

Inmate Fees – County Fee Schedule

April 6, 2023, motion was passed to:

1. To direct staff to work with the Sheriff to work on eliminating any fees not required by State Statute and bring back recommendations as soon as possible. Any fees required by the State be minimized.

As requested, staff is providing the analysis of inmate fees on the County adopted fee schedule.

Fees are adopted annually by the BoCC Board as part of the annual budget process.

The fees listed were allowable, but not mandated by Florida Statute and are collected in the General Fund. The revenue from these fees are used to offset Jail operating costs.

The Jail expense budget which is funded by the General Fund is approximately \$42 Million Dollars.

Although we have adopted multiple fees listed, the two primary fees being collected are the Clinic visit copayment and the Inmate subsistence fee.

In FY22, we collected approximately \$195,000, with 95% of the collections being the Inmate subsistence fees.

As the Board requested, the fees were reviewed and are considered discretionary.

The elimination of the revenue from the fees would result in an increase in the Jail Operations General Fund expenses.