

STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF GREENE

GREENE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY
OCTOBER 16, 2023
6:00 P.M.

The Greene County Legislative Body was in regular session on October 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chuckey Doak High School Auditorium due to the Main Street closures around the Courthouse.

Mayor Morrison called the meeting to order to transact business that has lawfully come before the Honorable Body. Commissioner Crawford gave the invocation. Commissioner Carpenter led the Pledge to the Flag.

Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White were present. There were 21 Commissioners present.

PROCLAMATIONS

FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH – NOVEMBER 2023

Mayor Morrison announced that the month of November 2023 as Family Court Awareness Month and called upon all citizens to support their local communities' efforts to prevent the harm of children in the hands of family members and to honor and value the health, safety, and lives of children. Mayor Morrison presented the Proclamation to Cindy Wilhoit for Circuit Clerk Whitney Collins.

ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH – NOVEMBER 2023

Mayor Morrison announced that the month of November 2023 to be Adoption Awareness Month and called upon the citizens to acknowledge organizations like Youth Villages and foster parents, extended family members, volunteers, mentors, policymakers, Child welfare professional, and other community members who help children and youth find permanent homes, connections, and support structures.

DIABETES AWARE MONTH – NOVEMBER 2023

Mayor Morrison announced that the month of November 2023 to be Diabetes Aware Month and called upon all Greene County residents, school systems, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, health care providers, and other interested groups to join in activities that raises diabetes awareness and help prevent, treat, and manage the disease until a cure can be found. Mayor Morrison presented the Proclamation to Jamie Hensley, Director of the Health Department.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Morrison announced that there no speakers during the Public Hearing section.

Commissioner Carpenter called on Vel LaRoche to speak in regards to the Town of Greeneville

Roby Adult Center. Vel LaRoche announced that there would be a Roby Adult Center would be having Veteran's Appreciation on November 9th at 1:30 p.m and will be playing bingo.

She also announced that contributions for gift cards were needed for the Roby Adult Center's Christmas Party on December 14th at the First Baptist Church.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Crawford and seconded by Commissioner Kiker to approve the prior minutes.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. There were 21 – aye; 0 nay; and 0 –absent. Mayor Morrison announced the prior minutes were approved.

REPORTS
VETERANS' REPORT
FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
REPORTS FROM SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT
COMMITTEE MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Murray and seconded by Commissioner Carpenter to approve the Veteran's Report, Financial Report from the Board of Education, Reports from Solid Waste Department, Committee Minutes.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to approve the Veteran's Report, Financial Report from Board of Education, Reports from Solid Waste Department and Committee Minutes passed.

ELECTION OF NOTARIES

Mayor Morrison read the names requesting to be notaries to be approved by the Commission. A motion was made by Commissioner Quillen and seconded by Commissioner Clemmer to approve the notary list.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 -- nay; and 0 – absent. The Commissioner voted in favor of the motion to approve the notaries.

**RESOLUTION A: A RESOLUTION TO REMOVE CROW FLY LANE
THE OFFICIAL GREENE COUNTY ROAD LIST. (FIRST READING)**

Mayor Morrison announced that Resolution A will be pulled until the November meeting for additional paperwork and information. The Resolution to remove Crow Fly Lane the Official Greene County Road List. (First Reading).

**RESOLUTION B: A RESOLUTION OF THE GREENE COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY APPROPRIATING A TOTAL OF \$2,000 TO
THE SHERIFF'S OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY RESOURCE OFFICERS
FOR FUNDS RECEIVED FROM A CONTRIBUTION FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024**

A motion was made by Commissioner Parton and seconded by Commissioner Smithson to approve a Resolution of the Greene County Legislative Body appropriating a total of \$2,000 to the Sheriff's other Public Safety Resource Officers for funds received from a contribution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to approve the Resolution passed.

RESOLUTION C: A RESOLUTION OF THE GREENE COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE BODY TO BUDGET \$14,364 IN GRANT REVENUE
AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL
JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 2024

A motion was made by Commissioner Quillen and seconded by
Commissioner Shelton to approve a Resolution of the Greene County Legislative
Body to budget \$14,364 in Grant Revenue and Appropriations for the Edward
Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30,
2024.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The
following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers
Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing,
Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted
yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to approve
Resolution passed.

**RESOLUTION D: A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE COUNTY
OWNED PROPERTY SURPLUS, OBSOLETE, OR UNUSABLE PURSUANT
TO T.C.A 5-14-108. – EXHIBIT A**

A motion was made by Commissioner Carpenter and seconded by Commissioner Clemmer to approve a Resolution to declare county owned property surplus, obsolete, or unusable pursuant to T.C.A 5-14-108 – Exhibit A .

