
SUBJECT: BUDGET POLICY

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RESOLUTION ON BUDGET POLICY

WHEREAS, the Cass County Commission adopted the following mission statement for Cass County Government on January 28, 1991:

The mission of the Cass County Board of Commissioners:

- (1) To develop, approve and administer yearly budgets and set appropriate mill levies within statutory constraints.
- (2) To determine county policy and strategic planning decisions in conjunction with County functional directors to assure that county services mandated by statute, or determined by policy, are provided equitably to the citizens of Cass County.
- (3) To assure that property tax assessment and collection is accomplished, as dictated by statute, and determined by service level in serving the citizens of Cass County.

In addition, the Commission shall manage and maintain all County property, purchase and dispose of such property and supervise the electoral process for the citizens of Cass County.

WHEREAS, in order to properly carry out the mission policy adopted by the Commission, we need to establish goals and strategies that we as a Commission will strive to follow this year and in future years concerning the county budget.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the goal of the County Commission is to maintain the financial stability of Cass County Government, while at the same time providing the services mandated by its constituents and mandates by State and Federal governments. Some of the strategies of the Commission in meeting this goal are as follows:

- (1) The Commission will budget in a manner that maintains cash reserves equal to 7%-10% of expected expenditures for each fund.
- (2) The Commission will seek, and will encourage all departments to seek, alternative funding sources for those programs that may be eligible for outside funding.

