STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF GREENE

GREENE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2012
6:00 P.M.

The Greene County Legislative Body met in regular session on, Tuesday, January 17, 2011 at the Greene County Courthouse for the regular monthly meeting of the County Commission. Mayor Broyles called the meeting to order to transact business that is to lawfully come before this Honorable Body. Commissioner Hilton Seay led the Pledge to the Flag, followed by Prayer led by Commissioner Rollins. The Commissioners signed in on their key pads and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White. There were 20 Commissioners present. Commissioner Hopson was absent.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Grogan and seconded by Commissioner Greenway to approve prior minutes. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the prior minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Rex Oster of Kinser Park gave an update to the Commissioners on the Park.

Mr. Tom Ferguson updated the Commissioners on Economic Development.

Mayor Broyles read three proclamations.

Commissioner Sauceman called on Larry Parman of 105 Rolling Hills Rd., Greeneville, who spoke about Dave Wright, misinformation about last months meeting and about Roger Jones and West Greene High School overspending.

REPORTS

There were reports from the Solid Waste Dept. and Committee minutes in the package.

ELECTION OF NOTARIES

Mayor Broyles asked the Clerk to read a list of names requesting to be notaries to the Commission. Clerk, David Thompson, read the list. A motion was made by Commissioner Sams and seconded by Commissioner Grogan to approve the list. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the notaries.

ELECTION OF NOTARIES
JANUARY 17, 2011

PAMELA BOWERS	RENEWAL
JOHN M. CARTER	RENEWAL
TOMMYE CARTER	RENEWAL
ANN CRAIG	NEW
CATHERINE HEINZE	RENEWAL
BOBBY HOLT	NEW
BARBARA LOVE	NEW
LISA MCFARLANE	RENEWAL
LINDA PARHAM	RENEWAL
CHRISTOPHER RODRIGUEZ	NEW

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE SOLID WASTE FUND FOR EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY PARTS

WHEREAS, the Greene County Solid Waste Department must maintain all of its equipment and machinery in good working order in order to perform the services required by the citizens of Greene County; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Solid Waste Department has experienced excessive breakdown in equipment during the current year which has nearly exhausted their approved budget for this line item; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Solid Waste Department currently has equipment in need of repair and does not have available funds to cover these expenditures, and

THEREFORE, let the Solid Waste Fund budget be amended to the following:

INCREASE BUDGETED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE

39000	Assigned Fund Balance	$ 10,000.00
	Total adjustment to budgeted revenues	$ 10,000.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS

55710	Sanitation Management	
418	Equipment and Machinery Parts	$ 10,000.00
	Total Appropriations	$ 10,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE; be it resolved by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in regular session this 17th day of January, 2012, a quorum being present and a majority voting in the affirmative, that the Solid Waste Fund budget be amended as above.

Alan D Broyles
County Mayor

Budget and Finance Committee
Sponsor

Dawn Thompson
County Clerk

Roger C Walker
County Attorney

A.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE SOLID WASTE FUND FOR EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY PARTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Quillen and seconded by Commissioner Bowers to approve a resolution authorizing expenditure of funds from the Solid Waste Fund for equipment and machinery parts.

Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the motion to approve the resolution on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the resolution.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR OFFICE EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, Good internal controls require that the Greene County Register of Deeds office provide each employee their own cash drawer which allows daily balancing of each employees cash drawer. The Register of Deeds currently has 3 small cash drawers that have been loaned to that office from another office and need to be returned to that office and new cash drawers purchased, and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Register of Deeds office does not have available funds to cover these expenditures, and

THEREFORE, let the General Fund budget be amended to the following:

INCREASE BUDGETED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE

39000	Unassigned Fund Balance	$ 567.00
	Total adjustment to budgeted revenues	$ 567.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS

51600	Register of Deeds	
719	Office Equipment	$ 567.00
	Total Appropriations	$ 567.00

NOW, THEREFORE; be it resolved by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in regular session this 17th day of January, 2012, a quorum being present and a majority voting in the affirmative, that the General Fund budget be amended as above.

