

Be It Remembered that the Greene County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, May 20, 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, Bryan Woodall, and Randall Brown. Also present was County Attorney Marvin Abshire. Ron Lehman was absent.

Re: Minutes

Bryan Woodall moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 29, 2024, as presented with reading waived. Motion passed 5-0.

Re: Position Description & Ordinance SO-2024-03 Amending Salary- Court Services Director

Randall Brown moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the position description for Director of Greene County Court Services (a rebranding from the former Alcohol and Drug Counseling) as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

Randall Brown moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the Salary Ordinance Amendment SO-2024-03. This is amending the salary of the Court Services Director. Motion passed 5-0.

Re: Jerry Frye arrived at the meeting at 4:06 pm

Re: Taylor Township Fire Chief Randy Baker

Taylor Township Fire Chief Randy Baker presented the Council with information regarding House Bill 1454 and Senate Bill 33. HB 1454 provides that part of the tax revenue that is allocated to public safety may be distributed to certain township fire departments, volunteer fire departments, fire protection territories, or fire protection districts upon application to the adopting body, in this case, the council. SB 33 provides that a township fire department, volunteer fire department, fire protection territory, or fire protection district may apply to the county adopting body for a distribution of local income tax revenue that is allocated to public safety purposes, with addition of public hearing and upon certain limitations in amount of possible distribution.

Mr. Baker stated that two other counties have started receiving the additional PST monies and he has been in contact with them. Mr. Baker stated that the additional Public Safety money distribution under the statutes could be used for equipment and training. He offered the following examples:

- Firefighter gear (which costs about \$4,000.00 per firefighter)
- Air packs (which cost about \$8,500.00 each)
- Cascade Maintenance
- Hose test (\$300.00 per test)
- Engine Replacement
- Upgrade radio systems

The Council thanked Mr. Baker for coming to them with the information and stated that they want him to come back to the next meeting with hard numbers that each fire department/fire territory is asking for, as a formal application from each department, before deciding.

Re: Additional Appropriations- Final Approval

- Richard Nichols- Veteran’s Affairs- Veteran Donation Fund- 4101-000-03-0010- \$2500.00- Brent Murray moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the additional appropriation as advertised. Motion passed 6-0.
- Sheriff- Med Co-Pays (Jan, Feb, & Mar)- 1000-380-03-0063- \$1,146.64- Bryan Woodall moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the additional appropriation as advertised. Motion passed 6-0.
- Sheriff – Disability Reimbursement- 1000-380-03-0063- \$14.00-Brent Murray moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the additional appropriation as advertised. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Sheriff- Transfer

- Repair Equipment- 1000-005-03-0052- \$137.78 to Motor Vehicles- 1000-005-04-0020- Brent Murray moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the transfer as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Sheriff- Additional Appropriation To Advertise

- DOC Medical Reimbursement- \$347.88- 1000-380-03-0063- Medical & Hospital- Randall Brown moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve advertisement for the additional appropriation request. Motion passed 6-0.
- Ricoh Overpayment- \$114.51- 1000-380-03-0052- User Agreement Fees- Jerry Frye moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve advertisement for the additional appropriation request. Motion passed 6-0.

Re: Council Resolution 2024-02- Final Budget Submission Deadline

Karen Abrams moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve Resolution 2024-02, “A Resolution Fixing Deadline for Submission of Final Budgets”. The resolution states that each office and department must submit their final budgets or corrections to filed budgets for the following year to the Auditor by the last Monday in July or the last budget submitted will be deemed the final budget. Motion passed 6-0.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Bryan Woodall moved, and Brent Murray 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