BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF LEWIS COUNTY FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR OF 2017	)))	Resolution No. 16- 332

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), Lewis County, Washington met in regular session on the first Monday in December, 2016, pursuant to public notice as provided by law, for the purpose of adopting the budget for the year 2017, compiled on 2016 valuation as assessed by the Lewis County Assessor; and

WHEREAS RCW Chapter 36.40 provides requirements for the adoption of preliminary and final budgets for counties; and

WHEREAS the BOCC has conducted various public hearings, meetings, and work sessions to consider the 2017 annual budget for Lewis County,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the BOCC as follows:

Section 1. The 2017 final budget for revenues and expenditures, for all funds of the County, is adopted as provided below.

General Fund Revenues & Expenditures:

Estimated Beginning Fund Balance	**8,610,329**

General Fund Revenues	Prelim Revenues	Final Revenue	Change Prelim to Final
Taxes	~~20,249,625~~	20,511,965	262,340
Licenses & Permits	34,400	34,400	0
Intergovernmental Revenues	~~4,999,355~~	5,301,031	301,676
Charges for Goods & Services	~~4,569,018~~	4,528,317	-40,701
Fines & Forfeits	1,817,617	1,817,617	0
Miscellaneous	2,016,537	2,016,537	0
Other Financing Sources	~~730,000~~	764,000	34,000
Total General Fund Revenues	**~~34,416,552~~**	**34,973,867**	**557,315**

Total General Fund Estimated Revenues and Estimated Beginning Fund Balance	**43,584,196.00**

General Fund Department Expenditures	Prelim. Expenditures	Final Expenditures	Change Prelim to Final
Commissioners	~~887,895~~	862,944	-24,951
Auditor	~~1,296,900~~	1,297,833	933
Auditor - Elections	~~316,900~~	316,769	-131
Assessor	~~1,794,665~~	1,746,160	-48,505
Board of Equalization	13,319	13,319	0
Treasurer	~~835,800~~	825,801	-9,999
Clerk	~~1,196,511~~	1,184,808	-11,703
Superior Court	~~1,342,900~~	1,353,973	11,073
District Court	~~1,869,348~~	1,834,352	-34,996
Prosecuting Attorney	~~3,135,800~~	3,142,217	6,417
Self-Insurance	~~224,300~~	224,163	-137
Public Defense/Trial Ct Imp.	~~1,210,900~~	1,545,775	334,875
Civil Service	~~16,200~~	20,200	4,000
Disability Board	1,600	1,600	0
State Examiner	43,850	43,850	0
WACO/WASC	27,000	27,000	0
Human Resources	~~262,500~~	262,279	-221
Budget-Fiscal	~~800,900~~	770,796	-30,104
Boundary Review Board	4,996	4,996	0
Central Services	~~14,400~~	14,300	-100
Sheriff	~~7,304,600~~	7,273,962	-30,638
Jail	~~7,195,400~~	7,300,993	105,593
Juvenile	~~3,100,000~~	3,100,199	199
Weed Control	~~175,298~~	175,212	-86
Air Pollution Control	~~15,000~~	15,500	500
Animal Shelter	~~350,300~~	361,154	10,854
Coroner	~~459,778~~	459,778	0
WSU Extension	~~248,200~~	247,108	-1,092
Total General Fund Department Expenditures	**~~34,145,260~~**	**34,427,041**	**281,781**

General Fund Transfers	Prelim.	Final	Change Prelim to Final
Emergency Management	159,404	159,404	0
Social Services	~~20,000~~	12,000	-8,000
Law Library	40,000	40,000	0
SWW Fair	50,000	50,000	0
Community Development	400,000	400,000	0
Chehalis River Basin Sub-Zone Dist.	~~35,000~~	37,000	2,000
Dispute Resolution	5,000	5,000	0
Public Health	584,532	584,532	0
Senior Services	376,219	376,219	0
2009 Debt Service	210,374	210,374	0
2015 Debt Service	254,027	254,027	0
Solid Waste	147,600	147,600	0
Packwood Airport	18,000	18,000	0
South County Airport	210,500	210,500	0
Risk Management- LEOFF I	~~50,000~~	0	-50,000
Information Technology	~~25,000~~	0	-25,000
Total General Fund Transfers	**~~2,585,656~~**	**2,504,656**	**-81,000**

