

County looks 'healthy' for 2017-18 fiscal year

By **Jolene Guzman**
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DALLAS — Polk County's proposed 2017-18 budget is showing a small amount of growth, even with the Public Employees Retirement System rate increases.

"I believe I was able to address almost all the needs, if not all the needs, of the individual departments in the proposed budget," said County Administrator Greg Hansen in his message to the Polk County Budget

Learn more

• Polk County Budget Committee hearings continue Wednesday (today) and Thursday. Public comment is taken at 11 a.m. Wednesday and hearings conclude Thursday morning. The meetings begin at 10. a.m. both days.

Committee Monday morning. "Overall, it's a very healthy budget."

The general fund — which includes district attorney, sheriff, community corrections, assessor, clerk, treasurer, parks, juvenile and community develop-

ment departments — is up by \$1.45 million and will add 2.2 positions, 1.2 in Community Development and a records clerk in the sheriff's office.

Property tax collections grew by \$670,000, and is the primary reason for revenue

increases in the general fund. Other factors are a larger beginning fund balance (\$500,000) and increases in Community Corrections (\$125,000).

The overall budget, which includes departments such as public works, public health and behavioral health that have other funding sources, increased about \$2.9 million to just more than \$69 million.

Hansen recommended the county levy about 38 cents per \$1,000 of assessed

value on properties for the public safety levy.

That's the highest rate proposal of the first three years, but lower than the limit of 45 cents per \$1,000 that voters approved.

This year, the county received about \$406,000 in revenue from timber harvest on federal land.

It is the first year the county's payment has been based on actual timber cut after the expiration of the Secure Rural Schools Act.

If Congress does pass an-

other plan for federal forests, the payment amount could fluctuate.

"I don't get a detailed report of what is going to get cut and what isn't and how much we are going to receive," Hansen said. Whatever we receive, if you are OK, we will probably use it to offset the operating levy anyway."

Budget hearing will continue through Thursday, when the budget committee will tentatively approve the budget.

Music, food, vendors line up to celebrate eclipse in Dallas

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DALLAS — The Great American Eclipse is coming in August and event planners in Dallas are looking for vendors who would like to take part in the city's big downtown party.

Dallas Eclipse Celebration on the Square will be from Aug. 18 to eclipse day Aug. 21, hosted by the Dallas

Downtown Association, Dallas Area Visitors Center, Pressed Coffee & Wine Bar, Dallas Arts Association, the city of Dallas, and other downtown businesses.

Food and artisan vendors are welcome to apply for booths in the celebration.

Applications from food or food truck vendors, artists or those selling eclipse-related merchandise will be

accepted. Vendors receive a parking space during the event and discounted rate on accommodations.

Applications are due June 1 or June 15 with a late fee.

For more information or to get a vendor application: <https://dallaseclipse2017.com/vendors/>.

The kickoff party is Aug. 18 at 7 p.m. when vendor and food booths open downtown. Live music begins at

8 p.m. with Barracuda, All Fired Up and Madd Company (Heart, Pat Benatar, and Bad Company cover bands). Food vendors and wine and beer garden are open until 1 a.m.

Aug. 19 and 20, the festival opens at 10 a.m. with vendors and daytime music. Pigs on the Wing (Pink Floyd cover band) plays at 8 p.m. Aug. 19. Steelhorse and Jukebox Heroes (Bon Jovi and Foreigner) are featured start-

ing at 8 p.m. Food vendors and wine and beer garden are open until 1 a.m. both nights.

On eclipse day, Jan Looking Wolf Band of Brothers will play from the roof of Pressed Coffee & Wine bar starting at 8 a.m. Vendors, food vendors and beer & wine garden open until 2 p.m.

For more information: <https://dallaseclipse2017.com/>.

OBITUARIES

William Lee Bork

Dec. 2, 1943 – March 21, 2017
William Lee Bork passed away Tuesday, March 21, 2017. He spent his final days surrounded by his four children.

Bill (William) Lee Bork was born in Hood River. He grew up on a dairy farm in Monmouth and graduated from Central High School in 1962.

Bill went on to attend both Oregon State University and Western Oregon State and was an avid Duck fan.

