

Brown Co begins 2020 budget process

**(KNZA)--The Brown County Commission has begun the 2020 budget process.**

**Department heads and organizations receiving funding from the County meet with the Commission Monday to go over their budget requests for next year.**

**Most are requesting the same amount of funding or additional funding.**

**The largest funding request is for the county Road and Bridge Department, nearly \$3.6 million.**

**The second largest request is for the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff John Merchant is requesting more than \$1.7 million for the sheriff's office, dispatch and jail.**

**Commissioners will now begin the process of drafting a proposed 2020 budget for publication.**

**The budget would then be adopted following a public hearing.**

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