

Commissioners pass 2012 permanent appropriations

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est in about a decade.

"Passage of this budget will stabilize current county operations without adding additional staff," Troy said. "The County Jail and the Juvenile Detention Center will be able to remain open and staffed at current levels."

It was decided there would be \$1.5 million set aside for maintenance and repairs to county buildings, Commissioner Bob Aufuldish said the commissioners appreciated the operation of the department heads, officials and others

This year's budget totals \$58,551,886.31. There was a carryover balance of \$2.7 million from 2011, the low-

involved in the budget hearings who worked to make the budget possible.

"We made the adjustments, I think, over the years, to meet the challenges of our budget at the time," Sines said. "We made the cuts. We worked with the department heads and county officials to streamline operations; to make the county lean and mean, so to speak."

He said they did not want to raise the sale tax, but it was necessary to continue providing the county

services required. He noted the sales tax increase was necessary to maintain services (and there were no increases in personnel or salaries).

Troy noted they were expecting another 25 percent drop in Local Government Funds from the state this year. There will also be a drop in real estate tax revenues due to the reassessment and the decrease of inside millage from 2.1 to 1.1 mills which the commissioners decided to do to help property owners.

Lake County Budget Comparison 2010-2012

General Fund Appropriation	2010	2011	2012
Board of County Commissioners	\$ 1,163,238	\$ 961,743	\$ 959,667
Information Technology	\$ 770,291	\$ 694,192	\$ 546,800
Buildings & Grounds	\$ 3,607,134	\$ 3,306,177	\$ 3,220,253
Planning Commission	\$ 322,696	\$ 359,033	\$ 370,136
Building Regulation	\$ 428,799	\$ 401,594	\$ 419,724
Non-Departmental	\$ 5,323,913	\$ 4,504,280	\$ 5,210,162
Special Police Prosecutors	\$ 1,790	\$ 1,790	\$ 1,790
Insurance on Property	\$ 8,500,000	\$ 8,450,000	\$ 13,037,000
Taxes	\$ 60,900	\$ 56,000	\$ 68,000
Humane Society	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 450
T.B. Clinics & Care	\$ 18,937	\$ 18,937	\$ 18,938
Registration of Vital Statistics	\$ 2,500	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,600
Hydrophobia	\$ 1,000	\$ 750	\$ 750
Lake County Historical Society	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,000
Apiary Inspection	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,200
Lake County Fair Board	\$ 3,300	\$ 3,300	\$ 3,300
OSU Extension	\$ 125,000	\$ 110,000	\$ 100,000
Bureau of Inspection	\$ 80,000	\$ 78,000	\$ 78,000
Contingencies	\$ 700,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 1,200,000
Tax Settlement Deductions	\$ 160,000	\$ 148,000	\$ 148,000
Medical and Hospital Fees	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
LC Economic Development	\$ 125,000	\$ 110,000	\$ 100,000
Neighboring Grant	\$ 36,973	\$ 35,000	\$ 38,086
Sub-Grantee Projects	\$ 0	\$ 25,000	\$ 0
Auditor General Office	\$ 845,971	\$ 796,561	\$ 711,209
Auditor Real Property	\$ 46,869	\$ 47,569	\$ 14,005
Treasurer	\$ 381,245	\$ 361,390	\$ 377,625
Recorder	\$ 598,350	\$ 547,858	\$ 502,434
Microfilm	\$ 20,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Prosecutor	\$ 3,589,326	\$ 3,337,846	\$ 2,049,956
Sheriff General Office	\$ 14,129,379	\$ 13,244,991	\$ 10,150,380
Sheriff Central Communications	\$ 1,867,925	\$ 1,719,274	\$ 1,702,472
Sheriff Road Patrol (New fund)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,329,780
Coroner	\$ 415,604	\$ 388,704	\$ 383,721
Clerk of Courts	\$ 1,627,250	\$ 1,572,196	\$ 1,452,982
Common Pleas Court I	\$ 413,984	\$ 436,946	\$ 405,591
Common Pleas Court II	\$ 408,268	\$ 417,844	\$ 382,206
Common Pleas Court V	\$ 447,094	\$ 445,761	\$ 419,031
Common Pleas Court IV	\$ 382,969	\$ 383,844	\$ 379,054
Probate Court	\$ 893,665	\$ 907,059	\$ 884,410
Juvenile Court	\$ 1,413,835	\$ 1,423,807	\$ 1,460,808
Juvenile Probation	\$ 528,990	\$ 486,110	\$ 468,062
Detention Center	\$ 1,530,800	\$ 1,585,317	\$ 1,533,105
Intake Department	\$ 444,468	\$ 452,085	\$ 475,260
Child Placement	\$ 25,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000
Domestic Relations	\$ 1,157,800	\$ 1,054,848	\$ 961,800
Jury Commission	\$ 15,041	\$ 17,436	\$ 20,554
Adult Probation	\$ 723,036	\$ 532,414	\$ 557,988
Court of Appeals	\$ 195,100	\$ 104,000	\$ 183,500
Public Defender	\$ 1,357,608	\$ 1,389,701	\$ 1,362,859
Painesville Municipal Court	\$ 194,551	\$ 198,300	\$ 197,016
Mentor Municipal Court	\$ 135,410	\$ 135,500	\$ 146,355
Willoughby Municipal Court	\$ 211,175	\$ 213,000	\$ 212,614
Board of Elections	\$ 1,539,566	\$ 1,175,241	\$ 1,771,453
Engineer Tax Map	\$ 260,300	\$ 223,068	\$ 235,551
Soldiers Relief	\$ 700,000	\$ 650,000	\$ 650,000
Veterans Services	\$ 564,213	\$ 544,659	\$ 545,488
Community Corrections Plan. Coord.	\$ 50,376	\$ 50,171	\$ 50,171
Grand Total	\$ 58,549,139	\$ 54,834,047	\$ 58,551,886