



Fannin County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Jury Assembly Room
October 23, 2018 at 5:15 PM

OPENING REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Helton called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM. The invocation was led by Zack Ratcliff and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Johnson.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Sosebee commented that he did not make the first motion to approve the Billy Goat Leaf Vacuum in the October 9, 2018 minutes. Motion to correct the action from Commissioner Sosebee's vote to Chairman Helton's vote was made first by Chairman Helton. Second made by Commissioner Sosebee. motion passed by unanimous decision.

Motion to approve the October 9, 2018 minutes made first by ~~Chairman~~ ^{Commissioner} Johnson. Motion made second by Commissioner Sosebee; motion passed by unanimous decision.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Jan Eaton spoke about Animal Control. Eaton commented about the washing machine draining onto the floor in front of the dogs, and then later into a drain. She discussed the health risk this posed to the dogs. Eaton discussed a volunteer that was scrubbing a kennel and how she felt that should be an employee's job. Eaton called for those two items to be improved immediately.

NEW BUSINESS

The first variance request was from Adam and Rachel Davenport. No one was in attendance in opposition. Motion made first by Chairman Helton. Motion made second by Commissioner Sosebee; motion passed unanimously.

The next agenda item was a variance request from Glen and Diane Keen. No one in attendance in opposition. Motion made first by Commissioner Johnson. Second made by Commissioner Sosebee; motion passed by unanimous decision.

The final variance request was from Joel V. and Kathy B. James. No one in attendance in opposition. Motion made first by Commissioner Sosebee. Second made by Commissioner Johnson; motion passed by unanimous vote.

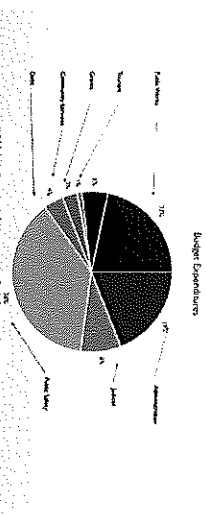
The next agenda item was a wild and exotic animal application from Project Chimps. A representative from Project Chimps stated they would be holding "Chimp or Treat". The representative stated they were requesting to bring in five male and five female chimps. Commissioner Sosebee asked how many chimps would eventually be at Project Chimps. The representative stated there would be 200 chimps, if they are able to continue the construction, and there are currently 49 chimps. Motion to approve application made first by Chairman Helton. Motion made second by Commissioner Sosebee; motion passed by unanimous decision.

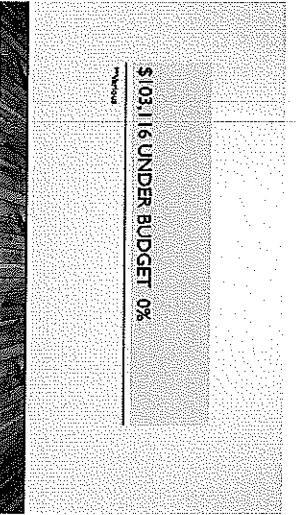
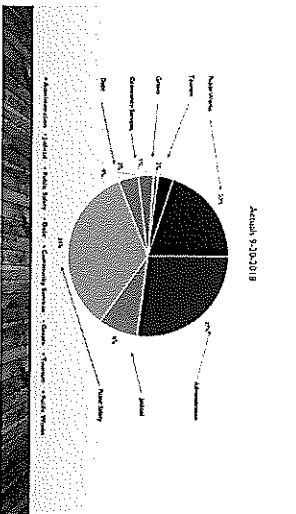
Financial Director Robin Gazaway gave the following financial report:

2018 BUDGET REPORT

FANNIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

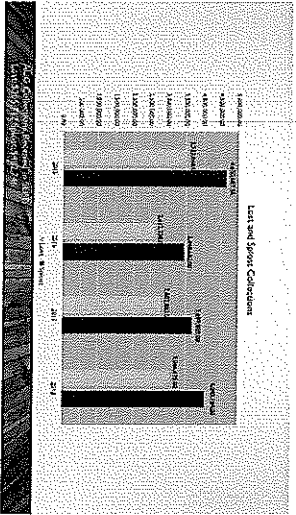
	2017	2018	%
Administration	\$529,715	\$539,940	101.9%
Animal Services	\$2,827,111	\$1,919,324	67.7%
Public Safety	\$10,842,441	\$10,012,466	92.4%
Public Works	\$17,946,877	\$17,024,462	94.9%
General	\$44,017	\$4,142	9.4%
Grants	\$137,150	\$11,114	8.1%
Interfund	\$120,100	\$43,217	36.0%
Special Projects	\$4,072,245	\$4,971,515	122.1%
Total	\$27,672,736	\$26,423,238	95.5%





Points of Interest ... 75% into the Budget

Department	Budget	Actual	%	Actual Budget
Public Safety	827,823	741,434	90%	286,577 (34.6%)
Building Maintenance	551,193	40,527	7%	510,666 (92.9%)
Public Roadways/CST	4,197,242	4,028,542	96%	168,700 (4.0%)
Public Health	2,222,914	1,702,812	77%	520,102 (23.4%)
Public Administration	645,145	487,207	75%	157,938 (24.5%)
Public Services	1,122,427	417,277	37%	705,150 (62.3%)
Court Districts (All)	1,287,181	1,102,818	86%	184,363 (14.4%)



Commissioner Johnson inquired about how many payments are left on the debt. Gazaway stated she believed there are three years left and that there are two payments per year.

Chairman Helton thanked Dana Chastain and Clerk of Court's office for the holiday decorations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not needed.

CLOSING

Commissioner Sosebee made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Johnson made second the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Motion adjourned at 5:36 PM.

[Signature]
 Stan Helton, Chairman

[Signature]
 Paul M. Johnson

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 Earl Johnson, Post One Commissioner

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 Larry Joe Sosebee, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:
[Signature]
 Lynn Doss, Interim County Clerk