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to approve the Resolution passed.

**RESOLUTION E: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE
OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND UNASSIGNED FUND
BALANCE FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO VEHICLES AND
CORRESPONDING EQUIPMENT FOR THE ANIMAL CONTROL
DEPARTMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$127,250 FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024**

A motion was made by Commissioner Quillen and seconded by Commissioner Murray to approve a Resolution authorizing expenditure of funds from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for the purchase of two vehicles and corresponding equipment for the animal control department not to exceed \$127,250 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote on their keypads. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to approve the Resolution passed.

RESOLUTION F: A RESOLUTION GRANTING TO THE GREENE COUNTY/GREENEVILLE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES THE EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO OPERATE EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICE IN GREENE COUNTY

A motion was made by Commissioner Carpenter and seconded by Commissioner Quillen to approve a Resolution granting to the Greene County/Greeneville Emergency Medical Services the exclusive franchise to operate emergency and non-emergency ambulance in Greene County.

Greene County Attorney Roger Woolsey told the Commission that the arrangement has been in place since 1988, and that it prevents private ambulance services from picking and choosing to take non-emergency calls that bring in large amounts of funding. That funding is then lost by EMS. However, private companies still charge as much or more than EMS for the same calls to pocket profits, and it just makes it harder for EMS to fund their emergency call care.

Roger Woolsey said that the EMS board had previously approved the arrangement, but a change in state law means that county governing boards must approve the arrangement and that it cannot be delegated to a committee.

Roger Woolsey asked to amend the Resolution to make Greene-Greeneville Emergency Management exclusive outside of the city limits for the County and any municipalities that elect to consent to the Greene County Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lawing and seconded by Commissioner Waddle to amend the Resolution to make Greene County-Greeneville Emergency Medical Services be granted the exclusive franchise to solely operate and provide emergency and non-emergency medical and transport services within the geographic boundaries of their respective municipalities thereby ensuring that the Greene County-Greeneville Emergency Medical Services is the only provider of emergency and non-emergency medical and transport services in Greene County. Commissioner Bowers called for question.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioner Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to amend the resolution passed.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioner Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion approve the Resolution as amended passed.

**RESOLUTION G: A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A RESTRICTED
ACCOUNT FOR FUNDS RECEIVED FROM LIENS PLACED ON
PROPERTIES PURSUANT TO THE ADOPTION OF THE OVERGROWN
VEGETATION AND DEBRIS RESOLUTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Waddle and seconded by Commissioner Bowers to approve a Resolution to establish a restricted account for funds received from liens placed on properties pursuant to the adoption of the overgrown vegetation and debris resolution.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioner to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing , Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to approve the Resolution passed.

SUSPEND THE RULES
FOR
RESOLUTION H

A motion was made Commissioner Crawford and seconded by
Commissioner Bowers to suspend the rules.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a roll call vote.
The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible,
Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter,
Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle,
and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The
motion to suspend the rules for Resolution H passed.

RESOLUTON H: A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE
COUNTY MAYOR AND/OR THE GREENE COUNTY RECOVERY
COURT TO APPLY FOR AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR
OPIOID ABATMENT COUNCIL GRANT FUNDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Bowers and seconded by Commissioner Kiker to approve a Resolution to authorize the County Mayor and/or the Greene County Recovery Court to apply for and submit an application for Opioid Abatement Council Grant Funds.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; and 0 – absent. The motion to approve the Resolution passed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Peters and seconded by Commissioner Gunter to adjourn the October meeting.

Mayor Morrison called the Commissioners to vote by a voice vote. The following vote was taken: Commissioners Anderson, Arrowood, Bible, Bowers, Burkey, Carpenter, Clemmer, Cobble, Crawford, Dabbs, Gunter, Kiker, Lawing, Murray, Parton, Peters, Quillen, Shelton, Smithson, Waddle, and White voted yes. The vote was 21 – aye; 0 – nay; 0 – absent. The motion to approve the adjournment of the meeting passed.

Commissioner Chase Murray gave the Closing Prayer.

Mayor Morrison announced for submission of resolutions for the next Commission Meeting will be Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 12:00 p.m.

The next County Commission Meeting will be Monday, November 20, 2023.

