

May 21, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic and North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper's Executive Order 121, the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, North Carolina, met for its Recessed Meeting at 3:00 P.M. via an electronic meeting (Zoom) with the following Commissioners present: Chairman Sidney E. Dunston, Vice-Chair Shelley Dickerson, Cedric K. Jones, Sr., David Bunn and Michael Schriver. Commissioner Harry L. Foy, Jr. and Mark Speed joined the meeting after its start at approximately 3:08 P.M.

Please note that due to mass gathering restrictions as outlined in Executive Order 121, the public was not allowed to physically attend this meeting; however, the meeting was livestreamed on YouTube at <http://franklincounty.today>. Citizens were also able to view or listen to the meeting via Zoom.

Chairman Dunston called the meeting to order and called the roll.

County Manager Angela L. Harris and Finance Director Jamie Holtzman provided the following presentation to the Board regarding the budget proposal.





FRANKLIN COUNTY FY 2020-2021 BUDGET PRESENTATION

May 18, 2020



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Requested General Fund Budget Vs. Recommended General Fund Budget	
Requested Budget	\$93,551,712
Recommended Budget	\$88,899,961
Reduction	\$4,651,751



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

FY 19/20 Adopted General Fund Budget Vs. FY 20/21 General Fund Recommended Budget

FY 2019-2020 Approved Budget	\$89,646,153
FY 2020-2021 Recommended Budget	\$88,899,961
Reduction	\$746,192



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

- ▶ **Current Ad Valorem Tax rate is 80.50 cents per \$100**
- ▶ **Proposed Ad Valorem Tax rate is 80.50 cents per \$100**
- ▶ **No recommended Tax increase for FY 2020-2021**



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

General Fund Proposed Category Funding Fiscal Year 20/21 Vs. Fiscal Year 19/20

Category	FY 2020-2021	FY 2019-2020
General Government	\$8,180,337	\$8,053,287
Public Safety	27,909,919	28,245,499
Economic and Physical Development	3,018,836	3,366,285
Human Services	18,922,878	18,606,137
Cultural and Leisure	1,825,005	1,741,706
Education*	29,042,986	29,633,239
Total	\$88,899,961	\$89,646,153

* Education decrease partially due to reduction in debt service of \$433,358



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

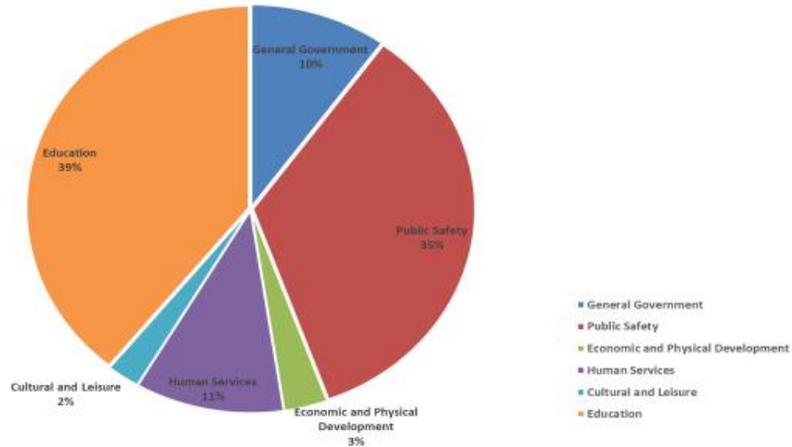
FY 20/21 Budgeted County Dollars Compared to FY 19/20

Category	FY 2020-2021	FY 2019-2020
General Government	\$6,556,234	\$6,681,920
Public Safety	22,661,918	22,407,199
Economic and Physical Development	2,067,401	2,379,550
Human Services	7,118,176	7,035,955
Cultural and Leisure	1,566,522	1,508,944
Education	25,742,986	25,647,193
Total	\$65,713,237	\$65,660,761



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

What Services Do Your County Tax Dollars Fund FY 2020-2021



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Key Revenue Comparison Fiscal Year 20/21 Vs. 19/20

Department	FY 2020-2021	FY 2019-2020	Difference
Property Tax	\$48,516,088	\$46,731,066	\$1,785,022
Sales and Use Tax	9,947,190	10,406,063	(458,873)
Register of Deeds	900,000	800,000	100,000
Inspection Fees	1,100,000	1,000,000	100,000
Lottery Funds	400,000	550,000	(150,000)
Capital Reserve- Sales Tax	2,900,000	3,500,000	(600,000)
Jail Fees	1,000,000	1,000,000	0
Fund Balance	\$4,486,869	\$4,324,465	\$162,404



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Non-Profit/State Funding

Organization	Amount in FY 2020/2021
Boys and Girls Club of North Central North Carolina	\$25,000
Franklin Granville Vance Smart Start, Inc.	5,000
Franklin County Arts Council	5,000
Franklin-Vance-Warren Opportunities	13,750
Safe Space Inc.	75,000
NC Wildlife Resources Commission Beaver Management Assistance Program	6,000
Tar River History and Culture Center	10,000
Total	\$139,750



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Retirement Rate Increase

The North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) rate increased in Fiscal Year 2020/2021 from 9.04% to 10.23% for Non Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs) and from 9.70% to 10.84% for Law Enforcement Officers.

This is a \$ 323,213 total increase for FY 2020/2021.



