Be It Remembered that the Greene County

Council met on August 26, 27, and 28, 2025, in the Commissioners’ Room on the third floor of the Courthouse in order to hold hearings regarding the budgets for 2026.

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Council President Kelly Zimmerly.

Those present in person were Kelly Zimmerly, Jerry Frye, Karen Abrams, Ronald Lehman, Brent Murray, Randall Brown, and Bryan Woodall.

**Re: Council**

* Review Circuit Breaker Report for 2024 and Levy Amounts @ 4% across the board

The Greene County Council acknowledged that they received a copy of the levy limits and circuit breaker for 2025 per IC 6-1.1-17-3.6. The Council reviewed in their open August budget meeting and didn’t have any comments to make regarding the reports.

Ron moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the review of the Circuit Breaker and Levy amounts for 2025. Motion passed 7-0.

* **Discussion-**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to rescind the motion from August 26, 2025, budget hearings approving the 2.7% raises. Due to the miscalculations of some departments regarding their budgets and with the unknown impacts of SB-1, the council decided to rescind the motion for raises. A roll call vote was taken. Bryan Woodall voted aye. Jerry Frye voted aye. Randall voted aye. Ron Lehman voted aye. Brent Murray voted nay. Karen Abrams voted nay. Kelly Zimmerly voted aye. Motion passed 5-2.

**Re: Sheriff General Fund Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus any raises and to adjust retirement accordingly. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $1,371,737.00. Initially approved amount was $1,291,240.00.

**Re: Sheriff – Jail Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the jail budget as presented minus any raises or any new employees. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $1,601,779.00. The approved amount was $1,470,593.00.

**Re: Sheriff- Statewide E-911 Budget**

Randall Brown moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus any raise and to correct tiers. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $542,917.00. Initially approved was $484,603.00.

**Re: Sheriff- County Corrections Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the budget as presented without any raise, to include tiers and adjust the FICA and retirement accordingly. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $266,403.00. Initially approved amount was $258,063.00.

**Re: Sheriff- Courthouse Security Budget**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus any raise and parity increase. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $156,893.00. Initially approved amount was $141,532.00.

**Re: Sheriff- PST Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus any raises or new employees and move 300,000.00 from EMS Support line to Public Safety Personal Expense Line and changing base pay. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $3,721,251.00. Initially approved amount was $3,505,037.00.

**Re: Commissioners- Redevelopment Non-TIF Budget**

Randall Brown moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the budget as presented. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $50,000.00. Initially approved amount was $50,000.00.

**Re: Highway Department- Administrative Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus any raise. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $129,351.00. Initially approved amount was $124,848.00.

**Re: Highway Department- Maintenance & Repair Budget**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $3,470,242.00. The initially approved amount was $3,419,769.00.

**Re: Highway Department- General & Undistributed Budget**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the budget as presented and recalculate FICA. Motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $774,296.00. Initially approved amount was $773,806.00.

**Re: Highway Department- Construction & Reconstruction Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the budget as presented. Motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $800,000.00. Initially approved amount was $800,000.00.

**Re: Highway Department- Cumulative Bridge Budget**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the budget as presented. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $562,000.00. Initially approved amount was $562,000.00.

**Re: Highway Department- Local Road & Street Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the budget as presented. Motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $587,000.00. Initially approved amount was $587,000.00.

**Re: Human Resources Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $58,220.00. Initially approved amount was $56,446.00.

**Re: Commissioners’ Budget**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises, and subtract 1,500,000.00 from the Health Insurance Line. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $6,383,733.00. Initially approved amount was $4,879,993.00.

**Re: Greene County Building Fund Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the budget as presented. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $1,052,500.00. Initially approved amount was $1,052,500.00.

**Re: Commissioners- Cumulative Capital Development Budget**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to approve the budget as presented. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $800,000.00. Initially approved amount was $800,000.00.

**Re: Courthouse Maintenance Budget**

Brent Murray moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $581,444.00. Initially approved amount was $575,249.00.

**Re: Information Technology Department Budget**

Randall Brown moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $699,722.00. Initially approved amount was $695,502.00.