Greene County Budget and Finance Committee
Meeting-Minutes October 4th, 2023
Greene County Annex Conference Greene County Annex Conference Room,
Greeneville, Tennessee

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Kevin Morrison- Budget & Finance Chairman
Tim Smithson – Commissioner
Paul Burkey-Commissioner

Robin Quillen – Commissioner
Brad Peters – Commissioner

ALSO:

Danny Lowery – Director of Finance
Gary Rector- Highway Dept.
David Beverly – Chief Deputy
Chris Cutshall-Animal Control

Erin Elmore – HR Director
Kevin Swatsell - Road Superintendent
T. J. Manis- EMS
Roger Woolsey- County Attorney

OTHERS:

Jennifer Castillo Gervasi- Greeneville Radio
Jeff Taylor – Greene County Partnership Director
David K. Weems-Tennis Association
Sam Losavio – General Contractor

Spencer Morrel- Greeneville Sun
Terry Hoese- Athletic Director
Joe Patel – Developer

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Kevin Morrison called the Budget and Finance committee meeting to order on Wednesday, October 4th, 2023 at 8:30 AM in the Greene County Annex Conference Room. A quorum was present.

Motion to approve the Budget & Finance minutes for the September 6th, 2023 meeting was made by Commissioner Burkey and was seconded by Commissioner Quillen. Motion was approved with no opposition.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

For their review, the Committee received budget requests that had already been previously approved by Mayor Morrison.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS NEEDING APPROVAL BY THE BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

A budget amendment correcting employee pay grade update during implementation of salary scale in the Greene County Waste Pickup account. The amount of \$21,648 from Medical Insurance (207) & \$102 from Other Supplies & Materials (499) transferring \$20,133 to Other Salaries & Wages (189), \$1,248 into social security (201), \$77.00 into Pension (204) and the remaining \$292.00 into Employer Medicare to cover the expense. Motion to approve the budget request was made by Commissioner Burkey and seconded by Commissioner Peters. All were in favor.

**Greene County Budget and Finance Committee
Meeting-Minutes October 4th, 2023
Greene County Annex Conference Greene County Annex Conference Room,
Greeneville, Tennessee**

RESOLUTIONS:

- A. A resolution of the Greene County Legislative Body to budget \$14,364 in Grant Revenue and appropriations for The Edward Bryne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. Motion was made to approve by Commissioner Smithson and was seconded by Commissioner Quillen. Motion carried.
- B. A resolution of the Greene County Legislative Body to appropriating a total of \$2,000 to the Sheriff's Other Public Safety Resource officers for funds received from a contribution for the FYE June 30, 2024. Motion was made to approve by Commissioner Quillen and was seconded by Commissioner Burkey. Motion carried.
- C. A resolution authorizing expenditure of funds form the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for the purchase of two vehicles and corresponding equipment for the Animal Control Department not to exceed \$127,250 for the FYE June 30, 2024. Motion was made to approve by Commissioner Quillen and was seconded by Commissioner Burkey. Motion carried.
- D. A resolution granting to the Greene County/Greeneville Emergency Medical Services the exclusive franchise to operate emergency and non-emergency ambulance service in Greene County. Motion was made to approve by Commissioner Peters and was seconded by Commissioner Smithson. Motion carried.
- E. A resolution to declare County owned property surplus, obsolete, or unusable pursuant to T.C.A. § 5-14-108, Greene County Sheriff's Office. Motion was made to approve by Commissioner Quillen and was seconded by Commissioner Peters. Motion carried.
- F. A resolution to establish a restricted account for funds received from liens placed on properties pursuant to the adoption of the overgrown vegetation and debris resolution Motion was made to approve by Commissioner Burkey and was seconded by Commissioner Smithson. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

David K. Weems, with Tennis Association discussed a proposal to repair and to resurface the Tennis Courts at Hal Henard Sports Complex's-Tennis Association. Bids on Courts 1-3, hard courts, is \$222,857 which includes fencing and resurfacing brand-new courts with acrylic. Bids are from Baseline Sports Construction out of Knoxville. This does not include LED upgrade which would be \$37,750 for three Courts. Bid for Converting Clay too Hard for two would be \$192,450. Remove Clay to allow for new slope total for all Courts would be \$638,164. Clay Courts on 7 & 8 and 1-4 are Hard Court. Courts 4,5 6, are striped for Pickleball. South Greene and North Greene have their own Courts.

Greene County Budget and Finance Committee
Meeting-Minutes October 4th, 2023
Greene County Annex Conference Greene County Annex Conference Room,
Greeneville, Tennessee

Joe Patel, developer and Sam Losavio, general contractor discussed the Exit 23 option to buy three properties consisting of building a Fairfield Inn and Town Square Marriot Duel Extended Stay Hotel and more franchises on the thirty-acre development area. Plans are to bring in about a thousand jobs to the County. He is needing support from Greene County for a TIF. Once there is approval, other phrases can begin.

Commissioner Peters told the Committee that the Audio for the Commission meetings needs improving. He would like to have an independent speaker system that would not interfere with the Courts. He would like to get some prices since he is familiar with speaker systems.

