsend discussed using identifier codes to track the use of Discover Lewis County.

Commissioner Stamper said Matt Matayoshi of the EDC uses DLC to show the amenities Lewis County has to offer.

Becky said Discover Lewis County's proposed 2018 budget is \$82,000, which is a sliver of IT's \$1.9 million budget.

Steve and Becky discussed the main functions of IT, such as data protection, etc.

Mitch asked if the county would expand to offer services to outside entities. Steve said the county cannot compete with private entities.

Meeting ended at 3:33 p.m.