Total General Fund Expenditures	36,931,697.00

Estimated Ending Fund Balance	6,652,499

Total General Fund Estimated Expenditures and Estimated Ending Fund Balance	43,584,196.00

Other Fund Revenues & Expenditures:

Fund #	Other Funds	Prelim. Revenue	Final Revenues	Prelim Expenditures	Final Expenditures
101	Emergency Management	254,124	254,124	~~322,278~~	322,811
103	Veterans Relief	163,595	163,595	~~179,510~~	179,406
104	Social Services	~~2,630,446~~	2,622,446	~~2,796,618~~	2,762,970
105	Law Library	71,104	71,104	~~67,849~~	67,905
106	SWW Fair	976,700	976,700	~~979,427~~	974,184
107	Communications	2,455,283	2,455,283	~~2,482,927~~	2,470,707
108	Treasurer's O & M	149,535	149,535	~~121,601~~	121,589
109	Drug Control	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
110	CD-MH-TC Sales Tax	1,215,000	1,215,000	~~1,321,432~~	1,464,102
113	Self-Insurance Reserve	3,820	3,820	~~0~~	0
117	Roads	~~22,277,897~~	23,647,347	~~25,923,053~~	27,113,405
121	Community Development	~~1,870,300~~	1,873,800	~~1,927,682~~	1,928,367
122	Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Authority	150,857	150,857	150,857	150,857
125	Chehalis River Basin Sub Zone Dist.	49,000	49,000	56,500	56,500
126	Cowlitz River Basin Sub Zone	0	0	0	0
128	Paths & Trails	13,830	13,830	0	0
130	Distressed Counties	1,170,000	1,170,000	1,295,000	1,295,000
132	E-Reet Technology	19,000	19,000	27,813	27,813
137	Crime Victim Witness	66,000	66,000	30,000	30,000
138	Dispute Resolution	40,600	40,600	39,431	39,431
140	CDBG Grant	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
150	Grant Award	32,385	32,385	48,406	48,406
158	Election Reserve	14,150	14,150	2,000	2,000
159	Auditor's O & M	104,800	104,800	119,267	119,267
160	Criminal Drug Investigation Trust	47,000	47,000	100,000	100,000
190	Public Health	2,315,968	2,315,968	~~2,542,109~~	2,515,866
198	Tourism Promotion	275,800	275,800	~~300,000~~	310,000
199	Senior Services	701,619	701,619	701,619	701,619
209	2009 Debt Service	445,714	445,714	445,713	445,713
210	2007 Debt Service-CC Airport	1,560,722	1,560,722	1,566,281	1,566,281
212	2012 Debt Service	711,450	711,450	711,950	711,950
215	2015 Debt Service	471,994	471,994	472,494	472,494
301	Land Acquisition	~~200,000~~	173,400	~~266,000~~	986,000
310	Capital Facilities Plan	2,804,636	2,804,636	~~1,681,757~~	2,476,757
401	Solid Waste	~~2,269,331~~	2,272,681	~~2,516,731~~	2,520,081
405	Packwood Airport	171,000	171,000	~~169,267~~	169,286
407	South County Airport	2,570,000	2,570,000	~~2,557,945~~	2,558,027
410	Water/Sewer	0	0	68,877	68,877
415	Solid Waste Disposal Dist. #1	5,706,500	5,706,500	~~5,812,306~~	5,815,657
420	Vader Water System Utility	922,760	922,760	~~945,273~~	948,092

501	ER&R	~~3,861,935~~	3,816,531	3,978,430	3,999,477
505	Risk Management	~~913,104~~	1,097,985	1,505,975	1,505,975
506	Pits & Quarries	800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000
507	Facilities	~~3,138,753~~	3,150,002	~~3,206,810~~	3,133,355
510	County Insurance	~~942,531~~	711,126	694,100	694,100
520	Radio Services	~~286,136~~	314,112	~~295,131~~	312,312
540	Information Technology	~~2,112,393~~	2,030,597	~~2,112,357~~	2,033,244
	Total Other Funds	**~~66,987,772~~**	**68,194,973**	**~~71,372,776~~**	**74,049,883**
Total Current Expense and Other Funds		**~~101,404,324~~**	**103,168,840**	**~~108,103,692~~**	**110,981,580**

Section 2. The BOCC hereby adopts the 2017 salary grid (see attachment). Pursuant to collective bargaining the 2017 salary grid may also be adopted for union employees.