Attorney Woolsey talked about the expense of paving the school system. The school system is costing \$40.00 a ton just for the Asphalt. The school system would have to pay the Highway their actual cost. Would like to consider the Private Act. It would require that the County Commission pass the private Act and send it to Nashville to see what happens. If your local Legislative would carry it, it should pass. This is only to Greene County. It was agreed to try it.

The next regular scheduled Budget & Finance Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, November 1st, 8:30 AM Held in the Greene County Annex Conference Room, Greeneville, Tennessee.

AJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Quillen at 10:04 A.M. seconded by Commissioner Burkey.

Respectfully submitted,
Regina Nuckols
Budget & Finance Secretary

**Greene County Insurance Committee
Regular Meeting-Minutes Open Session
September 27, 2023
Greene County Annex Greeneville, Tennessee**

Members Present:

Kevin Morrison-Mayor	Danny Lowery-Budget Director	Erin Elmore- HR
William Dabbs-Comm.	David McLain-School Dir	Brad Peters-Comm.
Kathy Crawford-Comm.	Kevin Swatsell- Road Sup.	
Roger Woolsey- County Atty	Wesley Holt - Sheriff	

Also, Present:

Kim Peterson-TSC	Leslie Jones- Clinic	Tammy Cutshall- Atty Assist.
Chris Poynter- Trinity	Gary Rector -Highway Dept.	John McInturff-MM&B

Call to Order:

Mayor Morrison called meeting to order in the conference room at the Greene County Annex. Quorum was present.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Commissioner Dabbs and was seconded by Commissioner Crawford to approve the minutes from August 23, 2023. Motion was approved with no opposition.

Reports:

Danny Lowery gave the financial reports for August 2023. Auditors noticed Workers Comp. and Liability actually have negative expenditures to date. There is a lot of buffer in those accounts right now. County Attorney and Kim Peterson have gotten the reserves as low as Danny has seen them. Both under half a million and one reserve under \$200,000.00. Department heads are doing a good job. Seen a decline in covered lives for health insurance. If we're not covering as many lives then we're not contributing as much premiums to the fund. Since July of this year covered lives have jumped from 759 to 815. Hopefully keep claims under control. A motion to approve these reports was made by Sheriff Holt. Motion was seconded by Attorney Roger Woolsey. Financial reports were approved with no opposition.

Leslie Jones gave the clinic reports for August 2023. There was a total of 305 patients seen, 265 in August of 2022, so 40 more than last year. There were 11 no shows but only 4 were providers, the others were nurse or lab visits. The no show provider visits were sent to the department heads so they are made aware. There were 257 less prescriptions than last year, total of 767 prescriptions for August. There were 74 physicals in August. They are doing about 7 physicals a day. The clinic has more patients coming in. Nurse Practitioner is coming in and will be working during Kara's maternity leave. Roger Woolsey said Assistant City Manager in Kingsport is looking at doing their own clinic and he wants to meet with Leslie at some point to discuss the pros and cons of the clinic. The plumbing issue is being fixed and door was put in. Kevin Swatsell asked about the diabetes shot for maintenance for weight loss. His employees are asking why they can't get the Ozempic shot for preventive maintenance. Chris Poynter said BCBS came out July 1st saying unless you were already diagnosed as a Type 2 Diabetic you can't get the Ozempic shot. Some vendors are even asking for clinical notes. Mounjaro shot is for weight loss but is \$12,000 a pop. A compound (semaglutide) is available for about \$200-\$250 a month. Roger Woolsey

**Greene County Insurance Committee
Regular Meeting-Minutes Open Session
September 27, 2023
Greene County Annex Greeneville, Tennessee**

Sheriff Holt mentioned again the issue when an employee goes to an Urgent Care (such as Summit) and they are seen by the doctor there but then are billed by a Medical Provider separately. Erin Elmore said that there is not much we can do because the facility is suppose to tell the patient who is in network. Chris will check with Susan.

Motion to adjourn and go into closed session was made by Commissioner Dabbs. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Peters.

Claims:

Motion was made by Commissioner Dabbs and was seconded by Commissioner Peters to approve TSC-0001941. There was no opposition.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dabbs and was seconded by Commissioner Peters to approve TSC-0001948. There was no opposition.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dabbs and was seconded by Sheriff Holt to approve TSC-0001875. Ther was no opposition.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Peters and seconded by County Attorney Roger Woolsey. There was no opposition.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth McNeese

Greene County Commission Education Committee

5 September 2023

Regular Meeting

The Greene County Commission Education Committee met at 3:30 PM at the Greene County Schools Central Office for its regular May meeting.

