

Lake County Illinois

*Lake County Courthouse and Administrative Complex
18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

8:30 AM

**JOINT BUDGET MEETING
(Please Note Start Time)**

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Law and Judicial Committee

1. Law and Judicial Committee Call to Order

Law and Judicial Committee Chair Cunningham called the Law and Judicial Committee to order at 8:31 a.m.

Present 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee Call to Order

Financial and Administrative Committee Chair Rummel called the Financial and Administrative Committee Meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

Others present:

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Howard Cooper, Coroner

Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office

Anthony Cooling, Finance and Administrative Services

Chris Covelli, Sheriff's Office

Mark Curran, Sheriff

Patrice Evans, Courts Administration

Francis Foy, Sheriff's Office

Ben Gilbertson, Finance and Administrative Services

Jodi Gingiss, Community Development

Gary Gordon, Finance and Administrative Services

Joy Gossman, Public Defender

Mike Gregory, Sheriff's Office

Heidie Hernandez, County Board Office

Ryan Horne, Finance and Administrative Services

John Idleburg, Lake County Resident

Keith Kaiser, Sheriff's Office

Mike Keller Sheriff's Office

Aaron Lawlor, County Board Chairman

Donna Jo Maki, County Administrator's Office

Amy McEwan, Deputy County Administrator

Wendy Morey, Stormwater Management Commission

Michael Nerheim, State's Attorney

Jerry Nordstrom, Health Department

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Gary Pickens, Regional Office of Education

Jennifer Rathunde, Circuit Clerk's Office

Robert Richards, Sheriff's Office

Jessica Rios, Merit Commission
Sandra Ruckbeil, Public Defender's Office
Jennifer Serino, Workforce Development
Jennie Vana, Communications
Eric Waggoner, Planning, Building and Zoning
Mike Warner, Stormwater Management Commission
David Wathen, Sheriff's Office
Farrah Watson, Circuit Court Clerk's Office
Michael Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services
Teri White, State's Attorney's Office
Roycealee Wood, Regional Office of Education
Dawn Wucki Rossbach, Sheriff's Office
Danny Davis, Court Administration
Lee McCann, Merit Commission
Chris Blanding, Information Technology
Mary Stevens, Court Administration
Rosemary Heilemann, League of Women Voters Lake County
Richard Barr, Lake County Resident
Judy Martini, County Board Member
Scot Kurek, Sheriff's Office
Angela Cooper, Workforce Development
Pam Riley, Health Department
Loretta Dorn, Health Department
Lisa Kritz, Health Department
Tom Struck, Sheriff's Office
Jennifer Witherspoon, Sheriff's Office
Dakisha Wesley, Assistant County Administrator
Paul Fetherston, Assistant County Administrator
Blanca Vela-Schneider, County Board Office

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Financial and Administrative Committee Member Carlson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Addenda to the Agenda

re were no items added to the agenda.

4. Public Comment

There was no comment provided by the public.

5. Chairman's Remarks

There were no remarks from the Chairs.

Law and Judicial Committee Chair Cunningham noted that there is a physical quorum of the Financial and Administrative Committee and Law and Judicial Committee, and Member Bartels will be participating electronically due to illness.

6. New Business

Finance Director Gary Gordon thanked all staff and department head for their help on the proposed budget. He also informed the committees how the items will be presented.

Financial and Administrative Committee Chair Rummel noted that this meeting is strictly for budget purposes and encouraged the members keep their questions and comments on the topic of budget.

6.1 [17-1082](#)

Presentation and consideration of proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget (see complete recommended budget attached).

Ryan Horne, Finance and Administrative Services, thanked the various staff involved in the budget process, including the budget analysts, Communications' staff, and the Print Shop Services' staff.

Consistent with previous years, the vehicle and computer replacements are budgeted in each department. The amounts will be moved from the department to the general corporate fund. There is a non union merit base wage increase of 2.5 percent recommended in the fiscal year 2018 budget. In addition, consistent with the 2018 budget policy, new program requests were not considered unless they met certain criteria. Requests that did meet the criteria will be discussed during the respective department's presentation. Mr. Horne also noted that the fiscal year 2017 amounts under Modified Budget may include fiscal year 2016 carryovers. As directed in the 2018 budget policy a preliminary list of carryovers has also been provided.

Finance Director Gary Gordon clarified what double appropriations represent. He explained that the County budgets by fund, and some items such as health benefits, Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) are budgeted twice. The purpose is to maintain separate funds to show the expenditures from each department, so the true cost of operation is known. In the budget book there will be a comparison of the budget with and without the double appropriations.

