

2022 Chase County Budget Workshop  
 August 23, 2022

The special meeting, for the purpose of reviewing the proposed FY 2022-23 budget for Chase County, was convened at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23, 2022. Notice of the meeting was published in the Imperial Republican on August 17, 2022. An agenda was kept current and available in the office of the county clerk.

Present were Commissioners Jacci Brown, Duane Dinnel, Dennis Kunnemann; County Clerk Debra Clark, and budget accountant Jeff Olsen. Other officials present are Sheriff Kevin Mueller and Emergency Manager Duane Dreiling. Karen Mueller and Karen Baker also stopped into the meeting.

Hospital CEO Abby Cyboron, board member Sam McNair and hospital CFO Matt Musgrove were present to discuss the hospital sinking fund. They are once again requesting a tax asking of \$250,000 be added to the 5001 Hospital Funding Fund (sinking fund). They presented a formal letter of request, a copy of Chase County Resolution 19-19, a graph of operating gain and loss and a list of hospitals supported by tax dollars.

Resolution 19-19 was passed September 10, 2019 as a sinking fund for the purpose of capital improvements including repairs, expansion, modification, and other general improvements. The board also reserved the right to condition any disbursement of funds to a vote of all eligible voters in the county. No promise of any designated amount or annual contribution is mentioned in the resolution. The resolution only created the fund.

Much discussion was held concerning the sinking fund. When asked their plans for the funds they indicated pursuing renovation, addition or expansion.

The board felt there was enough money in the Inheritance Tax fund should an emergency arise. None of the funds collected have been used for any repairs. They did not see a need to increase the sinking fund with no definite plan for use determined. The hospital members left the meeting around 4 pm.

The board started through the budget fund by fund. The following changes were requested by the board.

<u>Fund/Function</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>New Amount</u>
Treasurer	10	1500.00	1000.00
Sheriff	11	0	3000.00
Attorney	5	10000.00	0
Emergency Manager	2	30875.00	32375.00
	14	2500.00	5000.00
	6	6000.00	0
Transit	12	4000.00	0
	14	2000.00	4000.00
	15	2000.00	4000.00
	16	2000.00	4000.00
Miscellaneous	12	113000.00	115000.00
Road	46	93000.00	500.00
	47	860000.00	137290.00
Fair	5	60000.00	20000.00

The road bond fund is a new addition to the budget this year. The bond money has been received and payments for the road project are being made from that project fund. This required an adjustment to the road fund lines 46 and 47. The bond funds will not cover the entire project due to some changes in the project. It was determined that the ARPA funds would be used to cover some of the overage on the road project.

The official's salaries will be rechecked to account for opt out monies where needed. The budget making authorities of Debra Clark and Jeff Olsen will make these changes and any other corrections or adjustments that are needed to prepare the budget for advertising.

Additional discussion concerning hospital and fair request was held. The board determined they would rather use inheritance tax if needed than levying this year.

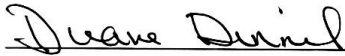
The following tax requests have been received: Historical Society \$7,000.00; IR Fire General \$82,702.70 and IR Fire Bond \$43,277.50; WR Fire General \$27,500.00 and WR Fire Sinking Fund \$27,555.00; Crete Cemetery \$1,600.00; Lamar Cemetery \$1,224.00. Chase Cemetery did not request any funding this year.

Duane Dinnel moved to approve Resolution 2022-17 approving the tax requests of those subdivisions subject to allocation of authority from the County. Dennis Kunnemann seconded the motion. Duane-yes; Dennis-yes; Jacci-yes; motion carried. A complete copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the county clerk.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Debra K. Clark – Chase County Clerk

CHASE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS




Duane Dinnel – Commissioner District #1



Jacci L. Brown – Commissioner District #2 - Chairman



Dennis Kunnemann – Commissioner District #3

ATTEST: 

Debra K. Clark – Chase County Clerk