Alan D Broyles
County Mayor

Budget and Finance Committee
Sponsor

Lani Thompson
County Clerk

Roger C Vaulsey
County Attorney

B.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR OFFICE EQUIPMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Kiker and seconded by Commissioner Holt to approve a resolution authorizing expenditure of funds from the General Fund Balance for Register of Deeds for office equipment. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the motion on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the resolution.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCREASE OF REVENUES FOR THE HIGHWAY FUND

WHEREAS, the Greene County Highway budget each year must equal the prior 5 year average revenues received from local revenues in order to assure the maximum receipt of gas tax revenues from the State, and

WHEREAS, during the preparation of the certification of Greene County Highway for the fiscal year 2011-2012 it was noted that the 5 year average exceeded the amount budgeted for the FYE 2011-2012, and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Budgets and Accounts Director has reviewed the revenues budgeted for the Highway Fund and has determined that revenues for certain line items have been underestimated during the budget process and

THEREFORE, let the Highway Fund budget be amended to the following:

DECREASE BUDGETED FUND BALANCE

39000	Assigned Fund Balance	$ 33,730
	Total adjustment to budgeted revenues	$ 33,730

INCREASE BUDGETED REVENUES

40110	Current Property Tax	$ 10,500
40130	Circuit Clerk/Clerk And Master-Prior Yrs	6,900
40140	Interest And Penalty	3,500
40240	Wheel Tax	7,430
40280	Mineral Severance Tax	5,400
Total Increase to Highway Fund budgeted revenues		$ 33,730

NOW, THEREFORE; be it resolved by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in regular session this 17th day of January, 2012, a quorum being present and a majority voting in the affirmative, that the Highway Fund budget be amended as above.

Alan D Broyles

County Mayor

Budget and Finance Committee

Sponsor

Dani Thompson

County Clerk

Roger A Wooley

County Attorney

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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCREASE OF REVENUES FOR THE HIGHWAY FUND

A motion was made by Commissioner Greenway and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve a resolution authorizing increase of revenues for the Highway Fund. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the motion on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the resolution.

RESOLUTION TO ASK THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO MAKE THE SALE OF SYNTHETIC DRUGS A FELONY

WHEREAS, synthetic marijuana and designer stimulants have created a public health problem in some counties across the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, currently within the State of Tennessee some of these synthetic products are sold legally, while the sale of other synthetic drugs are covered by misdemeanor criminal statutes making the sale of those drugs a misdemeanor punishable only by a fine of Fifty Dollars ($50.00); and

WHEREAS, the problems and issues with the sale of these synthetic drugs are an increasing concern for the law abiding citizens of Greene County and as such the Greene County Commission is requesting that the General Assembly make the sale of synthetic drugs a felony.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in regular session on the 17th day of January, 2012, a quorum being present, unanimously approve this Resolution requesting that the legislative delegation from Greene County sponsor and support legislation making the manufacture, distribution and sale of synthetic drugs a felony in the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk forward a copy of this Resolution to the elected members of the General Assembly representing Greene County requesting their support for this legislation.

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A RESOLUTION TO ASK THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO MAKE THE SALE OF SYNTHETIC DRUGS A FELONY

A motion was made by Commissioner Holt and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve a resolution to ask the General Assembly to make the sale of synthetic drugs a felony. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the motion on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 – absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the resolution.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR THE ANNUAL FEE TO DISPLAY LOGO SIGNS SIGNIFYING "GREENEVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT" LOCATED ON INTERSTATE 81 AT EXIT 23 AND EXIT 36 FROM PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX

WHEREAS, Greene County presently has in place a privilege tax upon the privilege of occupancy at any motel/hotel of each transient which is commonly referred to as a motel/hotel tax; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds from this privilege tax is allocated specifically by the County Commission for specified needs or projects that benefit the County or its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Partnership through its tourism division has requested that Greene County and the Town of Greeneville each pay the annual fee of Five Hundred Twenty – Seven Dollars ($527.00) to display the two logo panels on signs located on Interstate 81 at Exit 23 and Exit 36; and

