



Linn County NEWS



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Linn County Budget Committee OKs 2022-23 budget

ALBANY — After four days of deliberations, the six-member Linn County Budget Committee on Thursday approved a budget of \$221,838, 213 for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

The current operating budget is \$215,343,377.

The approved budget is scheduled to be officially adopted at the June 28 meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

The Budget Committee is composed of Jennifer Stanaway, chair; Kerri Johnson, vice-chair; Mellissa Barnard and Commissioners Roger Nyquist, Sherrie Sprenger and Will Tucker.

The highest inflation in the past 40 years was a major factor in building the budget document. County staff will receive a 5% Cost of Living Adjustment and staff at the Sheriff's Office will also receive a 3% adjustment based on comparable salaries within other sheriff's offices.

The approved budget is made up of the following:

General Fund, \$53,852,724; Road Fund, \$42,482,445; Fair Fund, \$527,000; Law Library, \$290,501; General Grants Fund, \$29,901,565; Bicycle and Pedestrian Fund, \$114,368; Corner Preservation Fund, \$618,384; Historical Fund,



Linn County Clerk Steve Druckenmiller distributes materials to members of the Linn County Budget Committee before delivering his proposed budget earlier this week.

\$37,501; County Forest Park Fund, \$1,063,000; Health Fund, \$48,832,915; County School Fund, \$1,966,100; Federal Forests Title3/Restricted Fund, \$235,000; Unemployment Insurance Fund, \$1,581,958.

A General Fund contingency is set at about \$1 million.

Committee members approved a tax rate of \$1.2736 and a Law Enforcement Levy of \$2.98 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The 4-H and Extension District Budget Committee approved a total revenue of

\$967,047, of which \$875,316 is the OSU Extension Budget. Linn County reserves \$823,916 for the building loan program, \$76,400 for county materials and services and \$52,583 in Capital Outlay for future building expenses.

Some \$313,499 will go toward salaries, \$217,705 for other payroll expenses, \$25,000 for student salaries and \$158,796 for supplies.

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