Section 3. Budget appropriations for salaries and benefits are provided in direct correlation to staffing levels and may not be transferred to other budget line items without the express consent of the Board through resolution.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 5th day of December, 2016

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

absent

P. W. Schulte, Chairman

ATTEST:

Rieva Lester

Clerk of the Board, Rieva Lester

G Stamper

Gary Stamper, Vice/Chair

Edna J Fund

Edna J. Fund, Commissioner

SEAL OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
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LEWIS COUNTY SALARY GRID 2017

STEPS

Effective 01/01/2017 the state hourly minimum wage for employees who are at least 18 to $11.00 in 2017, $11.50 in 2018, $12.00 in 2019, and $13.50 in 2020.
The Department of Labor and Industries must still set the minimum wage for employees under 18 years old.

		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
Extra Help	Hourly	11.00	11.50	12.00	12.50	13.00	13.50							
7	Annual	23,580	24,156	24,756	25,380	26,028	26,664	27,348	28,032	28,728	29,448	30,180	30,936	31,704
	Monthly	1,965	2,013	2,063	2,115	2,169	2,222	2,279	2,336	2,394	2,454	2,515	2,578	2,642
	Hourly	11.34	11.61	11.90	12.20	12.51	12.82	13.15	13.48	13.81	14.16	14.51	14.87	15.24
8	Annual	24,744	25,368	26,016	26,640	27,312	28,020	28,704	29,424	30,168	30,924	31,680	32,484	33,300
	Monthly	2,062	2,114	2,168	2,220	2,276	2,335	2,392	2,452	2,514	2,577	2,640	2,707	2,775
	Hourly	11.90	12.20	12.51	12.81	13.13	13.47	13.80	14.15	14.50	14.87	15.23	15.62	16.01
9	Annual	25,992	26,628	27,300	27,996	28,692	29,412	30,156	30,900	31,668	32,472	33,264	34,116	34,968
	Monthly	2,166	2,219	2,275	2,333	2,391	2,451	2,513	2,575	2,639	2,706	2,772	2,843	2,914
	Hourly	12.50	12.80	13.13	13.46	13.79	14.14	14.50	14.86	15.23	15.61	15.99	16.40	16.81
10	Annual	27,288	27,984	28,680	29,400	30,132	30,888	31,644	32,436	33,252	34,080	34,956	35,808	36,696
	Monthly	2,274	2,332	2,390	2,450	2,511	2,574	2,637	2,703	2,771	2,840	2,913	2,984	3,058
	Hourly	13.12	13.45	13.79	14.13	14.49	14.85	15.21	15.59	15.99	16.38	16.81	17.22	17.64
11	Annual	28,656	29,376	30,120	30,876	31,620	32,424	33,228	34,056	34,920	35,784	36,684	37,608	38,532
	Monthly	2,388	2,448	2,510	2,573	2,635	2,702	2,769	2,838	2,910	2,982	3,057	3,134	3,211
	Hourly	13.78	14.12	14.48	14.84	15.20	15.59	15.98	16.37	16.79	17.20	17.64	18.08	18.53
12	Annual	30,096	30,840	31,596	32,400	33,216	34,044	34,884	35,772	36,660	37,584	38,520	39,480	40,464
	Monthly	2,508	2,570	2,633	2,700	2,768	2,837	2,907	2,981	3,055	3,132	3,210	3,290	3,372
	Hourly	14.47	14.83	15.19	15.58	15.97	16.37	16.77	17.20	17.63	18.07	18.52	18.98	19.45
13	Annual	31,584	32,388	33,192	34,020	34,860	35,748	36,636	37,560	38,496	39,456	40,440	41,448	42,504
	Monthly	2,632	2,699	2,766	2,835	2,905	2,979	3,053	3,130	3,208	3,288	3,370	3,454	3,542