This item was presented.

6.2 [17-1083](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Sheriff's Merit Commission.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, Merit Commission Chairman Leo McCann and Jessica Rios, Merit Commission, presented. Mr. Wheeler reported that the budget is status quo and there are no significant changes, except personnel for savings.

Member Calabresa inquired on the decrease in candidates and why it has changed so dramatically. Mr. McCann responded that their theory is that the public's perception of officers has deterred interest. Also, in 2016 two qualifying tests were conducted and it is

believed that individuals that would have taken the test in 2017 were tested in 2016.

Finance Director Gary Gordon added that most of the Merit Commission's budget for staff is fixed. A reduction was not made based on the number of candidates projected.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Wyatt, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Pedersen, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.3 [17-1084](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Coroner.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, and Coroner Dr. Howard Cooper presented. Mr. Wheeler reported that the Coroner's budget is fairly flat. Changes include converting a part time toxicologist position into a full time position. This change will be cost neutral due to the elimination of two part time positions. Mr. Wheeler noted that if the County Board does not approve the proposed changes, the budget will be modified accordingly. In addition, body removal services are requested in this budget. This service will be partially off set by reduced overtime. Additional savings are also expected when vehicles need to be replaced because the vehicle will be smaller. This service should also reduce the County's liability costs. Another change in the budget includes an increase in laboratory supplies, laboratory fees, and medical fees.

Dr. Cooper thanked the Finance and Administrative Services staff for their help with the proposed budget. He reported that the Coroner's Office has been really busy and this year cases have increased by 1,200 cases. Dr. Cooper discussed the increase in toxicology test, the reasons behind the increase, and the need for body removal services. He also reported on an increase in training required by the Union that was not prioritize by his predecessor. In addition, the Coroner's Office will work on public outreach to educate the public.

Member Hart inquired about the trips and training fees and why they are not included. Finance Director Gary Gordon noted that the fees will be found in the Coroner's Fees.

Discussion occurred on the death rate increases and the causes.

Member Durkin asked for the percentage of toxicology reports done in house and how many are sent out. Dr. Cooper responded that all toxicology reports are done in house. The toxicology reports that are sent out are for opioids, to determine the specific type of opioid.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Calabresa, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Pedersen, that this item be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.4 [17-1085](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Coroner Fees Fund.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Bartels, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Durkin, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.5 [17-1086](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Public Defender.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, Public Defender Joy Gossman, and Sandy Ruckebeil, Public Defender's Office, presented the Public Defender's proposed budget. Mr. Wheeler reported that the budget is flat, there is a slight increase in salary reimbursement from the State. Capital cost are down as there are no computer replacement this year.

Ms. Gossman noted that Public Defender's Office is very grateful for the Depke office space.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Wyatt, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Carlson, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.6 [17-1087](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the State's Attorney.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, and State's Attorney Mike Nerheim presented the State's Attorney's proposed budget. Mr. Wheeler noted that there has been an elimination of two full time positions. Recently, a federal grant was awarded that funds two existing victim advocate positions and a new additional victim advocate position. This decreases the full time head count by one. Revenues such as child support reimbursement and a federal grant that supports a victim offender mediation program have decreased. These reductions are offset by a different federal grant that was awarded earlier this year and reimbursement from the Lake County Child Advocacy Center for labor costs that are not covered by a federal grant. Expenses have increased due to labor costs related to the new federal grant that funds the new victim advocate position, pay increases, and proficiency and capability increases.

Mr. Nerheim, thanked the Finance and Administrative Services Staff and Terri White of the State's Attorney's Office. He reported that the office has been aggressively applying for grants. He also reported on several programs including the alternative prosecution program and its expansion to include misdemeanors, the special investigation division which is continuing to become accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), the improvement of the evidence storage area in the State's Attorney's Office, the case review panel that identifies and prevents wrongful convictions, the opioid initiative, text a tip and other programs.

Mr. Nerheim noted that he and his staff are thankful for the upgrades made to the Depke Detention Center.