**Re: Commissioners LIT Correctional Facility Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the budget as presented. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $1,224,000.00. Initially approved amount was $1,224,000.00

**Re: Commissioners- LEPC Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the budget as presented. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $38,300.00. Initially approved amount was $38,300.00.

**Re: Commissioners- Emergency Management Budget**

Bryan Woodall moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises and with the exception of a new employee. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $129,320.00. The initially approved amount was $93,893.00.

**Re: Commissioners- LIT EDIT Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the budget as presented. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $930,000.00. Initially approved amount was $930,000.00.

**Re: Greene County Attorney Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises. The motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $263,398.00. Initially approved amount was $249,807.00.

**Re: EMS Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises, community paramedic, and remove longevity. Motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $2,143,309.00. Initially approved amount was $2,026,198.00.

**Re: LIT EMS Budget**

Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises and adjust FICA and retirement. Motion passed 7-0. The published amount was $1,705,309.00. Initially approved amount was $1,462,973.00.

**Re: Health Department Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises and adjust FICA. A roll call was taken. Bryan Woodall voted aye. Jerry Frye voted aye. Randall Brown voted nay. Ron Lehman voted aye. Brent Murray voted nay. Karen Abrams voted aye. Kelly Zimmerly voted nay. Motion passed 4-3. The published amount was $342,980.00. Initially approved amount was $322,608.00.

**Re: Health Department- Health First Indiana Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises and adjust FICA. A roll call was taken. Bryan Woodall voted aye. Jerry Frye voted aye. Randall Brown voted nay. Ron Lehman voted aye. Brent Murray voted nay. Karen Abrams voted aye. Kelly Zimmerly voted nay. Motion passed 4-3. The published amount was $179,654.00. Initially approved amount was $6,154.00.

**Re: Health Department- Local Health Maintenance Fund**

Karen Abrams moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises and adjust FICA. A roll call was taken. Bryan Woodall voted aye. Jerry Frye voted aye. Randall Brown voted nay. Ron Lehman voted aye. Brent Murray voted aye. Karen Abrams voted aye. Kelly Zimmerly voted nay. Motion passed 5-2. The published amount was $88,881.00. Initially approved amount was $36,549.00.

**Re: Health Department- PHEP Grant Budget**

Karen Abrams moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the budget as presented minus raises and adjust FICA. A roll call vote was taken. Bryan Woodall voted aye. Jerry Frye voted aye. Randall Brown voted nay. Ron Lehman voted aye. Brent Murray voted aye. Karen Abrams voted aye. Kelly Zimmerly voted nay. Motion passed 5-2. The published amount was $20,000.00. Initially approved amount was $7,600.00.

**Re: Auditor**

Karen Abrams moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises and move the Council Clerk stipend to the Council’s budget. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Surveyor**

Brent Murray moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Coroner**

Karen Abrams moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Clerk**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises and to raise the chief deputy to $45,437.25. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Assessor**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Reassessment**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Recorder**

Ron Lehman moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Recorder Perpetuation**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Treasurer**

Ron Lehman moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Council**

Karen Abrams moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises and to move the Council Clerk Stipend to the Council’s budget. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Superior Court**

Ron Lehman moved, Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Drug & Alcohol- General Fund**

Brent Murray moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Opioid Restricted**

Karen Abrams moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Weights and Measures**

Karen Abrams moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: County Extension**

Ron Lehman moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises and to remove $3,100.00 from the utility line. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: CASA**

Ron Lehman moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Circuit Court**

Ron Lehman moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Magistrate Court**

Brent Murray moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

**Re: Soil & Water**

Ron Lehman moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to amend the motion from Tuesday to 0% raises. Motion passed 7-0.

As all scheduled budgets were presented this day, Brent Murray moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to recess until 8:30 a.m. Thursday, August 28, 2025.

Jerry R. Frye Ronald Lehman

Kelly Zimmerly Brent Murray

Karen Abrams Bryan Woodall

Randall Brown

Attest:

Heather Perry, Auditor