Committee Members in Attendance: Chairman Bill Dabbs, Lloyd Bowers, Kathy Crawford, Larkin Clemmer, Jan Kiker and Paul Burkey. Director David McLain was present as well.

Others in Attendance:

The Committee reviewed the minutes from 5 June meeting. Mr. Bowers made the motion to accept the minutes. Ms. Crawford seconded. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously.

There were no resolutions for review by the committee

Mr. McLain presented the School Board retreat notes. Highlights included

- Greene County had 14 students with perfect TCAP scores
- 162 teachers had a "teacher effect score" meaning their students and they were measured against a state standard
 - o 53 were level 5 teachers
 - o 21 were level 4 teachers
 - o 53 were level 3 teachers
- The County had a Level 5 school system
- All four middle schools and two high schools (North Greene and South Greene) were Level 5 schools
- Greene County Schools had a Level 5 TVAAS score for growth seven years in a row
- Greene County schools in general scored better in Math than English Language Arts

Initial attendance is down slightly this year at about 5790 students. No High School has more than 600 students. Only Chuckey Doak has more than 500 students.

Meeting adjourned.

The next Education Committee meeting will be at 3:30 PM on Monday, October 30, 2023.



Respectfully submitted,
Paul Burkey
Secretary

Greene County Purchasing Committee
Greene County Courthouse Jury Room
September 18, 2023, 5:30 p.m.
Official Minutes

Members Present

Mayor Kevin Morrison
Tim Smithson
Pam Carpenter
Teddy Lawing
Tim White-Arrived after vote.

Others Present

Krystal Justis
Chief David Beverly
Spencer Morrell

Acting Chairman Tim Smithson called the meeting to order for the purpose of conducting Greene County business.

Secretary Teddy Lawing presented the minutes from the August 21, 2023, Purchasing Committee Minutes. Upon motion to approve the minutes by Pam Carpenter and seconded by Mayor Kevin Morrison, and an affirmative vote of the committee, the minutes were approved.

Approval of Bid 101-1224 Night Vision Goggles: On the motion by Pam Carpenter and seconded by Mayor Kevin Morrison, and an affirmative vote of the committee, the bid was awarded to U.S. Night Vision for a quote of \$59,550.00.

With no further business and motion by Teddy Lawing, with no opposition, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Teddy Lawing
County Commissioner
Secretary
Purchasing Committee

Greene County Emergency Communications District

August 8, 2023, 3:30pm

UT Extension Conference Room

Official Minutes

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Members Present: Hoot Bowers, Pamela Carpenter, Tim Ward, Roger Woolsey, Teddy Lawing, Ryan Holt, Jon Waddle, Heather Sipe, Kelly Dabbs, Erin Elmore

Member Absent: Dustin Jeffers, Jerry Bird, Alan Shipley, Josh Ferguson, Danny Green

Others Present: Nelson Morais- Greeneville Sun

Tim Ward called the meeting to order at 3:30pm for conducting the business of the Greene County Emergency Communications District.

Secretary Pam Carpenter presented the prior minutes upon motion by Hoot Bowers, a second by Teddy Lawing, and an affirmative vote of the board, the prior minutes were approved.

Treasurer John Waddle presented the financials of \$1,271,000 and \$856,000 last year. In the month of July we didn't receive any money.

Until a full staff is available we will use the overtime line. We are at 14 fulltime (4 hired, 3 just hired) 6 part time people, each shift consists of 4 right now at the present

One line item next month ,unemployment, John will check with Jerry about this.

Hoot Bowers motioned that funds will be moved to designated areas, Pam Carpenter second to move the funds and the motion passed.

Hoot Bowers motioned, Teddy Lawing second to pass the treasure report.

Hoot Bowers motioned, John Waddle second to pass the secretary report.

Teddy motioned, Hoot Bowers second about the breach of contract with Hyper Reach.

Jerry will look at the price later of (Upgrade needed for AT&T..

We will revisit next month, the topic of Text Care (Healthcare- 911) Blue Cross has 1 nurse, and the third are using this benefit.

With no further business and a motion by Hoot Bowers, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

**Pamela Carpenter
Secretary**

Greene County Emergency Communications District
September 7, 2023
Official Minutes

Members Present:

Tim Ward
Hoot Bowers
Teddy Lawing
Alan Shipley
Dustin Jeffers
Josh Ferguson
John Waddle

Absent:

Pam Carpenter

Others Present:

Jerry Bird
Kelly Dabbs
Jon Waddell
Heather Sipe
Chan Humbert
Tim Tweed
Kevin Morrison
Wesley Holt
Calvin Hawkins
(Citizens & Contractors)
(See in Minutes)

Chairman Tim Ward called the meeting to order to conduct District business.

