

SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting  
January 7, 1964

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 9:00 a.m. on January 7, 1964. All members were present. Also present were Mr. James Bibb, Budget Director and Budget Analysts Edmund Ahrens, Everett Culbertson, Bill Fowler and John Smith.

Messrs. William L. Mitchell, Chairman, Alvin Grauerholz and Harry G. Wiles, Members of the Commission, and Raymond B. Harvey, Secretary of the Corporation Commission appeared in connection with the budget requests of that agency. Mr. Mitchell's comments follow:

The Commission had been cut in three major areas in which they were asking some restoration of funds.

1. \$3950 for Out of State Travel.
2. \$15,000 for Professional Fees.

Items 1 and 2 will be needed as it is becoming necessary for the staff to spend increasingly more time in Washington and other areas to represent the Commission in various hearings. This will require more out of state travel money and also require increased amount for professional and expert witnesses to testify at these hearings. This activity is increasing.

3. \$7500 for a new position of Public Relations Director and administrative assistant, to collect data to assist the Commission in its hearings.

Messrs. Sam Brookover, Chairman, Robert E. Lee Graham, Member, and James E. Parmiter, Secretary of the Board of Tax Appeals appeared before the committee in reference to budget requests of that agency.

Mr. Brookover noted that the Board had been cut \$500 for communications. He stated that the work-load of the Board had increased and was expected to increase a great deal more in the next four years due to the state-wide tax equalization legislation and that the Board would probably need more money not less.

Maj. Gen. Joe Nickell, Adjutant General, Col. J. G. Youngkamp Finance and Disbursing Officer, W. G. Paramore, Assistant Director of Civil Defense and W. R. McKinley, Accountant for Civil Defense appeared in regard to the budget for the Adjutant General's Department. Restoration of the following items were requested:

In the Military Budget: \$10,000 anticipated to be need for increased rental and utilities for armory buildings which traditionally go up each year. \$5390 for armory equipment items such as lawn mowers, which are needed to keep up the large grounds around armory buildings, air-conditioners to replace those over ten years old, and dehumidifiers which are necessary in the arms vaults to protect weapons from rust.

In the Civil Defense Budget: \$2380 for a new Station Wagon. There are increasing number of requests for Civil Defense people to go out into state on speaking and other educational matters.

Also requesting a deficiency appropriation for 1964 fiscal year of \$3200 for a cable to connect with antenna. Legislature last year appropriated \$25,000 for a radio system. Civil Defense office was then moved to the basement of the State Office Building from the 12th floor. It is now necessary to run the cable from the roof to the basement, in order to complete the radio system.

Mr. Carl Glatt, Executive Director, Mr. Howard Brewer, Chairman and Mr. Perry Hooks, Educational Director for the Kansas Commission on Civil Rights appeared before the committee relative to budget requests for that agency. Mr. Glatt's comments follow:

The 1964 fiscal year budget request was \$60,385. \$59,593 had been requested for 1965 fiscal year and this had been cut by \$3209. All men in the department are working long hours and the work load is increasing but no increase in personnel is anticipated through 1970. As they had made request for a tight budget, they were asking restoration of the following:

1. \$400 for printing, \$100 for films, and \$200 for supplies. These items all necessary to keep up expanded educational program which is primary work of the Commission.
2. \$200 to enable Commission to hold one extra meeting per year. Now hold 11, wish to hold one each month. \$898 for travel and subsistence which would be necessitated by the extra meeting.
3. \$100 for repairs and \$300 for motor repairs. These computed on actual basis of past expenditures.

Commission had also requested \$365 salary increase for Executive Director.

The following members of the Kansas National Livestock Show Association appeared before the committee in regard to their request for a grant for their annual show: Mr. John Brink, President, Mr. Conlee Smith, Treasurer, Mr. Gerald Huntington, Secretary of the Show, Mr. Joe Lewis, Mr. Ben Bird, Mr. Eldon Addy, Mr. Dan Smith III, Mr. Orville Burtis, Mr. Elmo Stout, and Mr. Francis Perrier.

In the past the amount of the grant has been \$7500. \$15,000 has been requested for fiscal year 1965. The expenses for the show have been increasing each year and have gradually wiped out the cash reserve. The additional \$7500 would be used for show expenses and to help offset a \$1,000 deficit. It is anticipated more than \$7500 would be needed hereafter, but not as much \$15,000 each year.

Messrs. John Corkhill, Executive Secretary, Fred Gulick, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Roy Shapiro and James Bibb, Members of the Board of Trustees of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System appeared before the committee relative to the budget requests of the agency.

Mr. Gulick noted that the only cut was in 3% in salaries and wages for turnover. It was felt that this would be absorbed in the operation of the agency and they were not requesting a hearing on it.

Mr. Gulick reported on the investment of funds noting that they had done extremely well and had excellent actuarial advice from the Chase-Manhattan Bank.

Dr. W. H. Schoewe, Editor of the Transactions and Dr. W. D. Bemmels, President of the Academy of Science appeared before the committee in reference to the grant to that group.

Dr. Bemmels noted that the Academy had previously been granted \$3,000 and was asking for an increase to \$5,000 for 1965. This had been cut back to \$3,000 and the Academy had decided not to appeal.

The grant is used for the publication of the Transactions of the Academy. Part of this cost is also paid by the members of the Academy. The request for increase was due to the cost of publication going up some. If the additional money were received it would be budgeted toward the cost of the Transactions.

Dr. Bemmels noted that with the increasing emphasis on science in our country today that any money spent in this field would be money well spent.

Mr. Alvin Jones, Director and Mrs. Wilma Clark, Cashier, for the Property Valuation Department appeared before the committee in reference to the agency's budget requests. Mr. Jones comments follow:

An increase of about 3.7% was requested in the salaries and wages. This was reduced to about 1.2% or a cut of \$4920. Some good employees had received increases and other employees had been told what was expected of them in order to receive an increase. One position unfilled at present, which probably would not be if \$4920 is not restored.

Reduction of \$800 for travel and subsistence and \$280 for operation of state owned car requested to be restored. Department felt that it had prepared a tight budget in view of the fact that new state-wide tax equalization law, it is anticipated there would be an increase in travel.

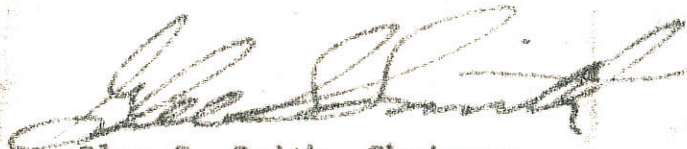
Other contractual services reduced \$2300 which is less than 1963 actual expense. This is for printing and furnishing property schedule and requests for this are increasing each year.

\$1305 had been requested for two adding machines and a calculator

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which was cut. It was felt that if \$205 was allowed for rental increase they would be able to get by without the new machines.

The meeting was recessed at 4:00 p.m.



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