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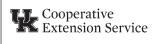


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Councilmember Lisa Johnson moved for the adoption of the proposed budget, which was seconded by Councilmember Gary Jones.

Prior to the vote on the motion to approve, Siegelman moved to amend the proposed budget to take out the lower amount required of Midway to contribute to the police budget.

interlocal between Midway and Versailles, Midway is required to pay 6.5 percent of the budget, or approximately \$454,000. In Dake's proposed budget for 2026, Midway's contribution was lowered to \$401,566 . . . right at 6 percent.

Reynolds said, if passed, the City of Versailles would cover approximately \$32,000 and Woodford County Fiscal Court would cover approximately \$22,000 of the original Midway share. Reynolds explained regardless of the county's position and its having already enacted its 2026 budget, the controlling interlocal with the Fiscal Court does not specify a dollar amount, but a percentage. . meaning Versailles would simply add the additional

\$22,000 to the annual bill to

in the police budget. "I can't believe we'd even consider such a thing. Versailles elects us. We can renegotiate next year. It is insane to give money away to another municipality to help them . . . we have nothing to do with Midway; we have no business telling them what to do and vice versa," Siegelman argued in support of the motion.

"We won't lose money Under the terms of the in our budget. If Midway pulls out, we won't hire two new officers and Versailles taxpayers come out ahead. Plus, they pay zero on capital expenses. We are here only to protect our taxpayers." Dake responded, "We are not giving them money.'

saying, "It's the same thing."

In the police budget presented by Young, in addition to absorbing back one school resource officer from the school system, he requested authority to hire two new officers.

Councilmember Ann Miller said, "This is an issue of good faith. The police presented their budget and we had (already negotiated and approved the interlocal which) sets out the amount of payments. I do think all the parties need to be at the table

the county for its participation next year to negotiate the agreement. I think we either reduce (the police budget) or hold where we are (at the agreed-on percentages in the interlocal).

Dake then explained, "Midway has no negotiating power under the interlocal, they are just given a number with no advance notice...this year the increase is \$102,000 and the year before \$80,000, which is a lot for two years given their smaller budget," she said. "I take the long view. I want Midway to participate in the consolidated police force. Grayson came to me; we talked and met somewhere in the middle where instead of us getting 6.5 percent we get 6 percent.

Vandegrift, at Dake's in-Siegelman interrupted her vitation, then addressed the

> "Regardless of what is decided, Midway and Ver $sailles\,are\,friends\dots if\,forced$ to pay the full \$454,000, we will. To be clear, this is not about policing, we respect Chief Young and we have an excellent force," he said. "We never expected a staggered increase under the new interlocal to nearly double overall in three years from \$250,000 . . . I'm surprised at what it has become. I'm just asking Versailles to honor the commitment it made last

summer when I first became concerned and met with Mayor Traugott and Chief Murray, and then we can in good faith, with everyone in the room, negotiate a new agreement.' Siegelman asked Vandeg-

rift what would Midway do if Versailles came and asked it to pay an extra \$50,000 towards the police budget. "We did that," Vandegrift reminded him. "In 2019, Chief Murray and Mayor Traugott came to me and

more without changing the contract. We had a good revenue year and surplus, and were happy to help out." Following the debate and vote to approve the motion to charge Midway the full \$454,000, the council approved the FY 2026 budget

unanimously. The general fund budget is: \$21,704,583 in expected revenues; total estimated operating expenses of \$16,426,616; estimated capital expenses of \$11,741,881; estimated expenses (over)/under revenues of \$(6,463,914); projected general fund balance at June 30, 2024, \$9,555,516; and, projected general fund balance at June 30, 2025, \$3,091,602.

The council also approved the Enterprise Fund and Road Fund budgets. New Utilities Department

The council heard first

readings of three ordinances to create a new Department of Utilities, which will be responsible for managing the city's water and sewer systems. If finally passed, these responsibilities will be moved from the Department of Public Works and current Director of Water and Sewer Mitzi Dake will be promoted to head the new department. The ordinances will require asked if Midway could pay a second reading to become effective.

Neighborhood Grant Program

The Council voted to continue the Neighborhood Grant Program, used by neighborhoods for beautification and improvement projects. The council agreed to place \$22,500, in the grant funding account for FY 2026.

Contracts

Council approved the following contracts: \$9,835 to Straeffer Pump & Supply for a new pump at one of the Merewood pump stations; \$11,250 to Revize Web Services for new software and design services to create a new city website; \$7,335.85 to Inmar Marine Group for search and rescue equipment for Versailles Fire Depart-

ment; \$14,088.50 to Kiesler Police Supply for standard police issue rifle optics and AR-15 rifle parts; and, \$17,275.10 to PC Connection for new laptops for the police department, which are out of warranty and no longer able to be repaired.

Search & Rescue event at Elkhorn Creek Versailles Fire Depart-

ment Chief T.A. Rankin relayed that South Elkhorn Creek had been very active with flash flooding over the weekend and was extremely dangerous. He said there was a drowning on Saturday, June 14, and they received a call to rescue one kayaker and four members of a neighboring fire department who had become trapped in attempting to rescue the victim. Rankin said the department's swift water rescue squad received the request for assistance and was able to rescue the original victim and the four firefighters.