	Hourly	15.18	15.57	15.96	16.36	16.76	17.19	17.61	18.06	18.51	18.97	19.44	19.93	20.44
14	Annual	33,180	34,008	34,836	35,712	36,612	37,536	38,472	39,432	40,416	41,424	42,480	43,524	44,616
	Monthly	2,765	2,834	2,903	2,976	3,051	3,128	3,206	3,286	3,368	3,452	3,540	3,627	3,718
	Hourly	15.95	16.35	16.75	17.17	17.60	18.05	18.50	18.96	19.43	19.92	20.42	20.93	21.45
15	Annual	34,812	35,700	36,600	37,512	38,448	39,420	40,392	41,400	42,456	43,500	44,580	45,708	46,848
	Monthly	2,901	2,975	3,050	3,126	3,204	3,285	3,366	3,450	3,538	3,625	3,715	3,809	3,904
	Hourly	16.74	17.16	17.60	18.03	18.48	18.95	19.42	19.90	20.41	20.91	21.43	21.98	22.52
16	Annual	36,576	37,500	38,424	39,396	40,368	41,376	42,420	43,476	44,556	45,684	46,812	47,976	49,188
	Monthly	3,048	3,125	3,202	3,283	3,364	3,448	3,535	3,623	3,713	3,807	3,901	3,998	4,099
	Hourly	17.58	18.03	18.47	18.94	19.41	19.89	20.39	20.90	21.42	21.96	22.51	23.07	23.65
17	Annual	38,400	39,372	40,344	41,352	42,396	43,452	44,532	45,660	46,788	47,952	49,164	50,388	51,648
	Monthly	3,200	3,281	3,362	3,446	3,533	3,621	3,711	3,805	3,899	3,996	4,097	4,199	4,304
	Hourly	18.46	18.93	19.40	19.88	20.38	20.89	21.41	21.95	22.49	23.05	23.64	24.23	24.83
18	Annual	40,320	41,328	42,372	43,428	44,508	45,636	46,752	47,916	49,140	50,352	51,612	52,896	54,228
	Monthly	3,360	3,444	3,531	3,619	3,709	3,803	3,896	3,993	4,095	4,196	4,301	4,408	4,519
	Hourly	19.38	19.87	20.37	20.88	21.40	21.94	22.48	23.04	23.63	24.21	24.81	25.43	26.07
19	Annual	42,348	43,404	44,484	45,588	46,728	47,892	49,104	50,328	51,588	52,872	54,204	55,548	56,940
	Monthly	3,529	3,617	3,707	3,799	3,894	3,991	4,092	4,194	4,299	4,406	4,517	4,629	4,745
	Hourly	20.36	20.87	21.39	21.92	22.47	23.03	23.61	24.20	24.80	25.42	26.06	26.71	27.38
20	Annual	44,460	45,552	46,704	47,868	49,068	50,304	51,564	52,836	54,168	55,524	56,904	58,332	59,784
	Monthly	3,705	3,796	3,892	3,989	4,089	4,192	4,297	4,403	4,514	4,627	4,742	4,861	4,982
	Hourly	21.38	21.90	22.45	23.01	23.59	24.19	24.79	25.40	26.04	26.69	27.36	28.04	28.74
21	Annual	46,680	47,844	49,044	50,268	51,528	52,812	54,132	55,488	56,868	58,308	59,760	61,248	62,772
	Monthly	3,890	3,987	4,087	4,189	4,294	4,401	4,511	4,624	4,739	4,859	4,980	5,104	5,231
	Hourly	22.44	23.00	23.58	24.17	24.77	25.39	26.03	26.68	27.34	28.03	28.73	29.45	30.18
22	Annual	49,008	50,244	51,504	52,776	54,096	55,452	56,832	58,272	59,724	61,188	62,736	64,308	65,916
	Monthly	4,084	4,187	4,292	4,398	4,508	4,621	4,736	4,856	4,977	5,099	5,228	5,359	5,493
	Hourly	23.56	24.16	24.76	25.37	26.01	26.66	27.32	28.02	28.71	29.42	30.16	30.92	31.69
23	Annual	51,468	52,752	54,060	55,416	56,796	58,236	59,688	61,164	62,700	64,272	65,880	67,524	69,204
	Monthly	4,289	4,396	4,505	4,618	4,733	4,853	4,974	5,097	5,225	5,356	5,490	5,627	5,767
	Hourly	24.74	25.36	25.99	26.64	27.31	28.00	28.70	29.41	30.14	30.90	31.67	32.46	33.27

