

Be It Remembered that the Greene County Council met in Regular Session on Monday, April 29, 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, Ron Lehman, Jerry Frye, Bryan Woodall, and Randall Brown. Also present was County Attorney Marvin Abshire.

Re: Minutes

Karen Abrams moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 25, 2024, as presented with reading waived. Randall Brown abstained. Motion passed 6-0-1.

Re: Prosecutor- Jarrod Holtsclaw- Axon System

Prosecutor Jarrod Holtsclaw notified the council of a planned budget increase for the 2025 budget, to subscribe to a new Axon E-Discovery System that would take the place of the current E-Discovery System. Holtsclaw went on to say that the current system being used is difficult to use, is running out of storage, and may be discontinued. The new system is easy to use, is used by many law enforcement agencies, and has cloud-based storage. The new system would have a 5-year contract starting at \$8,050.00 with a 4% increase each year thereafter. The council thanked Jarrod for coming to them beforehand.

Re: Judge Martin

Judge Dena Martin requested a new job description and a \$15,000.00 raise for Drug and Alcohol Director Nicole Noel. Judge Martin explained that when Nicole was hired, her job description was solely Drug and Alcohol Director. Since coming to work for Greene County in 2008 as Director of A&D, Nicole has assumed many other roles. Nicole now supervises Drug and Alcohol, pre-trial services that the Supreme Court has added, Problem-Solving Court in 2016, Opioid Settlement money and the programs associated with the money and serves as the co-chair to the Justice Reinvestment Committee. Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the \$15,000.00 raise and requested County Attorney Marvin Abshire update the job description and amend the Salary Ordinance. Motion passed 7-0.

Re: Drug & Alcohol Director- Nicole Noel

Nicole Noel updated the council regarding the Opioid Settlement 2024 funds distribution and asked that the money to be re-appropriated for the 2024 budget year to the Therapeutic Justice program. Nicole requested that a line item be included in the budget for prevention measures. Some programs that the Opioid money is used for include:

- Strengthening Families
- Q360 Program- re-entry program with the jail
- Recovery Specialist
- Education Services

Jerry Frye moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to approve the new line item of prevention measures. Motion passed 7-0.

Jerry Frye moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the advertisement of both restricted and unrestricted funds to make funds available for use for the 2024 Therapeutic Justice budget. Motion passed 7-0.

Re: Veteran's Affairs- Richard Nichols- Additional Appropriation

- Veteran Donation Fund- 4101-000-03-0010- \$2500.00

Ron Lehman moved, and Jerry Frye seconded, to approve the additional appropriation of \$2500.00 from the Veteran Donation Fund for memorial flag purchase be advertised. Motion passed 7-0.

Re: Hamilton Center- Cindy Rotman

Cindy Rotman from Hamilton Center presented to the Council the Certified Behavioral Health Clinic initiative, which will increase the services provided by Hamilton Center and expand the access to

holistic care. Cindy said that they would find out in July if Indiana is approved for the federal grant that would fund the program starting January 1, 2025. Some key points that Cindy touched on were:

- Hamilton Center will be able to respond through Mobile Crisis to behavioral health and addiction emergencies in the community.
- Enhancing 24/7/365 crisis stabilization services throughout West Central Indiana
- Integrating with the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (988)
- Coordinating primary healthcare needs

Adding these services will also serve to:

- Reduce non-emergent Emergency Department visits
- Divert individuals from incarceration to treatment
- Increase access to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Invest in healthcare workforce in our communities

Cindy ended her presentation by saying that the Hamilton Center is committed to serving the community and would like to stay in communication with the county about the progress being made. The Council thanked Cindy for coming and updating them on the progress.

Re: CASA Director- Amber Spicer- CASA Update

CASA Director Amber Spicer updated the Council on the CASA Department. Amber stated that with numbers being lower this year they were not able to secure the Capacity Grant that they had received in previous years. CASA also had to discharge some volunteers that did not meet state regulations. Key points and improvements include:

- Hiring a new Juvenile Court Advocate, Blake Burch
- They currently have 49 children (judicated CHINS cases)
- They currently have 16 volunteers.
- They have a part-time employee in the office, Vicki Halt
- They have placements from here, to Newburgh, and all the way to South Bend

The Council thanked Amber for providing the update.

