

MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 13, 2020 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS OFFICE OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Lanier Keene	Chairman
Alfonza Hall	Vice Chairman
Jowan Johnson	Commissioner
Mel Powell	Commissioner
Clay Reid	Commissioner
Paula J. Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Tax Commissioner Carolyn Elsberry presented her proposed budget for 2020-2021. A pay increase to \$15.00 per employee for her workers was requested. Tax Commissioner Elsberry presented a need for a part-time employee for 3 months during the online DRIVES training in October.

Chairman Lanier Keene states that the request would be taken into consideration.

Tax Commissioner Elsberry stated that the only increase in her working budget was in the General Supplies line item due to being over in the 2019-2020 Budget.

Superior Court Clerk Janet Mauldin presented her proposed 2020-2021 Budget. Clerk Mauldin stated that the Superior Court department requests a pay increase as well. Clerk Mauldin stated that the Superior Court Department was bringing in more revenue than previous years. For employee Kimberly Walker, a \$2.00 per hour increase was requested moving her current pay of \$13 to \$15. For employee Wanda Hawkins, a \$1 per hour increase was requested moving her current pay of \$12 to \$13.

Clerk Mauldin's salary would also increase due to longevity and living costs.

Chairman Lanier Keene stated the Commissioner Board would review requests, but the Board could not promise increases due to uncertainty of other budgets.

The Board of Commissioners engaged in discussion on the CARES Act:

There would be an allotted \$212,000 for the county. Per the CARES Webinar, the EMS salaries can be submitted.

The salaries would be sent in for the \$212,000. The roughly \$70,000 in invoices spend on refundable supplies/services would be saved in light of a second round of CARES funding.

County Manager Paula Ball presents that the county is in need of a radio system and suggests that a new radio system be applied for with the USDA Hurricane Grant. County Manager Ball also stated that each city also receives its own CARES funding.

With no further business, Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Mel Powell seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

_____ Lanier Keene, Chairman

_____ Paula J. Ball, County Manager/Clerk