Be It Remembered that the Greene County

Council met in Regular Session on Monday,

July 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the

Commissioners’ Room on the third floor

of the Courthouse.

The meeting was called to order by Gregg Roudebush.

The Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting.

Those present were Gregg Roudebush, Kelly Zimmerly, Jerry Frye, Joe Huntington, Ron Lehman, Brent Murray, Karen Abrams, and County Attorney Marvin Abshire.

**Re: Minutes**

The minutes of the regular meeting held on June 21, 2021, were approved, with reading waived, on a motion made by Ron Lehman. Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: General Obligation Bond Ordinance Introduction**

Ron Lehman moved to introduce at first reading, by name only, Ordinance No. 2021-01, An Ordinance of the Greene County Council of Greene County, Indiana Authorizing Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Providing Funds to Refinance Bonds and Incidental Expenses in Connection Therewith and on Account of the Issuance of the Bonds. Karen Abrams seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: General Obligation Bond – Suspension of Rules**

Kelly Zimmerly moved to suspend the rules of order and allow the second reading of An Ordinance of the Greene County Council of Greene County, Indiana Authorizing Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Providing Funds to Refinance Bonds and Incidental Expenses in Connection Therewith and on Account of the Issuance of the Bonds during the same meeting as the first reading. Ron Lehman seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: General Obligation Bond – Second Reading**

Ron Lehman moved to conduct the second reading, by name only, of Ordinance No. 2021-01, An Ordinance of the Greene County Council of Greene County, Indiana Authorizing Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Providing Funds to Refinance Bonds and Incidental Expenses in Connection Therewith and on Account of the Issuance of the Bonds. Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Ordinance No. 2021-01 re Approval of General Obligation Bond**

Kelly Zimmerly moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-01, An Ordinance of the Greene County Council of Greene County, Indiana Authorizing Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Providing Funds to Refinance Bonds and Incidental Expenses in Connection Therewith and on Account of the Issuance of the Bonds. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. Terms of this ordinance are incorporated by reference. The General Obligation Bond will be for the approximate amount of $2,300,000.00 and will take approximately 2.5 years to retire, assuming a 1.25 % rate.

**Re: Redevelopment Commission – Rainy Day Loan Repayment**

Karen Abrams made a motion to have the county auditor pay the Rainy Day Loan back from the current Redevelopment Commission Fund (Fund 1183) in the amount of $815,000.00 as soon as possible after this meeting. Ron Lehman seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Rainy Day Fund – Additional Appropriation Request and Transfer of Funds**

Ron Lehman made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of $1,400,000.00 within the Rainy Day Fund as requested by the county auditor for the purpose of using these funds to pay off the approximately $1,300,000.00 worth of bad debt of the Redevelopment Commission and to use $50,000.00 to fund the Redevelopment Non-TIF Fund (Fund 4902) for any miscellaneous Non-TIF related expenditures that the Redevelopment Commission has going forward. Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. Included within this motion is a request for County Attorney Marvin Abshire to produce an ordinance for the August 23, 2021 Council Meeting, which begins at 12:00 noon, transferring Rainy Day Fund monies totaling up to $1,400,000.00, approximately $1,300,000.00 to the Redevelopment Fund and $50,000.00 to the Redevelopment Non-TIF Fund.

**Re: Redevelopment Non-TIF Fund – Additional Appropriation Request**

Jerry Frye made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of $50,000.00 within the Redevelopment Non-TIF Fund as requested by the county auditor to allow the Redevelopment Commission to use these funds for future Non-TIF related expenditures. Kelly Zimmerly seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. Approval of this request depends on the approval of both the prior Rainy Day Fund additional appropriation request and transfer of funds ordinance to be effective.

**Re: Chief Probation Officer – Additional Appropriation Request**

Jerry Frye made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of $1,860.00 within the General Fund as requested by Chief Probation Officer Mike Pate for the wage increase earned by Deputy Probation Officer Patrick Hillenburg for earning his master’s degree in Criminal Science on May 1, 2021 from Bowling Green University. Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Chief Probation Officer – Salary Amendment**

Brent Murray made a motion to approve the salary amendment which reflects the salary increase of Deputy Probation Officer Patrick Hillenburg in the approximate amount of $1,860.00 for his achievement in earning his master’s degree in Criminal Science from Bowling Green University. This includes a lump sum in the amount of $654.24, which covers back pay beginning on May 1, 2021, the date on which he earned his degree. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. Terms of this amendment are incorporated by reference.

**Re: County Coroner – Additional Appropriation Request**

Ron Lehman made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of $17,350.00 within the General Fund as requested by County Coroner Joe Graves to cover increases in both autopsy and transportation costs for 2021. Kelly Zimmerly seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: County Sheriff – Additional Appropriation Request**

Ron Lehman made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of $7,491.49 within the General Fund as requested by the County Sheriff Michael Hasler to make use of reimbursement funds received for medical expenses, equipment repair, office supplies, and prisoner meals. Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: County Council – Tax Abatement Scoring Matrix**

Kelly Zimmerly made a motion to approve the updated wording on the proposed tax abatement scoring matrix, which would set the parameters to see if a new county business might qualify for a tax abatement. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Board of Commissioners – Salary Amendment**

Jerry Frye made a motion to approve the salary amendment which reflects a one-time bonus pay out in the amount of $1,000.00 for full-time employees and $500.00 for part-time employees for service rendered during the COVID-19 Pandemic as presented by Board of Commissioners’ President Nathan Abrams. Employees must meet certain guidelines included within Commissioners’ Resolution No. 2021-10, A Resolution Adopting First Amended County Fiscal Recovery Plan in order to qualify for this one-time bonus. Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. Terms of this amendment are incorporated by reference.

**Re: Resolution No. 2021-05 – Resolution Adopting Investment Policy**

After questions were raised during discussion of the proposed resolution regarding differences in wording between the investment policy recommended by the Board of Finance and the proposed council resolution adopting same, Brent Murray moved to table possible approval of Resolution No. 2021-05, until the August 23, 2021 Council Meeting. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ron Lehman made a motion to adjourn. Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Jerry R. Frye Ronald Lehman

Kelly Zimmerly Brent Murray

Karen Abrams Gregg Roudebush

D. Joe Huntington

Attest:

Matthew W. Baker, Auditor