No Minutes, Pam Carpenter was absent.

Treasurer John Waddle presented the monthly financials to the board. One line item needed to be adjusted and upon motion by Hoot Bowers and a second by John Waddle, and an affirmative vote of the board, \$6000.00 was moved from 4107 to 4004.01. On motion of Hoot Bowers and seconded by Alan Shipley, and an affirmative vote of the board, the treasurers report was approved.

Training Update: There have been 5 hired for dispatch positions and still have 2 positions to fill.

Rave Update: Ready to start marketing to public, SWAT teams in the system, ready to contact city schools to load their files. Hopefully be buttoned up and ready by next month. Director Bird is learning the system.

Recorder Upgrade Update: Director Bird told the board that the state of Tennessee is moving towards a I3 System part of which allows texts to 911. The last recorder was purchased in 2010 and has been updated 3 times up to 2017. On motion by Hoot Bowers and a second by Teddy Lawing, and an affirmative vote of the board, a new recorder will be purchased for \$32,000.00.

Address Policy: Mayor Kevin Morrison told the board that getting 911 addresses assigned is confusing and a policy needs to be developed. A citizen (Curtis White) advised that he has property in Greene County that he wants an address for but, is not ready to build or get a building permit and is unable to get an address. A group of contractors and builders including Jeff Idell from Idell Construction, Donnie Brooks from Brooks Excavating, Jamey Hite from Hite Construction, Courtney Poe from E&E Excavating, LLC, and Leslie Allen from Glen Hills Utility. After much discussion, the mayor is to form a committee to try and come up with a policy that

will work for everyone. Until something is put in place the committee agreed that if someone has a contractor's license or a building permit, that a 911 address will be provided.

With no further business, and upon motion by Hoot Bowers and a second by Teddy Lawing and no objection, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Teddy Lawing
Acting Secretary
County Commissioner District 7

Minutes of the Greene County Regional Planning Commission

A meeting of the Greene County, TN Regional Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

Members Present/Absent

Sam Riley, Chairman
Gwen Lilley, Vice-Chairman
~~Gary Rector, Secretary~~
Lyle Parton, Alternate Secretary
~~Edwin Remine~~
~~Stevi Misener~~
Phillip Ottinger
~~Jason Cobble~~
Becky Rideout

Staff Representatives Present/Absent

Kevin Morrison, County Mayor
~~Roger Woolsey, County Attorney~~
Amy Tweed, Planning Coordinator
~~Tim Tweed, Building Official~~
Kevin Swatsell, Road Superintendent
Debbie Collins, Building Department

Also participating: Interested citizens

The Chairman called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees. The Chairman asked if members had received the draft minutes of the August 8, 2023 meeting. A motion was made by Lyle Parton, seconded by Gwen Lilley, to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Mysinger Property Subdivision. The Planning Commission reviewed and considered granting approval to the Jerry Mysinger Property Subdivision, for two lots totaling 7.44 acres, located adjacent to Shakerag Road in the 2nd civil district. Staff stated Lot 4A was over five acres and was not evaluated for septic system approval, a Certificate of Completion had been signed for Lot 4B, and recommended approval as the plat met all applicable requirements. A motion was made by Phillip Ottinger, seconded by Gwen Lilley, to approve the plat as it met all applicable requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

Combination Plat of Lots 63-64 and 76-77 of the Echo Hills Subdivision. The Planning Commission reviewed and considered granting approval to the Combination Plat of Lots 63-64 and 76-77 of the Echo Hills Subdivision, for one lot totaling 1.44 acres, located adjacent to Echo Drive and Songbird Drive in the 8th civil district. Staff stated that Songbird Drive only had a 20' right-of-way from centerline of the road, and a variance to Article VI (6) of the *Greene County Subdivision Regulations* had been requested. This article required the dedication of ROW when existing ROW width didn't meet the minimum standards listed in the Subdivision Regulations (25' from centerline) but had been overridden by state law. T.C.A. § 13-3-403 (d) prohibited planning commissions from requiring a dedication of ROW adjacent to existing public roads unless there was a legitimate local governmental interest, and the dedication was proportional to the impact generated by the proposed subdivision. In this instance, because there was adequate area provided for utility location and maintenance of the County ROW, no legitimate governmental need existed. Staff recommended

approval of the variance request and the plat, subject to the addition of signatures. A motion was made by Gwen Lilley, seconded by Phillip Ottinger, to grant the variance and approve the plat as it met all applicable requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

