Be It Remembered that the Greene County

 Council met in Regular Session on Monday,

 June 20, 2022 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, Joe Huntington, Karen Abrams, Jerry Frye, and County Attorney Marvin Abshire. Ron Lehman and Brent Murray were absent.

**Re: Minutes**

The minutes of the regular meeting held on May 23, 2022, were approved, with reading waived, on a motion made by Karen Abrams. Kelly Zimmerly seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0-1. Jerry Frye abstained.

**Re: County Surveyor – Additional Appropriation Approval**

Kelly Zimmerly made a motion to approve the additional appropriation in the amount of $50,000.00 within the Surveyor Corner Perpetuation Fund as requested by the County Surveyor Ed Strong for the purpose of hiring a professional surveyor and resident voter of the county to administer perpetuation of corner monuments located on 12 sections near I-69 and a few other places within the county. This, according to IC 36-2-12-11. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

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

Jerry Frye made a motion to approve the additional appropriation in the amount of $1,983.26 within the General Fund as requested by the County Sheriff Michael Hasler to make use of reimbursement funds received for medical expenses. Kelly Zimmerly seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

**Re: Resolution No. 2022-02 – Rainy Day Transfer to General Drain Improvement Fund**

Jerry Frye made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-02, Resolution of the Greene County Council Facilitating Use of Rainy Day Funds to Retire Obligation Owed to General Drain Fund. This Rainy Day transfer requested by Commissioner Rick Graves in the form of an additional appropriation in the amount of $71,786.00 and approved by the Council by this resolution will make whole the General Drain Improvement Fund. The State Board of Accounts determined in a 2012 audit, and before, that these funds were improperly used from the General Drain Improvement Fund for work on the ditches and amounts listed below. After repayment is made, the Drainage Board will initiate the process necessary to implement a levy on the individual ditches which would make the required maintenance possible. Karen Abrams seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Terms of this resolution are incorporated by reference.

Howesville Ditch – $58,979.00

Brewer Ditch – $3,666.00

Beehunter Ditch – $2,856.00

Buck Creek Ditch – $816.00

Well Ditch – $347.00

Black Creek Ditch – $4,122.00

**Re: Convention, Visitor & Tourism Board Appointment**

Kelly Zimmerly made a motion to approve Patti Danner to serve as the Convention, Visitor & Tourism Board Appointment until the present term ends on December 31, 2025. She replaces former board appointment Richard Nichols. Jerry Frye seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

**Re: LIT EMS Discussion**

After discussion regarding the possibility of a Local Income Tax (LIT) for the Greene County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to help make up any EMS Fund shortfall, the Council directed County Attorney Marvin Abshire to prepare a draft ordinance for their consideration at the July 25, 2022 Council Meeting. This ordinance would reflect a .2% (.002) LIT which would bring the total county LIT to 2.15% (.0215).

**Re: EMS Director – Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) Grant**

Jerry Frye made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of $90,000.00 within the Rainy Day Fund as requested by EMS Director Doug Hall for the purpose of hiring a Community Paramedic who will provide direct patient assessment, education, and care to patients served by the program and will assist with administrative program requirements. Mr. Hall explained that the EMS in conjunction with the Greene County General Hospital has received approval of an IDOH Health Issues and Challenges (reimbursable) Grant in the amount of $300,000.00 for the purpose of helping patients take a more proactive approach toward their own healthcare. Kelly Zimmerly seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. The Council directed County Attorney Marvin Abshire to prepare a Rainy Day loan resolution for 30% of the IDOH Grant total, or $90,000.00, for their signature at the July 25, 2022 Council Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Jerry Frye made a motion to adjourn. Kelly Zimmerly seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Jerry R. Frye Ronald Lehman

Kelly Zimmerly Brent Murray

Karen Abrams Gregg Roudebush

D. Joe Huntington

Attest:

Matthew W. Baker, Auditor