Vice Chair Calabresa commended Mr. Nerheim on the services that his office provides regarding the opioid epidemic. She also reminded everyone that on October 28, 2017, it is national drug take back day and encouraged everyone to turn in all unused prescription drugs.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Weber, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Pedersen, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.7 [17-1089](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the State's Attorney Automation Fund.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, reported that the State's Attorney's Records Automation fund has had a slightly decreasing trend since 2016 and based on fiscal year 2017, it is expected to further decrease in fiscal year 2018.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Wyatt, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee
A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.8 [17-1090](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Sheriff.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, Sheriff Mark Curran, and staff reviewed the Sheriff's proposed budget. Mr. Wheeler reported revenues in the general fund are down by 4 percent. A State and Federal grant have been eliminated. This proposed budget also includes projected revenues for the recommended increases in

fees and fines. If the recommended increases are not approved by the Board the budget will be modified accordingly. Expenses have increased due to a union negotiated wage increase that was not in place in fiscal year 2017, as well as the 2.5 percent wage increase that has been applied across the board for fiscal year 2018. In addition, food, medical and supply costs have increased due to an additional jail pod being open since 2016. The jail pod has been primarily staffed by employee overtime, which will now be included in the general operating expenditure (GOE) fund. There have also been technology initiatives that have led to the increase including body cameras which are at the end of life, and the Information Technology staff augmentation that is in the proposed fiscal year 2018 budget.

The Sheriff's Office staffing count is flat. There is one position that became vacant because of the Accelerated Retirement Option (ARO), this position has been converted into two part time positions. The fiscal year 2018 budget includes two position reclassification at the level recommended by Human Resources. These recommendations will be requested at a future meeting and if they are not approved the budget will be modified.

Sheriff Curran, introduced new staff members. He noted a number of new grants were received in fiscal year 2017, including a grant fund for the body camera program, also implemented in fiscal year 2017. He also provided updates on several other programs and added that the Sheriff's Office will continue to work towards becoming accredited. Additionally, processes and procedures are continuously looked at to ensure they are efficient and effective.

Dawn Wucki Rossbach, Sheriff's Office, added that the body camera policy has been approved by the Illinois Department of Justice and reported on other grants and agreements.

Discussion ensued on the increase in medical fees.

Vice Chair Calabresa encourages staff to determine the reasons behind the increase in jail population when there is a decrease in crime. Discussion continued.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Wyatt, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Durkin, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.9 [17-1091](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Transportation Safety Hire-back Fund.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, reported that the revenues are projected to be flat in fiscal year 2018, contractual expenses increased and will be transferred to Highway Patrol to cover the cost of officer patrol in non interstate highway construction zones. Capital expenditures increased and will be used by officers patrolling non interstate highway construction zones.

Finance Director Gary Gordon noted that this is a restricted limited fund.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Wyatt, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.10 [17-1092](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Circuit Court Clerk.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, Circuit Court Clerk Erin Cartwright Weinstein and Farrah Watson, Circuit Court Clerk's Office, presented the Circuit Court Clerk's Budget. Revenues are projected to be flat, expenses have increased due to the wage increase. Operation supplies has also increased due to the anticipated costs of toner needed for the implementation of electronic filing (e filing). There are three position reclassification that will be requested at a future meeting and if the recommendations are not approved the budget will be adjusted.

Ms. Cartwright Weinstein reported that cost adjustments have been made and facilities has been working on changes in the Office to accommodate e filing. In addition, the Circuit Court Clerk's Office has been receiving electronic payments for last three weeks.

Ms. Cartwright Weinstein provided an update on a few programs including waiving collection fees on fines, passport services and replenishing the document storage and court automation fund. Discussion ensued.

Member Hart inquired on the operational supplies and where the funds came from. Farrah Watson Circuit Court Clerk's Office reported that \$100,000 was moved to operational supplies and added \$50,000 for toner costs. Member Hart asked why the toner costs are increasing instead of decreasing. Ms. Cartwright Weinstein added that currently, the office will receive copies of documents from attorneys, however, with e filing those copies will no longer be provided and the office will be required to print copies, therefore, increasing the use and cost of paper and toner.

Discussion ensued on other Circuit Court Clerk's accounts.

A motion was made by Member Wyatt, seconded by Member Weber, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Pedersen, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.11 [17-1093](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Document Storage Fee.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, presented on the proposed budgets for Document Storage, Electronic Citation Fee and Court Automation Fee. Mr. Wheeler reported that the Document Storage fund revenues and expenses have decreased. Electronic Citation's revenues are expected to decrease and there are no expenses budgeted. The Court Automation fee fund's revenues are expected to decrease based on prior actuals expenses are expected to increase due to employee performance incentive, support contract increases and computer related purchases. Finance Director Gary Gordon added that this is a shared fund with the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit.