Division of a Portion of the Holston Home for Children Property Subdivision. The Planning Commission reviewed and considered granting approval to the Division of a Portion of the Holston Home for Children Property Subdivision, for nine lots totaling 8.25 acres, located adjacent to Lick Hollow Road in the 9th civil district. Staff stated that approximately 22 acres of the original tract would be left unsubdivided, and recommended approval, subject to approval by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), as the plat met all other applicable requirements. A motion was made by Lyle Parton, seconded by Gwen Lilley, to approve the plat subject to approval by TDEC as it met all other applicable requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

Replat of Lots 12 and 13 of Frierson Property Subdivision. The Planning Commission reviewed and considered granting approval to the Replat of Lots 12 and 13 of Frierson Property Subdivision, for two lots totaling 7.77 acres, located on Welcome Grove Road in the 23rd civil district. Staff stated an existing structure on the original Lot 13 was being added to the new Lot 12R, and the vacant 0.5 acre remainder of Lot 13 would be designated as Lot 13R. Approval was recommended as the plat met all applicable requirements. A motion was made by Gwen Lilley, seconded by Lyle Parton, to approve the plat as it met all applicable requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

Greeneville Federal Bank 2.84 ac Property Partition Subdivision. The Planning Commission reviewed and considered granting approval to the Greeneville Federal Bank 2.84 ac Property Partition Subdivision, for three lots totaling 2.84 acres, located on Poplar Springs Road in the 3rd civil district. Staff stated a residence was located on what would become Lot 1 while Lots 2 and 3 would be vacant. Approval was recommended as the plat met all applicable requirements. A motion was made by Gwen Lilley, seconded by Phillip Ottinger, to approve the plat as it met all applicable requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

Knight 3.79 acre Property Partition Subdivision. The Planning Commission reviewed and considered granting approval to the Knight 3.79 acre Property Partition Subdivision, for two lots totaling 3.79 acres, located on Pates Hill Road in the 5th civil district. Staff stated both lots had existing residences, Certificates of Completion had been completed for the properties, and recommended approval as the plat met all applicable requirements. A motion was made by Gwen Lilley, seconded by Lyle Parton, to approve the plat as it met all applicable requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrative minor subdivisions. The Planning Commission was informed the following subdivisions had been approved since the last meeting.

- Faye Odell Property, for one lot totaling 1.01 acres, located adjacent to Boles Lane in the 14th civil district.
- Crystal Martin, for one lot totaling 3.32 acres, located adjacent to Greystone Road in the 22nd civil district.
- Kyle and Sue Hogan Property, for one lot totaling 3.33 acres, located adjacent to West Hogan Lane in the 5th civil district.
- Division of the Esteban Gadea Property, for two lots totaling 0.352 acres, located adjacent to Gray Road in the 9th civil district.
- Jeffers Commercial Subdivision, for one lot totaling 1.99 acres, located adjacent to Erwin Highway in the 1st civil district.
- Property Survey for Barbara Southerland and New Lebanon Baptist Church, for three lots totaling 0.16 acre located off Horton Highway in the 16th civil district.

A motion was made by Gwen Lilley, seconded by Phillip Ottinger, to accept the list. The motion carried unanimously.

Monthly activity report for Building/Zoning/Planning Office. Amy Tweed discussed the monthly department activity report. A motion was made by Gwen Lilley, seconded by Lyle Parton, to accept the report. The motion carried unanimously.

Other Business.

James and Michelle Southerland and Jackie and Martha Southerland Subdivision. The Planning Commission considered a request by James and Michelle Southerland, and Jackie and Martha Southerland, to approve a concept revising the Herbert Southerland Property plat, for property located adjacent to Ripley Island Road. The latest recorded survey was for two lots, the front lot (1.08 acres) located directly in front of the rear lot (1.62 acres), with a combined depth of 900 feet and an average width of 148.5 feet. The front lot, which was a flag lot, only had 27 feet of frontage, while the rear lot was landlocked. The property owners proposed to add 0.5 acres to the front lot from the rear lot, which would increase the degree of nonconformity for the front lot, contrary to Planning Commission policy. After discussion, the consensus of the Planning Commission was to not take action until the proposal was reviewed by Roger Woolsey, Greene County Attorney.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Lyle Parton, seconded by Gwen Lilley, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Approved as written:

10-10-2023

Secretary:

Lyle Parton

Chairman/Vice Chairman:

Gwen Lilley

9/28/23, ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

On 9-28-23, the Animal Control Committee met and present were Commissioners Lisa Anderson, Chase Murray, Larkin Clemmer, Lyle Partin, and Robin Quillen. Others present were Kevin Morrison, Roger Woolsey, and Chris Cutshall. Discussion was held regarding the trucks at Animal Control. Some of the current trucks are in need of extensive repairs. Quotes have been obtained for 2 new trucks, equipped with everything needed, for the amount of \$127118.80. Robin Quillen made the motion with Teddy 2nd to purchase the trucks. All approved the motion, and this will be added as a resolution to the next County Commission meeting. Larkin Clemmer made the motion to adjourn, with the next quarterly meeting to be held October 19, 2023, at the Courthouse Annex.

