AMENDED AGENDA GREENE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY

Monday, December 16, 2019 6:00 P.M.

The Greene County Commission will meet at the Greene County Courthouse on Monday, December 16, 2019 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Criminal Courtroom (Top Floor) in the Courthouse.

Call to Order

- *Invocation Commissioner Josh Kesterson *Pledge to Flag - Commissioner Teddy Lawing
- *Roll Call

Public Hearing

- Mike Davis, Partnership Specialist with U.S. Census Bureau
- Joel Hausser

Approval of Prior Minutes

Reports

- Financial Report from Board of Education
- Reports from Solid Waste Dept.
- Committee minutes

Election of Notaries

Old Business

Employee of the Month

Resolutions

- A. A resolution to add Sugar Cane Lane to the official Greene County road list (second reading)
- B. A resolution to amend the General Fund 2019-2020 Fiscal Year budget \$2,487 for carryover funds received in prior fiscal years as contributions to the Greene County Health Department
- C. A resolution authorizing the Greene County Sheriff's Department to sale surplus ammunition to the Town of Greeneville
- D. A resolution authorizing the County Mayor in cooperation with the Town of Greeneville officials to enter into an agreement with GFL Lakeway Sanitation and Recycling MSW LLC DBA GFL Environmental for the operation of the transfer station and transportation & disposal of solid waste
- E. A resolution amending the Greene County zoning resolution regarding manufactured/mobile homes in Greene County, Tennessee
- F. A resolution encouraging the support of legislation which directs TennCare to reimburse ground ambulance providers at a rate not less than the current Medicare fee schedule and adding funding to the 2020/2021 State budget

Other Business

Appointment of Sangela Blue to the Greeneville/Greene County Public Library Board of Directors

Adjournment

Closing Prayer - Commissioner Tim White

- ** ALL OFFICES IN COURTHOUSE & ANNEX WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24 DECEMBER 26 FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY **
- **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 9^{TH} AT 12:00 NOON **
- **THE NEXT COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2019 DUE TO MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY**

A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION WHICH DIRECTS TENNCARE TO REIMBURSE GROUND AMBULANCE PROVIDERS AT A RATE NOT LESS THAN THE CURRENT MEDICARE FEE SCHEDULE AND ADDING FUNDING TO THE 2020-2021 STATE BUDGET

WHEREAS, with the growth of our great state and the need for more and more services of all kinds, especially emergency medical services and the continuing rising costs of medical care, our Emergency Medical Service is constantly searching for more resources; and

WHEREAS, more rural hospitals are being closed and community clinics are being downsized, requiring great needs for ambulance services as the first line of care providers and transportation from remote areas; and

WHEREAS, Medicaid (TennCare) reimbursement has not increased since the inception of the TN Medicaid managed care system; and

WHEREAS, Medicare rates do not reflect the actual cost to operate ambulance services and TennCare rates are, in most cases, half of what Medicare provides, forcing limitations of services and placing a greater burden on our county, our local Emergency Medical Service, and our citizens; and

WHEREAS, ambulance services throughout the State, in order to meet growing emergency needs and reduce the burden on the local governments and taxpayers need assistance in improving funding for these lifesaving services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in regular session on this the 16th day of December, 2019, that the Greene County Legislative Body does hereby seek the support of legislation which directs TennCare to reimburse ground ambulance providers at a rate not less than the current Medicare fee schedule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Greene County Legislative Body does hereby request the support and backing of our State Representatives and Senator for legislation which directs/requires TennCare to reimburse ground ambulance providers at a rate not less than the current Medicare fee schedule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that our Legislative Body also requests that the funding for this much needed change be provided within the Governor's FY20/21 budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that though this increased funding does not cover the full cost of services, it will begin an effort to aid our communities as demand continues to increase for EMS system resources across the state including the costs of maintaining staff, equipment and training for pre-hospital emergency medical services, and filling the gap of the reduction in hospitals throughout Tennessee that is rendering EMS systems as the first line of care for many counties.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Court Clerk is directed and shall send copies

of this resolution to the members of the General Assembly representing Greene County.

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