

Appointed Officials

Steven D. Powell
Chief of Staff

Kathryn L. Rauschenberg
County Clerk

Cynthia M. Parr
Chief of Administrative Services

Robert M. Burk
Comptroller

Carole V. Hammen
Director of Human Resources

Kimberly A. Millender
County Attorney

Jolene G. Sullivan
Director of Citizen Services

Ted Zaleski, III
Director of Management and Budget

J. Michael Evans
Director of Public Works

Jeff R. Degitz
Director of Recreation and Parks

Steven C. Horn
Director of Planning

Lawrence F. Twele
Director of Economic Development

Tom Rio
Director of General Services

Board of County Commissioners



Julia W. Gouge
President



Dean L. Minnich
Vice President



Michael D. Zimmer
Secretary

Board of County Commissioners Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

In many ways the Fiscal Year 2009 budget process was one of transition. In recent years, much of the emphasis of county efforts in the budget has been on capital projects to address infrastructure and facility needs. In large part these projects were funded by one-time revenues made possible by the housing boom. Those projects are now nearing completion or underway, which means that the one-time costs of construction are being replaced by on-going operating costs of operation. The housing boom is over along with growth in related revenues. These changes were anticipated and planned for.

The Fiscal Year 2009 budget process began with already slim margins in our Operating Plan and little flexibility. Changes by the State made during the Special Session reduced that flexibility even more, and changes in the economy and costs added even more pressure. Other than addressing the operating impacts of our efforts in the Capital Budget, the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget is focused on maintaining not adding services.

The decision making process was driven by our assessment of the economy and revenues, and a set of core values:

- We are committed to fiscal responsibility
- We strive to build our local economy
- We support the preservation of our county's heritage
- We will pay for quality education
- We will act as stewards of our environment
- We will work to ensure a good quality of life for county residents

The budget process was open and available to anyone who was interested. From the first overview sessions, through all the work sessions, and all the way to the final decisions, the process was open to the public, broadcast live and rebroadcast on Cable Channel 24, and available on the county website. The information, the debates and the decisions were available during the process and are still available today.

Thank you for your interest in the budget. We hope that you will take the time to understand the budget and the choices that have been made.

Julia W. Gouge

Dean L. Minnich

Michael D. Zimmer

Board of Commissioners

Vision, Mission and Values Statement

The 58th Board of County Commissioners took office on December 4, 2006. As Carroll's governing executive and legislative body, the Commissioners set local policies and determine the county's budget.

Vision

Carroll County offers a safe environment in which all its residents may live, work, and play. The rural character of our county is preserved through measures that protect our natural and cultural resources, minimize future residential sprawl, and save farmland. Carroll County is enriched by sustainable agriculture and agribusiness as well as responsible, productive business and industry that offer family-wage jobs and employ the county's skilled workforce.

Mission Statement

The mission of Carroll County Government is to provide excellent, efficient service to our residents in a courteous, friendly manner. We conduct business openly. We encourage each resident to play a role in keeping Carroll County a great place to live, to work, and to play.

Core Values

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