Re: Health Department Administrator- Shari Lewis

Health Department Administrator Shari Lewis provided the Council with an update regarding Health First Indiana and its impact on the local health department. Shari presented her proposed 2025 budget reflecting anticipated state distributions as well as use of the local levy. Shari identified core public health services that the Health Department is providing, somewhat providing, and not providing but hoping to start providing. Core public health services must be provided in order to be in compliance with the Health First Indiana Grant.

Services that the Health Department is already providing include:

- Vital Records
- Childhood and Adult Immunizations
- Tuberculosis Control and Case Management
- Childhood Fatality Review
- Lead Screenings and Case Management
- Emergency Preparedness
- Food Protection
- Septic Inspection and Permits
- Decontamination Orders

Services that they are somewhat providing:

- Communicable Disease Prevention and Control
- Access and Linkage to Clinical Care
- Trauma and Injury Prevention and Education
- Maternal and Child Health Services

Services that are currently not being provided include:

- Testing and Counseling for HIV, Hepatitis C, and other STIs
- Suicide and Overdose Fatality Review
- Tobacco Prevention and Cessation
- Pest/Vector Control
- Public/Semi-Public Pool Inspections
- Tattoo and Piercing Inspections
- Eyelash Extension Inspections

The council thanked Shari for coming and providing the update.

Re: Final Approval on Additional Appropriations

- Surveyor- Corner Perpetuation- 1202-000-03-0010- \$55,000.00- Ron Lehman moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to approve the additional appropriation as advertised. Motion passed 7-0.
- Sheriff- ECS- 1222-000-02-0050- \$39,731.90- Bryan Woodall moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the additional appropriation as advertised. Motion passed 7-0.
- Sheriff Commissary Flooring- \$16,188.82- Ron Lehman moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the additional appropriation as advertised. Motion passed 7-0.
- Sheriff- County Correction- Vehicles- 1122-000-04-0020- \$168,064.15- Bryan Woodall moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the additional appropriation as advertised. Motion passed 7-0.

Re: Sheriff- Additional Appropriation To Advertise

- Med Co-Pays (January, February, & March)- 1000-380-03-0063- \$1146.64- Ron Lehman moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve for the advertisement of the additional appropriation. Motion passed 7-0.
- Disability Reimbursement- 1000-380-03-0063- \$14.00- Ron Lehman moved, and Brent Murray seconded, to approve the advertisement of the additional appropriation. Motion passed 7-0.

Re: Sheriff- Transfer

9122- Local Coordinating Council- \$1,000.00 to Sheriff- Training- 1000-005-01-0025- Bryan Woodall moved, and Randall Brown seconded, to approve the transfer. Motion passed 7-0.

Re: Sheriff- Jail Feasible Study

Brent Murray moved, and Karen Abrams seconded, to complete the regional jail interest survey to indicate that the council is not interested in participating in a regional jail. The survey pertains to possible construction of a new jail in Monroe County. Greene County Sheriff George Dallaire expressed that he has no interest in the regional jail. Motion passed 7-0.

Re: Sheriff- CHIRP Grant

Sheriff Dallaire presented a Traffic Safety Grant from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. This grant will fund deputies' overtime working on programs enforcement including Traffic violations, OVWI's, seatbelt use, and any traffic problems. This is the very early stages of the grant process and the Sheriff's department will not know if they receive the grant for several months. The Council thanked the Sheriff for bringing it to their attention.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ron Lehman moved, and Bryan Woodall seconded, to adjourn. Motion passed 7-0.

Jerry R. Frye

Ronald Lehman

Kelly Zimmerly

Brent Murray

Karen Abrams

Bryan Woodall

Randall Brown

Attest:

Heather Perry, Auditor