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		STEPS												
		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
24	Annual	54,036	55,380	56,760	58,200	59,652	61,128	62,664	64,224	65,844	67,476	69,168	70,896	72,672
	Monthly	4,503	4,615	4,730	4,850	4,971	5,094	5,222	5,352	5,487	5,623	5,764	5,908	6,056
	Hourly	25.98	26.63	27.29	27.98	28.68	29.39	30.13	30.88	31.66	32.44	33.25	34.09	34.94
25	Annual	56,736	58,164	59,616	61,092	62,628	64,188	65,796	67,440	69,120	70,860	72,636	74,448	76,296
	Monthly	4,728	4,847	4,968	5,091	5,219	5,349	5,483	5,620	5,760	5,905	6,053	6,204	6,358
	Hourly	27.28	27.96	28.66	29.37	30.11	30.86	31.63	32.42	33.23	34.07	34.92	35.79	36.68
26	Annual	59,568	61,056	62,592	64,152	65,760	67,404	69,084	70,824	72,576	74,412	76,260	78,156	80,124
	Monthly	4,964	5,088	5,216	5,346	5,480	5,617	5,757	5,902	6,048	6,201	6,355	6,513	6,677
	Hourly	28.64	29.35	30.09	30.84	31.62	32.41	33.21	34.05	34.89	35.78	36.66	37.58	38.52
27	Annual	62,556	64,116	65,724	67,368	69,048	70,776	72,540	74,340	76,212	78,120	80,064	82,080	84,120
	Monthly	5,213	5,343	5,477	5,614	5,754	5,898	6,045	6,195	6,351	6,510	6,672	6,840	7,010
	Hourly	30.08	30.83	31.60	32.39	33.20	34.03	34.88	35.74	36.64	37.56	38.49	39.46	40.44
28	Annual	65,676	67,332	69,012	70,740	72,492	74,304	76,164	78,072	80,016	82,020	84,072	86,184	88,344
	Monthly	5,473	5,611	5,751	5,895	6,041	6,192	6,347	6,506	6,668	6,835	7,006	7,182	7,362
	Hourly	31.58	32.37	33.18	34.01	34.85	35.72	36.62	37.54	38.47	39.43	40.42	41.44	42.47
29	Annual	68,964	70,680	72,456	74,256	76,128	78,024	79,968	81,972	84,024	86,124	88,272	90,480	92,760
	Monthly	5,747	5,890	6,038	6,188	6,344	6,502	6,664	6,831	7,002	7,177	7,356	7,540	7,730
	Hourly	33.16	33.98	34.84	35.70	36.60	37.51	38.45	39.41	40.40	41.41	42.44	43.50	44.60
30	Annual	72,420	74,220	76,080	77,976	79,932	81,924	83,976	86,076	88,224	90,432	92,700	95,016	97,392
	Monthly	6,035	6,185	6,340	6,498	6,661	6,827	6,998	7,173	7,352	7,536	7,725	7,918	8,116
	Hourly	34.82	35.68	36.58	37.49	38.43	39.39	40.37	41.38	42.42	43.48	44.57	45.68	46.82
31	Annual	76,044	77,940	79,884	81,888	83,928	86,028	88,164	90,384	92,640	94,968	97,320	99,768	102,252
	Monthly	6,337	6,495	6,657	6,824	6,994	7,169	7,347	7,532	7,720	7,914	8,110	8,314	8,521
	Hourly	36.56	37.47	38.41	39.37	40.35	41.36	42.39	43.45	44.54	45.66	46.79	47.97	49.16
32	Annual	79,836	81,840	83,868	85,980	88,116	90,324	92,580	94,896	97,272	99,708	102,192	104,760	107,376