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

New General Fund Positions Funded (Including Benefits)

Position	Amount (including benefits)
School Resource Officer	\$ 58,897
Public Health Nurse I	72,131
Community Paramedic (1/1 start)	36,791
County Fire Marshal (1/1 start)	43,918
Total	\$ 211,737



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Vehicle Purchases

Department	Description	Departmental Request	Manager's Recommended
Inspections	1 Vehicle	\$28,300	\$0
Maintenance	1 Vehicle	40,000	0
Sheriff	13 Vehicles	544,991	0
EMS	2 Ambulances, 4 Vehicles	800,000	44,193
Emergency Management	1 Vehicle	80,000	0
Social Services	1 Vehicle	20,840	0
Health Department	2 Vehicles	42,654	0
Communications	3 Vehicles	151,664	0
Information Technology	1 Vehicle	26,120	0
Airport	1 Tractor	75,000	0
	30 Vehicles	\$1,809,569	\$44,193



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Additional Items Funded in the Budget

▶ 2% COLA starting 1/1	\$ 311,985
▶ Broadband Funding	188,000
▶ UDO Development	125,000
▶ County Wide Bike & Pedestrian Plan	40,000
▶ Epsom Park Master Plan	20,000



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Board of Education Fully Funded

Fiscal Year	Current Expense	Capital Outlay	Total
2020/2021	\$ 21,192,936	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 22,192,936
2019/2020	20,349,831	2,000,000	22,349,831
Difference	\$ 843,105	\$ (1,000,000)	\$ (156,895)



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Estimated Fund Balance Projections for FYE 6/30/20

▶ Fund Balance at 6/30/2019	\$ 39,212,564
▶ (less) Est. Required Reserves by Statute	(7,405,970)
▶ (less) County Earmarked Reserves	(3,741,519)
▶ (less) FY 2021 Fund Balance Appropriation	(4,486,869)
▶ (less) Estimated Expenses for FY 2020	(89,719,791)
▶ (add) Estimated Revenues for FY 2020	<u>86,021,453</u>
▶ Projected Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 19,879,868
▶ Using 2020 Estimated Expenses of \$ 89,719,791 the Est. % of Unassigned Fund Balance is 22.16%	
▶ Estimated Total Fund Balance	\$ 35,514,226



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Update on Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget

	Budgeted (as of 4/1)	Estimates	Over/(under)
Revenues	\$ 85,476,519	\$ 86,021,453	\$ 544,934
Expenditures	91,035,338	<u>89,719,791</u>	(1,115,547)
Estimated Decrease to Fund Balance		\$ 3,698,338	

Fund Balance budgeted but not projected to spend \$ 1,860,481



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Comparison of Fund Balance Appropriated to Balance the Budget

Fiscal Year	Fund Balance Appropriated
2020-2021	\$ 4,486,869
2019-2020	\$ 4,324,465
2018-2019	\$ 2,753,961
2017-2018	\$ 2,689,085
2016-2017	\$ 146,000
2015-2016	\$ 1,285,000
2014-2015	\$ 3,457,658
2013-2014	\$ 3,225,854



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Solid Waste Recommended Budget

FY 19/20 Adopted Budget Vs. FY 20/21 Recommended Budget	
FY 2019-2020 Approved Budget	\$ 4,471,846
FY 2020-2021 Recommended Budget	\$ 4,534,525
Increase	\$ 62,679



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Key Items Included In Solid Waste Budget

- ▶ Ford F-150 Crew Cab Truck \$ 25,814
- ▶ (2) Trash Compactors 22,000
- ▶ (10) 30 yard Containers 38,000
- ▶ Solid Waste Study 30,000
- ▶ No Transfer From General Fund



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Proposed Solid Waste Fee Change

- ▶ Solid Waste Availability Fee increase from \$90.00 to \$100.00 per household



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Public Utilities Recommended Budget

Operational Expenses	\$ 9,626,470
Debt Service	<u>1,482,667</u>
 Total Expenses	 \$ 11,109,137



FRANKLIN COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Key Items Included In The Public Utilities Budget

New Positions (With Benefits)

▶ (2) Utilities Maintenance Workers (start January 1 st)	\$ 60,490
▶ Industrial Electrician (start January 1 st)	\$ 42,350
▶ Heavy Equipment Operator Lead (start January 1 st)	\$ 36,792



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Key Items Included In The Public Utilities Budget

Vehicle Request Recommended

▶ 4x4 Extended Cab Truck	\$ 47,500
▶ ½ Ton Reg. Cab 4x4 Truck	\$ 30,200
▶ Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV)	\$ 17,000
▶ 4x4 Reg. Cab Truck	\$ 30,200
▶ Extended Cab 4x4 Dump Truck	\$ 70,000
▶ Extended Cab 4x2 Truck	\$ 25,000



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Key Items Included In The Public Utilities Budget

Capital Outlay Request Recommended

▶ WIMS Program for WWTP Compliance	\$ 40,000
▶ Hydraulic Trash Pump	\$11,800
▶ Hydraulic Breaker	\$12,400
▶ Mini Excavator	\$43,000



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Loan From General Fund

Balance of Loan From General Fund 7/1/19	\$ 1,473,836
Less Payments in Fiscal Year 2019-2020	<u>736,918</u>
Balance due to General Fund	\$ 736,918

Loan will be paid in full in Fiscal Year 2020-2021

No action was taken.

The Board will conduct a public hearing on the budget June 1, 2020.

Commissioner Bunn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Schriver. The motion duly carried approval with all present voting “AYE.”

Sidney E. Dunston, Chair

Kristen G. King, Clerk to the Board