

# **DeKalb County Government**

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### **Minutes - Draft**

## FAB-Finance, Audit & Budget Committee

Thursday, February 13, 2020 10:00 AM

Meeting Started At: 10:03 AM

Attendance: Commissioners Jester, Johnson, Rader, Bradshaw, Gannon, and Cochran-Johnson;

**Present** 3 - Chairperson Nancy Jester, Member Larry Johnson, and Jeff Rader

#### I. DISCUSSION

#### 2020 Budget

JR: wants a better understanding of admin timeline and our schedule;

A plan to asses the feasibility of an entitlement eligibility for court programs;

NJ: looking for admin to get back to her soon, any adjustments that you request at the next two meetings;

JR: can we get an accounting in terms of what we do in terms of grant solicitation and management, how much money they bring in, do by departments and constitutionals;

Wants an understanding of the gaps, are there departments that are defenseless, and where if we supplement it would be best used;

As well as the other responsibilities of the grant managers in each department;

Review of plus minus 5% list of departments at next meeting;

#### Superior Court

LJ: how will this be affected by the state budget cuts?

LJ: wants the community service board to come to FAB;

LJ: how are Medicare dollars are drawn down?

Public Defender

Needs two attorney positions that are already filled, have not been recommended in the 2020 budget, its a mistake in number of positions;

Admin will fix this it is on their list

JR: when will the admin bring an amendment? Will it be prior to budget adoption?

*NJ*: give the committee a list of fixes so they can review from the admin;

NJ: send us a memo about what you are seeing at the capital from your perspective;

NJ: draft a letter to Baskerville we would like you to be more assertive and focused on giving information on universal things that are coming down;

JR: can you give us a comprehensive assessment of the impact of the state budget, we need some analysis and summary of what that would be;

LJ: please also look at the federal level, and the cuts that are taking place and how they impact our local county services;

Clerk of Superior Court

Requested 538k in CIP and got 500k and need 38k for odyssey; 38782k

Funding for BOE, went up from \$125 to \$175 for the fee, causing a \$45,000 budget shortfall to pay for the increase to hearing officers,

Both on admin list to fix;

JR: how much did the clerk return to the fund balance at the end of the year? 138k

Meeting Ended At: 11:26 AM

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Jester, Member Johnson, and Rader

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC