

Commission

Department Overview

The County Commission is the Chief Executive and Legislative branch for Gallatin County. The Commission consists of three elected commissioners. A commissioner is required to live within a commission district, but commissioners are elected by all voters in the County (at large). Commissioners are elected to six-year terms. In January of each year, members of the County Commission elect a chairman of the board. The Chairman is responsible for conducting public meetings in compliance with state law.

The County Commission is responsible for County policies, subdivision review, resolutions, zoning, County budget, setting levies for County funds, fire districts, setting of fees for fire service areas, rural improvement districts, bond funds and other special districts, and appointing 210 (plus) residents to more than 34 boards and commissions.

The budget that follows includes expenses authorized in the Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Fund. These expenses are for special professional services including unanticipated legal services, and emergency repairs to the communication system, if needed.

Department Goals

- Develop a decision making process that balances the County's statutory obligations and responsibilities with community needs.
- Adhere to County Mission, Vision, and Goals when making decisions.
- Follow the Commission Budget Goals, Objectives, and Parameters established for FY 2017 when allocating resources.
- Priorities – public health, safety and general welfare.
- Priorities based on legal requirements and/or documented demand by public, consistent with County and Departmental Performance Measurements.
- Improve and enhance the efficiency, effectiveness and productivity of every County function through budget administration and performance management.
- Continue support of local and regional economic development efforts.
- Continue support of improvements to the Criminal Justice System.
- Improve transparency in government whenever possible.

Recent Accomplishments

- Restructured County Organizational Chart and confirmed role of County Administrator.
- Continued work on the Master Planning of the Law & Justice Center Campus
- Involved in Northern Rocky Mountain Economic Development District activities.
- Involvement with organization and participation in Custer/Gallatin Collaborative.
- Sold various parcels of County-owned property no longer necessary for County purposes
- Hired Road Supervisor, Grants Coordinator and half-time Commission Assistant.
- Commission staff assisted short-staffed departments with web and administrative work.
- Continued plowing of Hyalite Road with funding from the Resource Advisory Council (RAC).
- Continued to manage 80+ Rural Improvement Districts.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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Department Budget

Object of Expenditure	Actual FY 2015	Budget FY 2016	Actual FY 2016	Request FY 2017	Preliminary FY 2017	Final FY 2017
Personnel	\$ 325,693	\$ 361,235	\$ 362,884	\$ 362,508	\$ 353,960	\$ 353,960
Operations	124,936	186,027	94,558	140,388	138,388	201,288
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	-	10,000	-	11,000	11,000	12,600
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 450,629	\$ 557,262	\$ 457,442	\$ 513,896	\$ 503,348	\$ 567,848

Budget by Fund Group

General Fund	\$ 389,605	\$ 432,762	\$ 428,265	\$ 435,396	\$ 424,848	\$ 424,848
Special Revenue Funds	61,024	114,500	22,677	65,000	65,000	127,000
Debt Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal Service Funds	-	10,000	6,500	13,500	13,500	16,000
Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 450,629	\$ 557,262	\$ 457,442	\$ 513,896	\$ 503,348	\$ 567,848

Funding Sources

Tax Revenues	\$ 206,555	\$ 202,643	\$ 207,951	\$ 210,325	\$ 192,577	\$ 193,794
Non-Tax Revenues	176,482	126,442	209,034	148,426	123,722	128,742
Cash Reappropriated	67,591	228,177	40,457	155,145	187,049	245,312
Total	\$ 450,629	\$ 557,262	\$ 457,442	\$ 513,896	\$ 503,348	\$ 567,848

Department Personnel

No. of Positions	FT/PT	Title	FTE 2015	FTE 2016	FTE 2017
3	Full-Time	Elected County Commissioners	3.00	3.00	3.00
1	Full-Time	Lead Executive Assistant	1.00	1.00	1.00
1	Part-Time	Executive Support	0.00	0.50	0.52
5		Total Program	4.00	4.50	4.52