	Monthly	6,653	6,820	6,989	7,165	7,343	7,527	7,715	7,908	8,106	8,309	8,516	8,730	8,948
	Hourly	38.38	39.35	40.32	41.34	42.36	43.43	44.51	45.62	46.77	47.94	49.13	50.37	51.62
33	Annual	83,820	85,932	88,068	90,276	92,532	94,848	97,212	99,648	102,132	104,688	107,316	109,992	112,728
	Monthly	6,985	7,161	7,339	7,523	7,711	7,904	8,101	8,304	8,511	8,724	8,943	9,166	9,394
	Hourly	40.30	41.31	42.34	43.40	44.49	45.60	46.74	47.91	49.10	50.33	51.60	52.88	54.20
34	Annual	88,020	90,228	92,472	94,788	97,164	99,576	102,072	104,616	107,256	109,932	112,668	115,500	118,368
	Monthly	7,335	7,519	7,706	7,899	8,097	8,298	8,506	8,718	8,938	9,161	9,389	9,625	9,864
	Hourly	42.32	43.38	44.46	45.57	46.71	47.87	49.07	50.30	51.57	52.85	54.17	55.53	56.91
35	Annual	92,412	94,740	97,092	99,516	102,012	104,556	107,184	109,872	112,596	115,416	118,308	121,272	124,296
	Monthly	7,701	7,895	8,091	8,293	8,501	8,713	8,932	9,156	9,383	9,618	9,859	10,106	10,358
	Hourly	44.43	45.55	46.68	47.85	49.05	50.27	51.53	52.82	54.13	55.49	56.88	58.30	59.76
36	Annual	97,032	99,456	101,952	104,496	107,112	109,812	112,536	115,356	118,236	121,188	124,224	127,332	130,512
	Monthly	8,086	8,288	8,496	8,708	8,926	9,151	9,378	9,613	9,853	10,099	10,352	10,611	10,876
	Hourly	46.65	47.82	49.02	50.24	51.50	52.80	54.10	55.46	56.85	58.26	59.72	61.22	62.75
37	Annual	101,892	104,436	107,052	109,728	112,476	115,272	118,176	121,128	124,140	127,248	130,428	133,704	137,028
	Monthly	8,491	8,703	8,921	9,144	9,373	9,606	9,848	10,094	10,345	10,604	10,869	11,142	11,419
	Hourly	48.99	50.21	51.47	52.75	54.08	55.42	56.82	58.24	59.68	61.18	62.71	64.28	65.88
38	Annual	106,992	109,644	112,404	115,212	118,104	121,056	124,068	127,176	130,356	133,620	136,956	140,376	143,880
	Monthly	8,916	9,137	9,367	9,601	9,842	10,088	10,339	10,598	10,863	11,135	11,413	11,698	11,990
	Hourly	51.44	52.71	54.04	55.39	56.78	58.20	59.65	61.14	62.67	64.24	65.85	67.49	69.17
39	Annual	112,344	115,140	118,032	120,972	124,008	127,104	130,284	133,524	136,872	140,304	143,808	147,396	151,080
	Monthly	9,362	9,595	9,836	10,081	10,334	10,592	10,857	11,127	11,406	11,692	11,984	12,283	12,590
	Hourly	54.01	55.36	56.75	58.16	59.62	61.11	62.64	64.20	65.81	67.46	69.14	70.86	72.64
40	Annual	117,972	120,888	123,924	127,032	130,200	133,452	136,788	140,220	143,724	147,312	150,984	154,764	158,628
	Monthly	9,831	10,074	10,327	10,586	10,850	11,121	11,399	11,685	11,977	12,276	12,582	12,897	13,219
	Hourly	56.72	58.12	59.58	61.07	62.60	64.16	65.76	67.41	69.10	70.82	72.59	74.41	76.26

