

HWR and Budget&Finance Committees April 18, 2023

Rescue Squad:

Trying to get even with fire dept

Offers multiple teams that fire dept doesn't - search and rescue, dive team In business since 1963

Covers water calls including swift water drownings

10 first responders

21 search and rescue members

Structural collapse experts

Gets called for tornado damage rescues

- Mayor says he's always thought rescue squad was equal to other first responders, as peers, and that everyone keep that in mind

TN Vocational Rehabilitation Center:

Passed outlines around to committee members

Appx 152 individuals on caseload in coffee County

Helps with resumes, mock interviews, job shadowing, internships

Helps with job exploration/readiness in schools

Helps people become more financially independent

- Not asking for funding increase

South Central Human Resource Agency:

- Mayor serves on the board

-50 year anniversary this year

-County building donated last year for Head Start with 1.1 million dollar grant

-Provides the Meals on Wheels program and Neighborhood Service Center (helps with utility bills)

-Hohenwald and Lincoln County have industrial kitchens for meals on wheels

- asking for same amount as in statutes, no increase requested

- has USDA grant of 900k (for whole 13 County service area) that requires a ~320k match

- Mayor very positive in his feedback for the agency, especially for lower socioeconomic population

Coffee County Senior Citizens Center:

51 years old in May

-Provides for whole county, not just Tullahoma

- Not asking for any increase in allocation of funds

-Provides Senior Community Meals

-167 food boxes provided so far this year, pharmacy pickup, paper goods, grocery pickup

-Expenses tight but they're making it work

-\$5/mo donation request from participants

- Mayor Matheny has positive feedback for senior center

Manchester Senior Center:

April 2016 they became their own independent senior Center

Struggle since covid to keep membership up due to members moving and such

Working on a membership drive

3rd out of 19 areas in food provision

Has 2 employees plus 10 volunteers, a nutrition specialist

Packs Meals and delivers to homes, Helps pay electricity and grocery bills if in dire need

Need volunteers

Has sponsored breakfasts starting in July

Auction tentatively planned for September, looking for donated items

- Don't get money from anywhere except city/ County/ fund raising

- did not specify how much increase they were asking for

South Central TN Tourism Association:

Passed around impact report to commissioners

Requests that funds come from lodging taxes (not competing with local nonprofits)

Operates experienceTN.com

Operates only state regional welcome Center near the Jack Daniels Distillery

Coffee county ranks 19th in tourism

Has Journalism program over 13 counties that generates 150 articles per year

Works in conferences/ events for tourism

- requesting 5 cents per population, so appx the same allocation as last year

Tennessee Backroads Heritage:

Started in 1990s under grant for historic preservation

Promotes travel to area off the interstate

Sponsors 10-12 yearly events

Puts brochures in Tennessee welcome centers

Spring dinner is May 30th at 530 at Bell Buckle banquet hall, speaker is the director of Celebration (Warren Wells?)

Website, newsletter monthly

- asking for same amount of funding as last year

Centerstone Tullahoma:

Provides services to uninsured/ under insured

Nonprofit for addiction disorders, mental disorders

Trainings on mental health, stress management for police/ first responders; trainings on parenting

- asking for same allocation as last year

Coffee County Child Advocacy Center:

- asking for same allocation as last year

Provides forensic interviews for abuse allegations

Works with DA

Provides trauma focused therapy

Has 2 part time therapists

Helps coordinate resources for families

Has on site medical exams for sexual abuse exams so no need to drive to Nashville

Education on recognizing sexual abuse, preventing it, 33% of children under age of 6

All free of charge

Major cuts this year, most 47k due to removal of grants

April 28th 6-930 silent and live auction in Morrison

Court supported special advocate (CASA):

Advocates for children abused and neglected

Drug use is rampant

These parents don't necessarily know how to parent properly, so children get moved to foster care

Recruit volunteers from community with passion and wherewithal to advocate for abused and neglected children

Interviews and trains volunteers to find people with integrity

Works with other agencies to train on domestic violence, drug abuse, police, lawyers educate

Background checks through outside agencies

Bedford, Coffee, Franklin and Warren counties

Volunteers visit children monthly

Need foster homes in community

Volunteers are scarce

Works with parents to help alleviate the cause of lack of parenting skills
Works with DCFS

Haven Hope:

Victim Advocacy service for victims (Women) of stalking and domestic abuse

Helps victims Find out options and rights

Emergency shelter for victims and children

In Justice Center

Helps with basic needs of food, personal care items, clothing

Anonymous

Gives Advocacy to help teach how the judicial system works, how to get orders of protection etc

- asking for same amount as last year

Manchester Recreation Department:

N/A

Manchester Fire Dept:

N/A

Tulahoma Airport Authority:

Asked for 8% increase which will go toward 5% local share of federal grants

Also needs to replace equipment 40+ years old

Flight school from Smyrna moving here next month

Mtsu in talks due to mboro airport having a construction project this summer and some air traffic will be redirected

- Requested 16.2k

Tulahoma Fire Dept:

Works with Manchester fire dept and homeland security district 6

Lots of medical response (increasing, per him), support EMS if they're busy

Requesting 15k, up from 10k last year due to increased needs

Coffee County Humane Society:

-Since 1993

-All volunteer, started as a rescue

-Overpopulation is the biggest issue

-600 spay/neuter every year for those under 35k/ year income

-Spay/ release for cats to help manage population

Asks for copay but many cannot give

-Procedures have increased from \$50 last year to \$85 now

- asking for help, never received help before, asking 5k

- Mayor Matheny encourages committee to really consider allotting money for vet costs

Hickerson Station Fire Dept:

Tulahoma/ Manchester

All-volunteer dept, has 15 volunteers

"Everything's cost increasing nowadays"

Since Jan 1, installed 36 smoke alarms

- would appreciate any increase due to increase for fuel, tires, insurance

Hillsboro Fire Dept:

Average 130-150 calls per year

Works with AFB

cost of everything increasing
Have to replace tires every 7 years per regulations
Some volunteers have personal loans for buildings and truck costs

New Union Fire Dept:
Asking to reallocate the smoke alarm program funds so they can buy different things
Buying a new fire truck, it's double the cost it was 7 years ago for the same kind
Most of funds to lakewood park
Has 28 volunteer members

North Coffee Fire Dept:
Asked for slight increase due to inflation
17 active volunteers
Smoke detector install program has been a success

Summitville Fire Dept:
Smoke detector program helping with replacing equipment
Asking for slight increase due to having older trucks and parts are expensive and hard to obtain
6k to replace truck tires without labor included
17 members right now, one has been there 50 years (founding member)

Tulahoma Fine Arts Center
Established in 1968.
Requesting \$15,000 or the maximum allocation the govt of Coffee County deems appropriate.