

Be It Remembered that the Greene County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, March 25, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners’ Room on the third floor of the Courthouse.

The meeting was called to order by County Sheriff Terry Pierce.

The Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting.

Those present were: W. Edward Cullison, William H. Harp, Jerry R. Frye, Mark E. Hall, Jr., Patti Jones, and D. Joe Huntington.

Re: Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting held on February 25, 2013 were approved on a motion made by Hal Harp. Joe Huntington seconded the motion. Motion passed. 6-0.

Re: Greene County Substance Abuse Task Force – Additional Appropriation Approval

Jerry Frye made a motion to approve the additional appropriation for the County Drug Free Community-Superior Fund in the amount of \$15,255.03 as requested by Task Force Member Bridget Blanton at the February 25, 2013 meeting. Mark Hall seconded the motion. Motion passed. 6-0.

County Drug-Free Community-Superior – Treatment	2505-000-01-0011	\$3,813.76
County Drug-Free Community-Superior-Education/Prevention	2505-000-02-0060	\$3,813.76
County Drug-Free Community-Superior-Criminal/Justice	2505-000-04-0012	\$3,813.76
County Drug-Free Community-Superior-Miscellaneous	2505-000-03-0012	\$3,813.75

Re: County Treasurer – Additional Appropriation Approval

Mark Hall made a motion to approve the additional appropriation for the County General Fund in the amount of \$2,600.00 as requested by County Treasurer Kelly Zimmerly at the February 25, 2013 meeting in order to purchase 4 new Epson TM-U675 Validation Printers for her office. The cost of each will be \$650.00. Patti Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed. 6-0.

County General Fund – Office Supplies	1000-003-02-0060	\$2,600.00
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Re: Soil & Water Conservation District – Additional Appropriation Approval

Hal Harp made a motion to approve the additional appropriation for the County General Fund in the amount of \$875.00 as requested by Soil & Water Conservation District Coordinator Deborah Lynn at the February 25, 2013 meeting in order to help Soil & Water match 20% of a LARE Logjam Removal Grant which would fund the removal of certain logjams within the county’s waterways. The total cost of the project is \$43,750.00, with \$36,950.00 coming from the grant and \$4,375.00 coming from the County General Fund, \$875.00 from this additional appropriation and \$3,500.00 from a budget transfer from Rent to Grant Writing within the 2013 Soil & Water Budget. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed. 6-0.

County General Fund – Grant Writing	1000-750-03-0020	\$875.00
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Re: County Sheriff – Additional Appropriation Request

Patti Jones made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,184.61 out of the COIT County Distributive Share Fund as requested by County Sheriff Terry Pierce in order to use the proceeds from an insurance check issued to the county for damages to a Sheriff’s Department vehicle for future repairs to their equipment. Hal Harp seconded the motion. Motion passed. 6-0.

Re: Commissioners – County Website

Ken Barlow of E-Gov Strategies LLC appeared before the Council in order to answer any questions the Council might have with regards to the possibility of a county website. Mr. Barlow mentioned many fund saving ideas including the possibility of sending tax statements by email and paying those same property taxes on-line. After some further discussion over the need for a website, Patti Jones made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount \$15,575.00 out of the 2009 Reassessment Fund as requested by the Board of Commissioners and County Assessor Willard Neill in order to pay the upfront costs to set up the website and get it going for the first year. After that initial cost, the Commissioners would ask for the estimated \$3,115.00 required annually for years 2 through 4 from the Commissioners’ Budget thereafter. Mark Hall seconded the motion. Motion passed. 5-1. Ed Cullison voted against.

Re: Council – May Meeting Date

Hal Harp made a motion to hold the May Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners’ Room at the courthouse in lieu of Memorial Day. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed. 6-0.

Re: Redevelopment Commission Report

London Witte Group Representative Jim Higgins spoke to the Council on behalf of the Redevelopment Commission and the possible need for a special benefits tax that may be needed in order to obtain favorable interest rates necessary for the funding of projects within the county. Mr. Higgins told the Council that this may be required due to a lower than expected Standard & Poors Rating for the county with regard to these projects. The Council thanked Mr. Higgins for his time and then decided to bring up the subject for further discussion and possible action at their April 29, 2013 meeting.

Re: Council Issues

Council President Ed Cullison talked to the Council about the updated Greene County Fiscal Plan and mentioned that, according to Ben Roeger of C.L. Coonrod, the county’s finances were healthy at the present time. Mr. Cullison also noted that future casino revenues could drop for the county in the future.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mark Hall made a motion to adjourn. Hal Harp seconded the motion. Motion passed.

W. Edward Cullison

William H. Harp

Jerry R. Frye

Mark E. Hall, Jr.

Patti Jones

Greg Roudebush

D. Joe Huntington

Attest:

Matthew W. Baker, Auditor