

Be It Remembered that the Greene County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, February 26, 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, Kelly Zimmerly, Jerry Frye, Ron Lehman, and Bryan Woodall. Absent was Randall Brown. Also present was County Attorney Marvin Abshire.

Re: Minutes

Jerry Frye moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 22, 2024, as presented with reading waived. Bryan Woodall abstained. Motion passed 5-0-1.

Re: Public Defender- Ashley Dyer- Encumbrance Request

- 1000-271-03-0017- Public Defender Felony Excess Fund- \$2,571.15

Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the encumbrance request to pay an appeal invoice in the amount of \$2,571.15 from the Public Defender Felony Excess account. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Public Defender – Ashley Dyer – Transfer Request

- \$20,000.00 from Secretary Fund 1000-271-01-0015 to Contract Investigator 1000-271-03-0018

In support of Ashley Dyer’s transfer request, she informed the Council that rather than hire another secretary or paralegal she believes the office would be better served to hire a contract investigator. IDPC qualifications require a quarter time person to meet the “adequately” staffed requirement. This averages out to only needing someone on average for 8.75 hours per week. Between use of interns and a contract investigator, the Public Defender’s office will still meet the goal of remaining adequately staffed. Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the transfer of \$20,000.00. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Probation- Mike Pate -Final Consideration for Additional Appropriation (advertised)

- 1000-273-02-0024 – Body Armor - \$3,400.00

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve final consideration of additional appropriation request in the amount of \$3,400.00. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Purdue Extension - Final Consideration for Additional Appropriation (advertised)

- 1000-011-03-0016 - Utilities - \$3,800.00

Ron Lehman moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve final consideration of additional appropriation request in the amount of \$3,800.00. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Sheriff - Final Consideration for Additional Appropriation (advertised)

- 1000-380-02-0064 - Prisoner Meals- \$82.86

Ron Lehman moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve final consideration of additional appropriation request in the amount of \$82.86. Motion passed 6-0.

Sheriff George Dallaire then presented the annual letter for 2023 to each Council member.

Re: Sheriff – Transfer Requests

- \$500.00 from Courthouse Security Training Fund 1000-162-01-0018 to Courthouse Security Uniforms Fund 1000-162-02-0030

Bryan Woodall moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the transfer of \$500.00. Motion passed 6-0.

- \$1,109.75 from Uniforms Public Safety Fund 1170-000-02-0030 to Firearms/Equipment Sheriff’s Fund 1000-005-02-0073

Brent Murray moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the transfer of \$1,109.75. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Sheriff – Additional Appropriation Requests

- \$2,000.00, plus expenses - County Corrections-Jail Staffing Analysis

Sheriff George Dallaire noted the last jail staffing analysis was done in 2017 and did not include the jail expansion. The jail inspector recommended an updated jail staffing analysis. Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve advertisement for additional appropriation in the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion passed 6-0.

- \$168,064.15 -County Corrections -Three 2025 Ford Police Utility vehicles from Bloomington Ford, Safety Systems, Shad's Signs lettering, transport cages for two current fleet vehicles, and work to Sheriff's truck.

Jerry Frye moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve advertisement for additional appropriation in the amount of \$168,064.15. Motion passed 6-0.

- \$206.24 – DOC Medical Claim reimbursement – Medical & Hospital 1000-380-03-0063
- \$70.20 – DOC Medical Claim reimbursement – Medical & Hospital 1000-380-03-0063

Brent Murray moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve advertisement for additional appropriations totaling \$276.44. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: EMA – Roger Axe – Additional Appropriation Request

- \$485.00 – Propane for emergency power generator for EMA building - 1000-361-03-0021

Brent Murray moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve advertisement for additional appropriation in the amount of \$485.00. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Drug & Alcohol – Nicole Noel – presentation

Nicole Noel provided a presentation of the various programs supported by the Greene County Drug & Alcohol office. Nicole provided statistical information that included:

- a. Annual Report for 2023 Drug Court Services Program.
- b. Local Coordinating Council distribution report – conducts 6 meetings per year.
- c. Pretrial Program – 8 referrals, 4 completed, 3 active, and 1 terminated.
- d. Mental Health Court – This intense program is proving more difficult to get moving. Two have been accepted, one is pending and three have been rejected.
- e. Education classes – 28 male participants – 39 female participants.
- f. Works with Strengthening Families program.
- g. Coping and Support Training (CAST) -prevention program for middle and high school aged youth.

Re: GCAS Director Doug Hall

• Implementation of Transfer Truck Program – GCAS Director Doug Hall informed the Council that the Emergency Medical Service Board approved a transfer truck pilot program during peak times at the Greene County General Hospital. Currently, there is money in the GCAS budget to pay for the program. Doug Hall also added that he will have a full staff for the eclipse.

• Approval for Station Officer enhancement of duties and compensation – GCAS Director Doug Hall informed the Council that the Emergency Medical Service Board has approved, pending Council approval, assigning three station officers to handle daily issues. Doug proposed that the station officers receive a \$.50 per hour or \$1,700.00 per year, per person increase, for a total of \$5,100.00 for all three officers to be paid from GCAS's longevity fund. Marvin noted this change would involve reference to the enhancement in each base description (EMT, paramedic) that addresses selection for the enhanced role as an additional duty/set of duties over and above basic duties. Ron Lehman moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve transfer of \$5,100.00 from Longevity to a new line item for Station Officer. Motion passed 5-1. Karen Abrams voted nay. Marvin and Doug are to work further on position description revision and present those descriptions for consideration at the next council meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to adjourn. Motion passed 6-0.

Jerry R. Frye

Ronald Lehman

Kelly Zimmerly

Brent Murray

Karen Abrams

Bryan Woodall

Randall Brown

Attest:

Heather Perry, Auditor