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Before the LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners will meet on Monday, November 21, 2016 on or after 10:00 a.m. at the Lewis County Courthouse for a public hearing for the purpose of taking public comment on the Lewis County Preliminary Budget.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board of Lewis County Commissioners will meet on Monday, December 5, 2016, on or after 10:00 a.m., at the Lewis County Courthouse for a public hearing at which any taxpayer may appear and be heard for or against any part of the 2017 Budget, and for the purpose of adopting the 2017 Lewis County Budget and setting property taxes for 2017.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that copies of the 2017 budget will be available on the Lewis County website at www.lewiscountywa.gov, after Thursday, November 10th, 2016, and will also be available at the East Campus of Centralia College in Morton, the Chehalis Timberland Library and the Centralia College in Centralia, as well as the Lewis County Senior Centers. An informal budget presentation will be held November 9th, at 6:30 p.m. in the WSU Extension Training Rm. located in the basement of the Historic Courthouse.

This meeting site is barrier free. People needing special assistance or accommodations should contact the Clerk of the Board 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Phone: (360) 740-1419

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BOCC AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Resolution:

BOCC Meeting Date: Dec 05, 2016

Suggested Wording for Agenda Item:

Agenda Type: Hearing

Adoption of the 2017 Budget

Contact: Steve Walton/Becky Butler

Phone: 360-740-1209

Department: Budget/Fiscal

Action Needed: Approve Resolution

Description

RCW Chapter 36.40 provides requirements for the adoption of the final budgets for counties. The BOCC has conducted various public hearings, meetings, and work sessions to consider the 2017 annual budget for Lewis County.

The BOCC will meet in regular session on the first Monday in December, 2016, pursuant to public notice as provided by law, for the purpose of adopting the budget for the year 2017, compiled on 2016 valuation as assessed by the Lewis County Assessor.

Copies of the 2017 budget are available in the Budget Office, located on the 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse room 209. For any questions on the 2017 budget you can contact the Budget Office at (360) 740-1198 or email becky.butler@lewiscountywa.gov

Approvals:

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COMMENTS ON 2017 BUDGET

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You have been drawing down the fund balance at over a million a year since 2014

At your optimistic estimate, you will be at 7.5 million balance in 2017

You are required to keep a 5 million fund balance and I would recommend a 7 million balance minimum to hedge against an unanticipated large expenditure like a murder trial, disaster, or law suit

I do not see the anticipated gains in revenue/decrease in expenses to warrant the optimistic 7.8 million balance in 2018 or the whopping 9 million balance in 2019.

You are levelling out at 35 to 35.7 revenue from 2017 to 2019, with expenses of 36, 35.2, and 34.5 million during the same period. With a 1% increase in taxes and a minimum 3% increase in expenses from personnel costs and benefits alone I don't see how this forecast is possible. The demands upon resources have necessitated dipping into the fund balance for 4 years (including 2017). Unless a sudden significant increase in income surfaces you will be left with no recourse but to raise taxes or cut expenses.

I am particularly concerned with the way you handled the sheriff's salary. The county opted for a Citizen Salary Commission in 2001 and the sheriff's salary was not referred to them. My concern is the precedent you set. There are numerous county employees who have salaries higher than elected officials. Now that you have set the precedent that the sheriff should make more than his deputy, are you going to raise the salary of other elected officials who make less than their subordinates? What does the high salary you set say to the unions? If you can afford such a high salary for the sheriff, then why shouldn't they demand a 5 to 10 percent salary increase in negotiations? What will that do to your future budget?

I do not believe we have had a new county strategic plan since 2011. With the stagnant economy, I believe it is necessary to relook at our objectives and try to chart a way out of the morass. The truth is that things will get worse. I predict that TransAlta will not only shut down the coal plant in 2025 as required, but they will shut down altogether. With the new Commissioner of Public Lands promising a drastic decrease in timber sales, new revenue from that source is unlikely. In the meantime, we do not have new heavy industry moving into ITAP in time to take up the slack. We need a second strategic plan with Lewis EDC to grow the economy on a faster pace. Tourism as a source of revenue will neither meet the demand for new jobs nor provide family wage jobs.

My perspective is that the county is on a track toward crisis and we do not yet have a way out!

On another issue, I believe you corrected a bad decision by extending the Senior Center funding to the end of 2017. Given the experience the county has had on the capability of the senior community to help in funding the program, I strongly recommend you seek out an established non-profit organization which specializes in senior services (like the organization in Grays Harbor County) to run the entire Lewis County Senior Center program. I believe handing each center over to separate locally established non-profit will be doomed to failure.

Budget hearing

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