

Be It Remembered that the Greene County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners’ Room on the third floor of the Courthouse.

The meeting was called to order by Kelly Zimmerly.

The Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting.

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

Re: Reorganization of Board- President and Vice President

Kelly Zimmerly opened nominations for President. Ron Lehman moved to retain Kelly Zimmerly as President. There were no other nominations. The council voted 5-0 to retain Kelly Zimmerly as president.

Kelly Zimmerly opened nominations for Vice President. Ron Lehman moved to retain Brent Murray as Vice President. There were no other nominations. The council voted 5-0 to retain Brent Murray as Vice President.

Re: Minutes

The minutes of the regular session held on December 11, 2023, were approved as presented with reading waived, on a motion made by Brent Murray. Karen Abrams seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0-1, with Ron Lehman abstaining.

Re: Public Defender- Ashley Dyer- Transfer

- 1000-271-01-0013- Public Defender- \$80,000.00 to 1000-271-03-0016- Public Defender Contract- Ron Lehman moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the transfer. Motion passed 5-0.

Re: Jerry Frye joined the meeting at 4:05 pm

Re: Probation- Mike Pate

Karen Abrams moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$3,400.00 to be advertised for body armor and training ammunition. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Malea Huffman- Additional Appropriation- Yearly Lease Increase

Brent Murray moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the additional appropriation in the amount of \$3,800.00 for the 2024 maintenance fee increase paid by Extension Services. The 2023 agreement was originally for \$5,500.00. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Bloomfield- Eastern Greene Public Library- Karen Holz

Karen Holz from the Bloomfield- Eastern Greene Public library came before the Council to recommend the appointment of Grant Riggins to the board. Grant Riggins will be replacing Luke Rudisill. The appointment is a 4-year term, that can run for 3-consecutive terms. The council accepted the recommendation by acclamation.

Re: Hamilton Center Update- Matt Hayes

Matt Hayes from the Hamilton Center provided an update about the use of \$177,000.00 of County Funds given to the Hamilton Center for their programs.

- Approximately 1,255 people served live in Greene County.
- Of that 1,255, approximately 169 individuals are being treated for Addiction Treatment and Mental Health Services.
- There have been 943 adults served and 312 children ranging in ages 0-17.
- New programs for the County include Anger Management Group and Seeking Safety Group.
- Harsha Behavioral Center is the closest ally for children with Bloomington Meadows coming in second.
- Hamilton Center has a close partnership with DCS and CASA.

Matt Hayes closed by saying that he firmly knows and believes residents of Greene County are alive and better because of the services provided by Hamilton Center
The Council thanked Matt for the update.

Re: Encumbrances

- Prosecutor- Mandatory Legal Education- 1000-009-03-0055- \$2,500.00
- Prosecutor- Depositions- 1000-009-03-0063- \$617.00
- Veterans- Courthouse Flags- 1000-012-02-0072- \$815.89
- Veterans- Office Supplies- 1000-012-02-0060- \$277.05
- Highway Dept- 1169-000-03-0064- \$199,616.07
- Commissioners- HVAC Jail- 8950-000-03-0030- \$55,912.00
- Commissioners- Linton EMS- 8950-000-03-0018- \$1,244,000.00
- Commissioners- Event Center- 8950-000-03-0031- \$1,208,000.00
- Commissioners- Dump Trucks- 8950-000-03-0032- \$600,000.00
- Sheriff- Uniforms- 1000-005-02-0030- \$976.87
- Sheriff- Uniforms- 1000-005-02-0030- \$3,696.86
- Sheriff- Uniforms- 1000-005-02-0030- \$1,109.75
- Sheriff- Gasoline- 1000-005-02-0020- \$5,706.20
- Sheriff- Institutional Supplies- 1000-380-02-0035- \$3,908.00
- Sheriff- Institutional Supplies- 1000-380-02-0035- \$3,218.64
- Sheriff- Institutional Supplies- 1000-380-02-0035- \$1,902.00
- Sheriff- Prisoner Meals- 1000-380-02-0064- \$3,028.00

Randall Brown moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the encumbrances presented. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Sheriff – Additional Appropriation

- Food Rebate- 1000-380-02-0064- \$82.86

Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Fyre seconded, to approve to advertise for the additional appropriation in the amount of \$82.86. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Commissioners Fourteenth Amended Fiscal Recovery Plan

Brent Murray moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve Commissioners’ Resolution 2024-01 “A Resolution Adopting Fourteenth Amended Fiscal Recovery Plan”. The amendment consists of the following: 1) reappropriating \$75,000.00 for the Human Resources Department for the year 2024; 2) distributing to the following volunteer fire departments and fire protection territories the sum of \$10,000.00 per department or territory, in recognition and appreciation of the value of their services to the residents of Greene County, Indiana, and in further recognition of their assistance to the Greene County Sheriff’s Department and to the Greene County Ambulance Service: Center-Jackson Fire Protection Territory, Highland Township Volunteer Fire Department, Lyons Volunteer Fire Department, Taylor Township Volunteer Fire Department, Wright Township Volunteer Fire Department, Fairplay-Grant Fire Protection Territory, Newberry Volunteer Fire Department, Richland Township Fire Rescue, and Worthington Fire Protection Territory. The intended use of the funds distributed is for building maintenance or improvements, reimbursement for COVID-related expenses and/or for additional volunteer training; and 3) distributing the sum of \$30,000.00 to the Greene County Highway Department for the purchase of materials required by the department in construction of site improvements at the regional firefighter training facility expected to be constructed in Linton, Indiana, which facility and improvements further enhance the training of Greene County’s volunteer firefighters. Motion passed 6-0.

Ron Lehman moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the additional appropriation in the amount of \$195,000.00 for the Fourteenth Amended Fiscal Recovery Plan. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Council Board Appointments

Randall Brown moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the appointment of Melonie Graves on the PTABOA Board, replacing Jennifer Parr. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: GCGH Chiller Loan

Greene County General Hospital made the first Installment Promissory Note payment in the amount of \$25,000.00 to Greene County due January 15, 2024. The money was deposited into the County General Fund. Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to move current and future payment receipts from the General Fund into the Rainy-Day Fund. Motion passed 6-0.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ron Lehman made a motion to adjourn.
Brent Murray seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Jerry R. Frye

Ronald Lehman

Kelly Zimmerly

Brent Murray

Karen Abrams

Bryan Woodall

Randall Brown

Attest:

Lori Dawn Dickinson, Chief Deputy Auditor