Bill served as an Army medic from 1966-1969 stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Walter Reed Hospital, and Wurtzburg, Germany. Bill worked for Broadway Toyota in Portland, for 26 years before retiring.

Bill married his sweetheart, Reta Kay Stutz, in the summer of 1967 and they shared 41 wonderful years together before his passing.

Survivors include children: daughter, Anna A. Lynn; sons, Ian M., Job A., and Nathaniel A., and 12 grandchildren.

Bill is also survived by his loving mother, Marylee; and two loving sisters, Barbara and Joan. He was predeceased by his father, Elmer E. Bork.

A private family service was held Friday, March 24, 2017. Arrangements by Taylor's Family Mortuary, Winston.

Richard (Dick) Porter Reynolds Jr.

Nov. 30, 1935 – Feb. 19, 2017
Richard Porter Reynolds Jr. (Dick), 81, of Dallas, died on Feb. 19 in Lakewood, Colo.

Dick was a graduate of Chatham (Ma.) High School and a graduate of Indiana Technical College (Indiana Institute of Technology) in Fort Wayne, Ind. After graduation, he was employed for over two decades by the IBM Corporation.

After retirement from IBM, Dick & his wife Sharon built two H&R Block franchises in Dallas and Monmouth, and enjoyed traveling around the country visiting family and friends in their RV with their English bulldogs.

Dick was predeceased by his wife, Sharon Kellogg Reynolds; and by brother S. Franklin Reynolds.

He is survived by daughters Rebecca (Mike) Seeber of The Woodlands, Texas, Heather (Tom) Baumann, of Wheatridge, Colo., and Robin (Myron) Mogck, of Wolcott, N.D.; son Richard (Sandra) Machle, of Pine, Colo.; and by five grandchildren.

Dick is also survived by sisters, Margaret (George) Fleck, Carol (Murray) DeLauter, and Katherine

(David) Hand.

A Memorial Service will be held at the at the Eola Hills Winery, Rickreall, on April 20, 2017, with gathering at 4:30 p.m. and program to start at 5 p.m. Graveside service will be held at Green Mountain Cemetery in Boulder, Colorado on May 5 at 1 p.m.

'Bob' Robert Lee Kolka

Jan. 8, 1941 – March 29, 2017
"Bob" Robert Lee Kolka, 76, a resident of Dallas, died Wednesday, March 29, 2017,

in the Dallas Retirement Village. He was born on Jan. 8, 1941, in Ash Flat, Ark., the son of Donald Lee and Evelyn Gertrude McMillian Cliver.

He grew up in Valsetz and graduated from high school there.

For 25 years, Bob was a mail carrier for the Dallas Post Office.

He is survived by his brothers Jerry Kolka, of Sweet Home, Jim Kolka, of Dallas, and Don Cliver, of Sweet Home; and sister Rhonda Cliver, of Lebanon; along with many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a sister Marla Steinborn in 1997.

Funeral service will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 9 in the Brownsville Christian Church at 117 N. Main St. in Brownsville. Burial will follow in the Brownsville Pioneer Cemetery.

The Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center is caring for the

family. To leave a message or memory for the family, please go to www.dallastribute.com.

'Denny' Dennis Brooks Fryrear

Sept. 8, 1940 – March 30, 2017
"Denny" Dennis Brooks Fryrear, 76, a resident of Dallas, died Thursday, March 30, 2017.

He was born on Sept. 8, 1940, in Portland, the son of Brooks Gillette and Phyllis Kirkpatrick Fryrear.

Denny earned a degree in Math from Oregon State University and a Master's degree in Human Resources from the University of Southern California.

For 22 years, May 21, 1965, to June 30, 1987, he honorably served our country in the United States Marine Corps, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel.

After his military career, Denny continued to serve the people by working for the State of Oregon with the Senior and Disabled Services.

Denny was a very adventurous and fun-loving spirit who enjoyed skydiving, scuba diving, mountain climbing, and running. He also participated in Cycle Oregon for a number of years.

He happily volunteered at Lyle Elementary School and was fondly known as "Ketchup Man."



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Wallace A Frey

May 20, 1937 – March 24, 2017
Wallace A. Frey, 79, died on March 24 in Vancouver, Wash.

He was born in Salem. He is survived by four children; eight grandchild-

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