

Meetings set on jail sales tax proposal

(KMZA)--Additional informational meetings are set this week in Marshall County on a sales tax proposal to help fund a new county jail.

The meetings will take place Wednesday evening at the Axtell American Legion and Thursday evening at the American Legion building in Frankfort. Both meetings will begin at 7:00.

Informational meetings were held last week in Marysville and Waterville.

The Marshall County Commission last month approved a resolution placing a half-cent sales proposal on the November 7th general election ballot for the jail project.

If approved by voters, proceeds from the sales tax would go to pay off up to \$9 million in general obligation bonds that would be issued for the project. The total estimated cost for the new jail is placed at \$13.5 million. The county has about \$5 million in available funds that could be used for the new jail.

The more than 21,000-square-foot jail, which is to contain housing for about 30 inmates, is to be constructed on city-owned property located on 11th Terrace, north of Subway in east Marysville.

If approved by voters, the sales tax would go into effect April 1, 2024 and sunset in 10 years, or less if the bonds are paid off sooner.

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