

ELK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RELEASE PRELIMINARY 2018 BUDGET

The Elk County Board of Commissioners is presenting the proposed 2018 county operational budget in the amount of \$12,644,115 and an overall budget including Federal, State, Retirement and Operational budgets is \$17,793,436. This year's budget will not include any increases in the taxable millage currently assessed. In addition, the county will continue full operational capacity within all departments and vital services. As per the recently ratified Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs), all bargaining employees will receive a 2.5% wage increase, all non-bargaining employees will receive a 2.5% wage increase, and elected officials will receive a 2% wage increase.

The Elk County Commissioners, following past practices, wish to inform taxpayers that the county has discretionally applied Marcellus Shale Gas (Act 13) funding to address budget items that meet statutory compliance in order to reduce the financial burden on local taxpayers. For example, Emergency Preparedness and Public Safety, Environmental Programs, and Reconstruction of Public Infrastructure will benefit in 2018 without the need to rely on tax payer dollars. Furthermore, the county intends to continue to award a portion of those Elk County Act 13 funds to Elk County municipalities, non-profit organizations, volunteer fire departments and other first responders.

Although the Elk County Prison continues to be the county's largest expenditure, it is important to realize that in many ways the prison operates as a small closed community running 24 hours a day with such things as medical care and prescriptions, food service, maintenance, security; as well as the supervision of inmates. There are no federal or state reimbursements available to share these costs.

Similarly other departments that deal with court related matters, such as the Sheriff's Office or Parole and Probation; or addressing family or social dysfunction, such as Children and Youth or Domestic Relations; will drive higher expenditures. This is often a result of greater state or federal requirements, a reduced amount of state reimbursement, or both.

In addition to the day-to-day work, the 2018 budget was also prepared to create a firm financial position toward more medium and long range capital expenditures. For example, The District Attorney and Public Defender's Office continue to prepare for two certified death penalty trials; the county will continue to work with human service and law enforcement to address the opioid and heroin epidemic; the county will continue to work with our Elections Office to monitor the voting machines and prepare for any voting system changes that may be required, and in 2018 on-going reviews with our Warden and Prison Board may lead to more options for care and treatment of individuals with mental illness and developmental disabilities outside of the prison system.

While the county commissioners continue to stay vigilant to the ever changing demands on local government, there will be an element of uncertainty largely beyond the county's direct control. Economic factors, state and federal policy changes, and other unforeseen events can undermine even the best projected budget. What is more certain, however, is that every decision that is made is always done with the taxpayer in mind. To that end, in spite of shrinking revenues and increasing costs, the commissioners consistently seek ways of operating in a more fiscally responsible way without sacrificing the delivery of services or operation to the county residents.

The Elk County Board of Commissioners would like to acknowledge and thank elected officials, department heads and staff who have cooperated in the budget preparation effort as well as their professional every day service. Also, special recognition is given the Chief Clerk, the Fiscal Officers, the Treasurer and others who worked tirelessly to compile the numbers for this year's budget.

2018 Elk County Budget Proposal

Account#	Description	2018 Budget
310596	REAL ESTATE TAXES/INTERIM BILL	\$ 8,135
311000	REAL ESTATE TAXES/CURRENT	\$ 7,199,007
311100	REAL ESTATE TAXES/PREVIOUS	\$ 141,300
311596	R.E. TAXES/PREVIOUS-INTERIM	\$ -
312000	PER CAPITA TAXES/CURRENT	\$ 91,260
312100	PER CAPITA TAXES/PREVIOUS	\$ 4,340
312200	PER CAPITA TAXES/PRIOR	\$ 996
313000	DELINQUENT TAXES	\$ 572,825
331500	FEDERAL PYMT IN LIEU OF TAXES	\$ 199,000
332200	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	\$ 355,466
332400	STATE PYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	\$ -
332500	OTHR ST PYMTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	\$ 258,000
340000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT-ALL OTHER	\$ 510,278
342000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT-JUDICIAL	\$ 538,575
344000	PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 500,000
361000	INTEREST EARNINGS	\$ 60,000
362000	RENTS & ROYALTIES	\$ 210,000
367000	CONTRBTNS & DONTNS-PRIVATE	\$ -
369000	OTHER MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 74,400
391000	PROCEEDS OF GEN FIXED ASSETS	\$ -
392000	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS	\$ 1,920,534
394000	REFUNDS PRIOR YR EXPENDITURES	\$ -
395000	PROCEEDS OF TAN	\$ -
010	GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 12,644,115</u>
401001	COMMISSIONERS	\$ 331,852
401101	CHIEF CLERK	\$ 57,773
401201	REGISTRATIONS	\$ 99,762
401202	ELECTIONS	\$ 110,570
401302	COUNTY NETWORK	\$ 39,758
401303	AUDITORS	\$ 62,508
401306	ASSESSMENT	\$ 375,181
401307	TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 41,100
401308	TAX CLAIM BUREAU	\$ 147,151
401309	TREASURER	\$ 201,871
401402	PURCHASING	\$ 4,000
401501	SOLICITOR	\$ 27,276
401502	PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$ 283,789
401503	RECORDER OF DEEDS	\$ 168,602
401504	PHEAA SUMMER INTERNS	\$ 21,615
401505	RECORD STORAGE	\$ 52,748