Circuit Court Clerk Erin Cartwright Weinstein added that a request will be brought to committee next week for an increase in Document Storage and Court Automation fees.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Wyatt, that the committee action items 6.11 through 6.13 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Hewitt, that the committee action items 6.11 through 6.13 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

6.12 [17-1094](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Electronic Citation Fee.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Wyatt, that the committee action items 6.11 through 6.13 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Hewitt, that the committee action items 6.11 through 6.13 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.13 [17-1095](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Court Automation Fee.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Wyatt, that the committee action items 6.11 through 6.13 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Durkin, seconded by Member Hewitt, that the committee action items 6.11 through 6.13 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.14 [17-1096](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Circuit Courts.

Mike Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services, Chief Judge Jorge Ortiz, Marty Sevens, Courts Administration, Danny Davis, Courts Administration presented the

proposed budget for the Circuit Courts. Revenues have increased for certain fees. Expenses have decreased due to the Accelerated Retirement Option (ARO) and the budget for juror fees has decreased. The Court's staff count has remained flat. The Hulse Detention Center's revenue budget is down by one percent and the decrease is off set by the reimbursement of the Regional Office of Education for expenses associated with educational programs provided to Detention Center's residents. Expenses are flat due to the ARO, and filling vacant positions at a lower rate. Both the Children's Waiting Room and the Law Library's revenues are down, and expenses are also down due to a change in staff. Probation Services revenues are projected to decline due to declining fees and expenses are also down. The decrease in expenses is partially offset by an increase in miscellaneous contractual services to fund services related to the crime victim service program.

Chief Judge Ortiz provided a background on the courts responsibilities, expounded on the Courts commitment to keeping the community a safe place while being fiscally responsible and provided updates on several programs. In addition, to the normal budget requests, the Courts are requesting funding for two additional pretrial service officers. The Lake County Adult Probation Pretrial Services Unit has experienced an increase in the number of bond investigations and defendants placed on pretrial bond supervision. Discussion ensued on the need for pretrial services. He also reported that this request is not being recommended because it is considered a new program request that does not meet the criteria of being legislatively mandated.

Finance Director Gary Gordon provided further explanation that in 2016 permanent ongoing cuts across all departments were requested. The Courts made their reductions by underfunding salaries and holding vacancies throughout the year as opposed to eliminating positions. In 2017 positions were fully funded and the budget was reduced by the original reductions from 2016. This will continue on in 2018. To restore the reduced amount will be considered an increase. The Finance and Administrative Services Department recommends that this reduction amount be carried over to 2018 as it was in 2017. He also noted that the Courts budget is down because of the ARO. In addition, the Courts request for additional staff members is not recommended. There have been similar requests from other departments that were also not recommended.

Discussion ensued on the need and the consequences that may occur if the requested positions are not funded.

Member Danforth expressed his support for granting the Courts request for two additional pretrial service officers, and recommended that if the committees will not grant two officers, to consider approving one additional pretrial service officer.

County Administrator Barry Burton reported that data on this will be looked at and will return to the Law and Judicial Committee Meeting.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Bartels, that this committee action item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Nay: 1 - Member Danforth

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Taylor, that this committee action item be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.15 [17-1097](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Hulse Detention Center.

A motion was made by Member Wyatt, seconded by Member Weber, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Taylor, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.16 [17-1099](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Children's Waiting Room Fund.

A motion was made by Member Wyatt, seconded by Member Weber, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Taylor, that the committee

action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.17 [17-1100](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Law Library.

A motion was made by Member Wyatt, seconded by Member Weber, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Taylor, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.18 [17-1101](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Probation Services Fee.

A motion was made by Member Wyatt, seconded by Member Weber, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Taylor, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

6.19 [17-1103](#)

Joint committee action approving the recommended Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Neutral Site Custody Exchange Fee.

A motion was made by Member Wyatt, seconded by Member Weber, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

Financial and Administrative Committee

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Taylor, that the committee action items 6.15 through 6.19 be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Rummel, Vice Chair Bartels, Member Carlson, Member Durkin, Member Hewitt, Member Pedersen and Member Taylor

7. Members' Remarks

There were no members remarks.

8. Adjournment of the Law and Judicial Committee. The Financial and Administrative Committee may remain in session to review and approve other departmental budgets.

The Law and Judicial Committee meeting ended at 12:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Calabresa seconded by Member Wyatt, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 8 - Chair Cunningham, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Danforth, Member Bartels, Member Frank, Member Hart, Member Weber and Member Wyatt

Absent: 1 - Member Paxton

The Financial and Administrative Committee remained in session.

Next Meeting: October 31, 2017

Meeting minutes prepared by Heidie Hernandez and Blanca Vela-Schneider.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair

Vice-Chair

Law and Judicial Committee