

8-17-20

Greene County Legislative Body

Commissioners:

Please find enclosed three new Resolutions that we are asking the County Commission to suspend the rules and consider tonight. I will describe the reasons why we need to suspend the rules as it relates to each Resolution.

(G) The Resolution for the expansion and improvement of the Greene County Range and Sports Complex:

Jerry Strom, who retired from the TWRA and who has rendered valuable assistance to the County in the development of the range complex will be at the County Commission meeting tonight to speak on this Resolution. As each of you know, the BOE has conveyed to the County the BOE's 2/3 interest in 4.139 acres behind the present range complex for the express purpose to construct a sport clay and archery course for the benefit of the general public. Jerry Strom has been working on an application for grant funding for this project for some time. We did not anticipate bringing this matter to the Commission this month. However, we learned at the Range Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 that the Tenn. Wildlife Commission would be meeting in Kingsport later this month and hopefully would be able to at least consider our grant application at that meeting.

We have been told that there is sufficient funding in place for our grant application and that the TWRA Commission would probably be receptive to our grant application in that we were the only county in upper east Tennessee that opens its Range to the public. Obviously, we want to get in line as soon as possible and upon learning Tuesday of the TWRA meeting in Kingsport, the individuals who have worked with TWRA for grant funding thought it wise to have our application submitted which requires Commission approval. We did not know until last Tuesday of this pending meeting.

Mr. Strom believes that he can have the application ready to go but would need the Mayor's signature, which of course would require County Commission's approval. This grant application would be for \$700,000.00 with the County required to provide a 10% match. As with the last grant we can use the newly acquired land for part of the match and believe that in-kind work and the machinery the Sheriff is allowing the County to use to construct the sporting clay course will provide all of the matching in-kind funds necessary to meet the match. We do not anticipate any county taxpayer funds being required for this project. If we can get our grant application before the Tenn. Wildlife Commission before other grant applications, then our chances of having our grant application approved would be greater.

(H) The Resolution to approve CARES ACT funding and expenditures:

On July 24, 2020, the County was notified that the County is eligible for funding under the CARES ACT. As a prerequisite to receiving the funding, county officials had to attend a virtual seminar to learn what the County could use the funds for. The County then had to submit a list of projects or purchases that Greene County would actually use the funds for which in turn would require federal approval before we could go forward. On Wednesday, August 12, 2020 the County was granted approval for the expenditures of funds we are to receive under the CARES ACT. As the funds must be expended by December 30, 2020, we did not want to wait another month for Commission approval before we were able to get started on the projects and to make the purchases.

(I) The Resolution to purchase walking floor trailers for Solid Waste:

The Solid Waste Department has been operating the transfer station now for over 45 days. The Solid Waste Department has been utilizing the old trucks, trailers, and the wheeled front loader that were used before we contracted with GFL to operate the Transfer Station.

From all indications the County is saving significant funds by operating the transfer station, but we continue to have issues with the walking floor trailers to transport mixed solid waste from the transfer station to the landfill at Exit 12. We were hopeful that we could use the old walking floor trailers that are owned by the Town and County; however the trailers are in horrible shape and we continue to spend a significant amount of time and money trying to keep those trailers operational and the mixed solid wastes hauled. We have taken bids for new trailers and it is going to be at least 90 days before we can get the trailers in. To avoid further expenses and issues for the Solid Waste Department, we felt it necessary to try to get Commission approval to purchase these trailers, to get them on order so that we could get them delivered before winter.

Hopefully, we will be able to answer any questions that any Commissioner may have at tonight's meeting concerning the need to suspend the rules or questions regarding each resolution.



Kevin Morrison  
County Mayor



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$700,000) DOLLARS THROUGH THE TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES AGENCY FOR PHRASE II IMPROVEMENTS AND EXPANSION AT THE GREENE COUNTY RANGE AND SPORTS COMPLEX**

WHEREAS, Greene County and the Town of Greeneville jointly own and operate the Greene County Range and Sports Complex on Hal Henard Road with excellent facilities to educate adults and youth on the safe handling and use of firearms, conduct hunter education courses, provide a venue for citizens to target practice and improve shooting skills as well as continuing to provide a site for law enforcement training and firearms qualifying; and

WHEREAS, additional grant funding is now available through the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency that could be utilized to greatly improve and further develop the firing range, to make additional capital expenditures for sport skeet and trap ranges, archery ranges, and other venues for the general public to enjoy a wide range of shooting experiences; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding from the TWRA requires a local 10% local match which match may be fulfilled by utilizing the value of the additional real property acquired and in-kind labor, equipment, and services by the County and Firing Range employees; thus it is not anticipated that funds would need to be allocated from Greene County taxpayer funds to satisfy the 10% match; and

WHEREAS, it appears that it would be in the best interest of the citizens of Greene County for the County Mayor to apply for grant funding as described above to further expand and improve the Greene County Range and Sports Complex.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Greene County Legislative Body, meeting in regular session on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a quorum being present and a majority voting in the affirmative, that the County Mayor for Greene County, Tennessee is authorized and directed to apply for a SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$700,000) DOLLAR grant through the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency to further expand and improve the

**Greene County Attorney**  
Roger A. Woolsey  
204 N. Cutler St.  
Greeneville, TN 37745  
Phone: 423-798-1779  
Fax: 423-798-1781

G.