401701	PLANNING	\$	97,651
401702	DATA PROCESSING	\$	91,690
401703	CDBG CO-ORDINATOR	\$	58,082
401704	COURT HOUSE	\$	328,691
401705	COURTHOUSE ANNEX	\$	56,150
401706	CENTRAL TELEPHONE	\$	59,273
401707	POSTAGE, MAINT. & AGREEMENTS	\$	7,650
401708	HOUSING SPECIALIST	\$	3,350
401709	IT/GIS	\$	86,473
401710	ECON COMM DEVLPMT	\$	-
418400	JUDGE	\$	219,982
418601	DISTRICT JUSTICE MARTIN	\$	129,222
418602	DISTRICT JUSTICE JACOB	\$	166,190
418700	DOMESTIC RELATIONS	\$	373,915
418800	LAW LIBRARY	\$	38,950
418920	JURY COMMISSIONERS	\$	-
418930	CORONER	\$	87,037
418940	DISTRICT ATTORNEY	\$	405,322
418950	PROTHONOTARY	\$	192,763
418960	REGISTER OF WILLS	\$	52,274
418970	SHERIFF	\$	447,894
418980	ARBITRATORS	\$	4,000
418990	MH/MR REFEREE	\$	17,341
423200	JAIL	\$	2,919,900
423300	JUVENILE PROBATION	\$	198,534
423400	WARDEN	\$	219,271
423600	PROBATION AND PAROLE	\$	458,342
429300	COMMUNICATIONS	\$	911,655
429400	EMA	\$	149,932
432300	RECYCLING 101	\$	135,262
441000	VETERANS' AFFAIRS	\$	115,682
442000	CHILDREN & YOUTH	\$	732,890
468000	CONSERVATION	\$	1,170
475000	MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES	\$	355,000
479000	TAN	\$	-
481003	APPROPRIATIONS	\$	954,910
487000	INSURANCE	\$	295,200
489000	MISC EXPENDITURES	\$	2,600
489900	MISC.EXPENDITURES	\$	64,400
501307	TAX COLLECTORS/ASSESSMENT BD	\$	179,911
010	GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	\$	<u>12,644,115</u>
120	LIQUID FUEL REVENUE	\$	108,000
120	LIQUID FUEL EXPENDITURES	\$	108,000

121	LIQUID FUEL ACT 44 REVENUE	\$	13,960
121	LIQUID FUEL ACT 44 EXPENDITURES	\$	13,960
122	LIQUID FUEL ACT 89 REVENUE	\$	9,820
122	LIQUID FUEL ACT 89 EXPENDITURES	\$	9,820
126	NATIONAL FOREST FUND REVENUE	\$	1,000,000
126	NATIONAL FOREST FUND EXPENDITURES	\$	1,000,000
135	ACT 13 HIGHWAY/BRIDGE REVENUE	\$	225,000
135	ACT 13 HIGHWAY/BRIDGE EXPENDITURES	\$	225,000
136	ACT 13 LEGACY REVENUE	\$	25,000
136	ACT 13 LEGACY EXPENDITURES	\$	25,000
140	COUNTY OF ELK/CORRECTIONS REVENUE	\$	15,022
140	COUNTY OF ELK/CORRECTIONS EXPENDITURES	\$	15,022
142	COUNTY OF ELK/DRUG & ALCOHOL REVENUE	\$	2,700
142	COUNTY OF ELK/DRUG & ALCOHOL EXPENDITURES	\$	2,700
143	WORK RELEASE REVENUE	\$	22,375
143	WORK RELEASE EXPENDITURES	\$	22,375
147	ADOPTION COUNSELING REVENUE	\$	75
147	ADOPTION COUNSELING EXPENDITURES	\$	75
148	RECYCLING 101 REVENUE	\$	45,000
148	RECYCLING 101 EXPENDITURES	\$	45,000
150	HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	\$	50,000
150	HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES	\$	50,000
160	FEDERAL SOCIAL SERVICE BLK GRT REVENUE	\$	28,000
160	FEDERAL SOCIAL SERVICE BLK GRT EXPENDITURES	\$	28,000
170	TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT REVENUE	\$	612,000
170	TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT EXPENDITURES	\$	612,000
179	ACT 13 GAS WELL IMPACT FEE REVENUE	\$	900,800
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187	CDBG-C STATE GRANT REVENUE	\$	323,314
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189	PHARE GRANT REVENUE	\$	63,800

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190	CDBG 2011 REVENUE	\$	91,805
190	CDBG 2011 EXPENDITURES	\$	91,805
200	HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RESPONSE REVENUE	\$	36,505
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205	COUNTY OF ELK E-911 WIRELESS ACT REVENUE	\$	1,095,045
205	COUNTY OF ELK E-911 WIRELESS ACT EXPENDITURES	\$	1,095,045
225	COUNTY OF ELK RECORD IMPROVEMENT REVENUE	\$	7,000
225	COUNTY OF ELK RECORD IMPROVEMENT EXPENDITURES	\$	7,000
310	HOTEL TAX FUND REVENUE	\$	85,000
310	HOTEL TAX FUND EXPENDITURES	\$	85,000
870	ELK COUNTY DEBT FUND REVENUE	\$	389,100
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	TOTAL OTHER FUND REVENUES	\$	5,149,321
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	GRAND TOTAL GENERAL AND OTHER FUND RECEIPTS	\$	17,793,436
	GRAND TOTAL GENERAL AND OTHER FUND EXPENSES	\$	17,793,436