

Be It Remembered that the Greene County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room on the third floor of the Courthouse.

The meeting was called to order by Brent Murray.

The Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting.

Those present were Brent Murray, Karen Abrams, Randall Brown, Bryan Woodall, Jerry Frye and County Attorney Marvin Abshire. Absent were Kelly Zimmerly and Ron Lehman.

**Re: Minutes**

The minutes of the regular session held on May 22, 2023, were approved as presented with reading waived, on a motion made by Randall Brown. Karen Abrams seconded the motion. Jerry Frye abstained. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**County Prosecutor- Jarrod Holtsclaw**

Karen Abrams moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve changing the Child Support Deputy position from part-time to full-time, to flex with other duties, beginning mid to late October, 2023. The motion passed 5-0. Prosecutor Jarrod Holtsclaw explained this change would give him the opportunity to get someone in the office full-time to split the cases between the Child Support Division and criminal cases upon Todd Corn's June 30, 2023, retirement. For the remainder of 2023, the position would be paid from Incentive Funds and starting in 2024 it would be paid from the County General Fund.

**Roger Axe & Karen Holz- Bloomfield-Eastern Greene Library Final Consideration**

Jerry Frye moved, and Randall Brown seconded, approval for Bloomfield-Eastern Greene Library to appropriate \$50,000.00 from its Rainy-Day Fund to its General Fund under its current budget. The transfer of funds will be used for repairs to the limestone cornice/lintel issue and roof work. Motion passed 5-0.

**County Surveyor- Ed Strong- Digitalizing Survey Books**

Karen Abrams moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the advertisement of \$1,400.00 from the Perpetuation Fund, to digitize the 7 Surveyor's books in black and white. Digitizing the books will make them more legible and user friendly and will preserve the records, as the current books are deteriorating. Motion passed 5-0.

**Economic Development- Brianne Jerrels**

Economic Development Director Brianne Jerrels appeared before the Council to request the second installment payment for GCEDC's 2023 contract with the County. The council funded half of Economic Development's contract at the beginning of 2023 but requested that Brianne return mid-year to request the other half. Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the \$70,000.00 appropriation to be advertised to be paid from the Riverboat Fund, to fund the remaining half of the Economic Development annual contract. Motion passed 5-0.

**Commissioner – Nathan Abrams**

Commissioners' President Nathan Abrams requested the Council approve Resolution 2023-7, "A Resolution Adopting Ninth Amended County Fiscal Recovery Plan". This Amendment provides for the following: expenditure of \$400,000.00 to serve as county match for the Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) applied for and anticipated to be awarded in 2023 and to be expended in 2024 for road improvements; expenditure of \$350,000.00 as a non-interest bearing loan to the Greene County General Hospital to replace a failing chiller; and expenditure not to exceed \$100,000.00 to offer AirEvac healthcare benefits to employees of Greene County government on a shared basis, with participants paying \$20.00 per year and the county paying \$50.00 per year per participant, for a trial period of three years. The county would fund the AirEvac memberships in full and recover the participant co-pay annually. Karen Abrams moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the amendment. Motion passed 5-0. Jerry Frye moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the local

additional appropriation for \$350,000.00 for the hospital loan. Motion passed 5-0. Bryan Woodall moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the local additional appropriation for \$400,000.00 to fund the anticipated 2023 CCMG match. Motion passed 5-0. Jerry Frye moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the local additional appropriation for \$100,000.00 for AirEvac employee health benefits for three years. Motion passed 5-0.

**GC Sheriff- Emergency Medical Dispatch**

Karen Abrams moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve advertising for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$6,423.42 from the Sheriff's Commissary Fund, to pay for medical emergency dispatch training mandated by the state. This amount includes the cost of materials and online training. Motion passed 5-0.

**EMS Director- Doug Hall- Insurance Check**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve advertising for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,664.62, to return insurance funds to EMS paid to repair the director's vehicle, damaged in a deer strike. Motion passed 5-0.

**Re: Additional Appropriation- Final Consideration**

I. **GC Sheriff- Voice Recorders**

Jerry Frye moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the additional appropriation from E-911 funds in the amount of \$32,690.00 for voice recording system for the Greene County Sheriff E-911 program. Motion passed 5-0.

II. **GC Sheriff- Med Co-Pays**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,308.52 for the medical co-pay reimbursement from the General Fund to the Inmate Health Fund in the Sheriff's budget. Motion passed 5-0.

III. **GC Sheriff- Insurance Checks**

Karen Abrams moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the additional appropriation of insurance reimbursement checks in the amounts of \$4,592.00 (2011 Ford Escape) and \$24,927.29 (2019 Ford Explorer interceptor) from the General Fund, to return to the Sheriff's vehicle budget funds paid after two vehicles were totaled earlier this year. Motion passed 5-0.

IV. **Sheriff Dallaire- Check from Insurance**

Karen Abrams moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the additional appropriation of insurance reimbursement funds in the amount of \$4,511.60 from general fund to Sheriff's vehicles fund, paid on a radio loss claim associate with one of the totaled vehicles from the Greene County Sheriff.. Motion passed 5-0.

V. **EMS Director- Doug Hall-**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the additional appropriation for in the amount of \$550,000.00 out of LIT EMS to fund pay increases for EMS Paramedics and EMTs. Motion passed 5-0.

**Salary Ordinance Amendment**

County Attorney Marvin Abshire presented a proposed amendment to the Salary Ordinance affecting EMS paramedic and EMT compensation for the remainder of 2023. After much deliberation, Karen Abrams moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the compensation rate for the Paramedics at \$25.00 per hour and for the EMTs at \$18.00 per hour. Motion passed 5-0. Bryan Woodall then moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to start the new compensation rates on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, affecting July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 EMS payroll. Motion passed 5-0.

**Ann Barnes- Monroe County Chapter- Hoosiers for Medical Liberty**

Ann Barnes from the Monroe Chapter for Hoosiers for Medical Liberty came before the Council to find out who she needed to talk to in the county about Senate Bill #4 and the Health Commission. The Council directed her to talk to President of the Commissioners, Nathan Abrams.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Bryan Woodall made a motion to adjourn. Karen Abrams seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

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Heather Perry, Auditor