WHEREAS, with the traffic counts at both locations where these logo signs are located, these signs are great asset to the community to have this exposure on Interstate 81 signifying "Greeneville Historic District" and directing tourists and others to the downtown area; and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in regular session on the 17th day of January, 2012, a quorum being present, a majority voting in the affirmative that the budget and finance director is authorized to disburse and pay Five Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars ($527.00) from revenues collected from the privilege tax on motel/hotel occupancy designated as fund 189, account number 91150-316 to Law signs LLC for the logo panel directing people to the "Greeneville Historic District", said expenditure subject to and only

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authorized if an identical appropriation is made by the Board of Mayor and Alderman for the Town of Greeneville to pay the annual fee for said signage.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Holt and seconded by Commissioner Quillen to approve a resolution authorizing the expenditure of funds for the annual fee to display logo signs signifying "Greeneville Historic District" located on Interstate 81 at Exit 23 and Exit 36 from proceeds derived from the Hotel/Motel Tax. Commissioner Bird made a motion to amend the resolution to take this money from 101 General Fund for Tourism instead of Fund 189 and to put in the budget for this coming year. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the amendment to the motion on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. Commissioner Hensley abstained. The vote was 19 – aye; 1 – abstained; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to amend the resolution.

Mayor Broyles then called for the Commissioners to vote on the resolution as amended on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. Commissioner Hensley abstained. The vote was 19 – aye; 1 – abstained; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the resolution as amended.

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY RECONSIDER THE DECISION TO DISCONTINUE SERVICES THAT ALLOWED CITIZENS AND RESIDENTS TO RENEW THEIR DRIVERS LICENSE, SECURE GUN PERMITS, AND TRANSACT OTHER BUSINESS AT THE DRIVERS LICENSE CENTER LOCATED ON HAL HENARD ROAD

WHEREAS, some nine years ago Greene County and the State of Tennessee Department of Safety entered into a contract which provided for Greene County to build a drivers license center on property owned by Greene County on Hal Henard Road, which facility after construction was leased to the State of Tennessee to operate a drivers license center as well as offices for highway patrol officers; and

WHEREAS, for the past years the drivers license center has offered services to the citizens and residents of Greene County, that would allow those citizens and residents to secure learners permits, drivers licenses, renew drivers licenses, gun permits, and drivers records; and

WHEREAS, recently it was announced that the Department of Safety would be reducing operations at the drivers license center on the Hal Henard Road with only reinstatement of drivers licenses being handled at that facility; and

WHEREAS, the practical effect would be that any individuals seeking learners permits, drivers license or renewals of drivers license, gun permits, and driving records would be required to travel to one of the adjoining counties that continues to offer those services; and

WHEREAS, after carefully considering this issue and the inconvenience that reduced services at the drivers license center will offer it would be in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Greene County for the County Commission to formally request that the Governor and or the Department of Safety reconsider the decision to reduce those services offered at the local drivers license center and to permit the drivers license center to perform the services for the citizens of Greeneville and Greene County that have been occurring for the past two decades.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in regular session on the 17th day of January, 2012, a quorum being present, a majority voting in the affirmative that this Resolution requesting that Governor and the Department of Safety along with the members of the General Assembly representing Greene County reconsider the decision to reduce services offered by the local drivers license office located on Hal Henard Road.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sams and seconded by Commissioner Greenway to approve a resolution to request that the Department of Safety reconsider the decision to discontinue services that allowed citizens and residents to renew their drivers license, secure gun permits, and transact other business at the Drivers License Center located on Hal Henard Road. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the motion on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the resolution.

OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Crum and seconded by Commissioner Grogan to accept the resignation of Mr. David Foshee as Constable in the 5th Constable District in Greene County. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the motion on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sauceman and seconded by Commissioner Sams to approve the affidavit and procedures for filling the vacancy in the 5th Constable District. Mayor Broyles called for the Commissioners to vote on the motion on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Bird, Bowers, Carter, Crum, Greenway, Grogan, Hensley, Holt, Kiker, King, Malone, McAmis, Moss, Quillen, Rollins, Sams, Sauceman, Seay, Waddle and White voted yes. The vote was 20 – aye; 1 - absent. The Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

The Greene County Road List was spread on the minutes. A copy of the list is on file in the County Attorney's Office and in the Highway Department Office.

The Mayor made several announcements and the meeting adjourned.