

SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting  
January 8, 1964

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 9:00 a.m. on January 8, 1964. All members were present except Senator Van Sickle. Also present were Mr. James Bibb, Budget Director and Budget Analysts Edmund Ahrens, John Smith, Bill Fowler and Everett Culbertson.

Messrs. George Moore, Director, Fred Warders, Assistant Director, and Bob Ward, Accountant, for the FORESTRY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION, appeared before the committee in reference to the budget requests of that agency. Mr. Moore requested restoration of the following items:

A. Administration: To handle increased required paper work, \$2838 for additional clerk typist and \$1500 for temporary and seasonal. \$1967 for multigraph to replace mimeograph. Normally run 40 to 50 stencils a week of about 1,000 copies. Multigraph would also allow to copy pictures. Miscellaneous amounts for IBM supplies to increase types of scientific information data. Perennial request of \$15,000 for single engine plane for transportation over state and also to spot illegal hunters and fishermen.

B. Fisheries Division: \$2500 for feed and forage. Are now feeding fish for one additional year. Miscellaneous scientific and office equipment for district biologists including request for two underwater diving sets cut to one. It is felt this work should always be done in pairs. \$500 for nets and seines which eventually need to be replaced.

C. Game Division: 54% of this division is supported 75% by the Federal government. One Clerk Typist requested to handle increased work in filing required Federal reports. \$790 in rent and utilities, \$660 in travel and subsistence and \$300 in repairs. Presently operating at full staff and feel these amounts all needed. \$1500 cut from feed and forage, which will probably have to be cut in quail feeding program at Lansing.

D. Law Enforcement: Have three new authorized personnel so need three new vehicles. \$1850 cut which represents price difference between pick up trucks and cars. Last year commission voted to buy pick up trucks, then this was reversed by new commission.

E. Information and Education: Request for third year for additional Informational Counsel position, which was cut along with car, camera, desk, typewriter, etc. which would be needed for such new position amounting to about \$11,000. \$2400 cut in printing and advertising. Presently printing 10,000 copies of magazine and want to increase that to 15,000 to cover increasing number of requests.

F. Field Services: \$27,000 cut. These operations increase as additional land is acquired around reservoirs.

G. Major Capital Improvements: \$75,000 to \$100,000 for state-wide radio system. \$12,000 for sprinkler system at Pratt.

\$233,600 for Gove County State Lake, \$175,000 for Kiowa County State Lake and \$50,000 to complete construction of Wichita County State Lake. \$220,000 for additional land and \$400,000 of Federal aid money which needs to be tied up in a project before June 30, 1964 of which we match only 25 percent.

Mr. Nyle Miller, Executive Secretary of the STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY appeared before the committee in reference to the agency's budget requests. Mr. Miller's comments follow:

Due to some additional property coming under its jurisdiction, the agency has requested an additional museum assistant. Also requested is an additional microfilm assistant and \$3800 for microfilm and a new microfilm cabinet. Other items he felt were cut to tight were for new elevator service contract, \$25 for power mower, hay to feed the buffalo herd at Hays, etc.

Mr. Miller stated that the Society was fortunate in that all of the caretakers at the various museum sites extremely handy and not afraid to work at doing a good job keeping up the sites. Various small amounts are needed for various museum sites to maintain them. A full-time person was needed at Hays, and it was desired to increase the man at the Highland Mission to full-time. At John Brown Park at Osawatomie city provides water and electricity but paving is needed. Kaw Mission needs \$75 for materials. Shawnee Mission has 16 acres and two buildings to be kept up and would like to have second full-time person to help there and also a little more is needed to give current man his regular increase. Marias des Cygnes Massacre Park can get help from the county if we furnish gravel. At Shawnee Mission were hit hard by Dutch Elm disease and need some money for new trees. Pony Express needs \$100 for window repairs.

Capital Improvements for the building here, about \$11,000 needed to put in a false ceiling which would darken the rooms so that with lights the exhibits would show better. Also \$4200 is needed for two year program to get rid of pigeons which has become a serious problem and if nothing is done about it the experts tell us the roof will be completely eaten away.

Mr. Leroy Fox, State Librarian and Miss Zelia French, Associate State Librarian appeared before the committee in reference to the budget request for the STATE LIBRARY.

Miss French requested restoration of \$16,000 for a bookmobile for the Extension Department Traveling Libraries Commission to be used as a clinic for the training of librarians throughout the state in three areas: reference collections, book selection and public relations.

Mr. Fox commented to the committee that the reorganization of the library was taking place very well, but noted that the one big problem facing them was adequate space. Even though many materials have been stored at the old KTI buildings, or given to other state agencies or discarded, space was still fast becoming a problem.

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Senator Smith announced that the hearings for the agencies under the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents would be held on Monday, January 20 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Room 529 of the State House.

The meeting was recessed at 12:00 Noon.



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