Greene County Range and Sports Complex as shown on the plat attached to this Resolution for the development of additional shooting and archery venues for the benefit and enjoyment of the citizens of Greene County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Mayor is authorized to execute such documents as is required to establish permanent restrictive covenants mandating that the additional 4.139 acre tract more or less as shown on the Plat attached as Exhibit "A" to this Resolution be included with the present shooting range to be forever used for the purposes as spelled out in this Resolution.

Kathy Crawford  
Sponsor

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

Roger A. Woolsey  
County Attorney

**Greene County Attorney**  
Roger A. Woolsey  
204 N. Cutler St.  
Greeneville, TN 37745  
Phone: 423-798-1779  
Fax: 423-798-1781





**A RESOLUTION OF THE GREENE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY TO AUTHORIZE THE GREENE COUNTY MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND EXPEND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND PROGRAM ALLOCATION FOR GREENE COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, through the Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fund), The CARES Act provides for payments to State, Local, and Tribal governments navigating the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak; and

**WHEREAS**, the CARES Act established the \$150 billion Coronavirus Relief Fund which requires that the payments from the Fund only be used to cover expenses that 1) are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19, 2) were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government, and 3) were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Greene County was notified on July 24, 2020 that local governments will have access to the Fund after attending a virtual Town Hall held by the State to describe the process to request funding and what categories the expenses must be within; and

**WHEREAS**, the expenses must be with the following categories 1) Payroll for public health and safety employees substantially dedicated to response or mitigation of COVID-19, 2) Budgeted personnel and services diverted to a substantially different use due to COVID-19, 3) Improvements to telework capabilities of public employees, 4) Medical expenses, 5) Public Health expenses, 6) Distant Learning, 7) Economic support expenses, 8) Expenses associated with the issuance of tax anticipation notes; and

**WHEREAS**, Greene County has been allocated \$1,036,305 to cover expenses that must be approved and spent by December 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Greene County has been approved for the purchase of two (2) ambulances equipped with the power load stretchers and heart monitors and the construction of a new EMS substation behind the new election office; and

**WHEREAS**, Greene County will also request approval for the wiring of the Courthouse and Annex to handle additional network traffic for those associates that can or will be required to work offsite; and

**WHEREAS**, Greene County hereby authorizes the County Mayor to submit the application to the State Department of Finance and Administration, requesting approval to proceed with this project, and,

**WHEREAS**, it is agreed that the Mayor will be granted the authority request expenditure approval from the State for any remaining funds provided the Commission subsequently approves; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the county legislative body of Greene County, meeting in regular session this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a quorum being present and a majority voting in the affirmative, that the Capital Projects Fund - #171 budget be amended as follows:

H.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GREENE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY TO AUTHORIZE THE GREENE COUNTY MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND EXPEND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND PROGRAM ALLOCATION FOR GREENE COUNTY INCREASE IN BUDGETED REVENUE**

47301	COVID-19 GRANT - CARES ACT	\$ 1,036,305
	<b>Total Increase in Budgeted Revenue</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,036,305</u></b>

**INCREASE IN BUDGETED EXPENDITURES**

76091	COVID-19 EXPENDITURES	
718	Motor Vehicles	\$ 292,312
790	Other Equipment	99,736
799	Other Capital Outlay	644,257
	<b>Total Increase in Budgeted Appropriations</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,036,305</u></b>

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Mayor

Dale Tucker  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsor

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

*Roger C Woolsey*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Attorney

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GREENE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY TO APPROPRIATE UP TO \$222,705 FROM FUND #171 – GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS TO REPLACE THREE WALKING FLOOR TRAILERS AT THE TRANSFER STATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Greene County Solid Waste Department recently began operating the Greeneville – Greene County Transfer Station (Transfer Station) on July 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that due to the deterioration of the walking floor trailers (trailers) at the Transfer Station and the importance to operate efficiently, the replacement of the trailers has become necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the joint venture agreement, it is the responsibility of Greene County to repair, replace, and maintain the equipment used at the Transfer Station; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Greene County Legislative Body meeting in a regular session on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 a quorum being present and a majority voting in the affirmative, that an expenditure of up to two hundred twenty-two thousand seven hundred five dollars (\$222,705) be authorized from the Capital Projects Fund - #171 to make the necessary purchase:

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Brad Peters and John Waddle  
Sponsor

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Roger C Woolley  
County Attorney

I.