Greeneville/Greene County Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, October 23, 2023, 5:00 pm EDT
T. Elmer Cox Genealogical and Historical Library

Welcome & Call to Order -- Eleanor G'Fellers, Chair

Public Comments

Approval of Minutes -- July 24, 2023

Financial Report -- Erin Evans

Library Director's Report -- Erin Evans

T. Elmer Cox Report -- Christopher Gose

Board Chair's Items -- Eleanor G'Fellers

- Joint Venture, Todd Smith & Ron Woods
- Approval of Bylaws

Old Business

- Big Spring Room, project update

New Business

- Library closure November 7th, 8th, and possibly 9th
- Renewal of CD at First Horizon
- Library Policies

Friends of the Library Report -- Diane Strimer

Holston River Regional Library Report -- Jennifer Breuer

Announcements

Adjournment

Next Board Meeting will be Monday, January 22, 2023, 5:00 pm, Location TBD

Greeneville/Greene County Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

July 24, 2023

The Board of Trustees for the Greeneville/Greene County Library met for their regularly scheduled quarterly meeting Monday, July 24, 2023 at the Cox Library. Board members in attendance were: Sangela Blue, Barbara Britton, Eleanor G'Fellers, Kriston Gorton and Teddy Lawing. Diane Strimer and Jennifer Breuer represented the Friends of the Library and the Holston River Regional Library, respectively. Also in attendance were Library Director Erin Evans and Assistant Director Christopher Gose.

Chair Eleanor G'Fellers called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. She welcomed all in attendance and with no visitors requesting to speak, asked for approval of the minutes from the April meeting. Motion made by Sangela Blue and seconded by Teddy Lawing to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Director Evans presented the "unaudited statement" reflecting funds available as of 6/30/2023 being \$42,618.88. She reported the YTD received total should reflect an additional \$11,500 for a total of \$428,000.

Director's Report

In addition to the fourth quarter circulation statistics, library programming and summer reading program, Director Evans presented an additional page of items to be included in her report. (See attached Library Director's Report). On this report, she explained that under the landscaping portion, that Westside Garden Club's donation was \$1400. The summer reading program was a success with 523 children attending 5 events. All children received a new book. In addition to the summer reading program, the library there were 33 events held during the fourth quarter, in which 256 children and 100 adults participated.

Director Evans expressed gratitude to Diane Strimer for her leadership of the volunteers for the successful book sale. The book sale raised just over \$40,000 over the three weekends.

Bluebird Pressure Washing expressed a desire to pressure wash the front of the library for free. They are willing to do other parts of the building as well as all of the windows (exterior and interior) for \$895.

Director Evans recognized circulation clerk Jonathan Cook for his outstanding work managing the library's website, Facebook page, Instagram and local publicity.

T. Elmer Cox Library Report

Assistant Director Christopher Gose reported the Cox Library is running smoothly. Staff continues to plan for a 25th anniversary celebration for 2025. A quote for \$1,050 has been received from Neas's Welding for railing installation to bring the steps from the public sidewalk to the front of the building in compliance with ADA. No updates on the chimney concerns.

Board Chair's Items

Chair G'Fellers appointed a committee consisting of Sangela Blue, Barbara Britton and herself to review the Trustee By-Laws. Director Evans will be assist as needed.

Director Evans is preparing the Library Policy for review. She will send the final copy to board members for them to review before the October meeting.

Old Business

The iron gate is in place at the vestibule, however, will not be locked until all parties (Greeneville Fire Department and Greeneville Energy Authority) have keys.

New Business

Before Chair G'Fellers began, she requested Director Evans, Assistant Director Gose, Jennifer Breuer and Diane Strimer leave the room as the following discussion will be about pay increases.

Chair G'Fellers passed out a handout created by Director Evans of the job titles and wages of library employees which included two options for a pay increase. One option, captioned as "new TOG pay study, Option 3" and a second option, captioned "5% increase (budgeted amount)". G'Fellers explained that after

speaking with Director Evans, they felt that Library Assistant, Hilarie Cardnell, should be taken from "step 3" to "step 4". Evans explained to G'Fellers that Cardnell has the longevity (20+ years) and this would put Cardnell making \$2 an hour more than the circulation clerks. Board members reviewed the TOG pay study and determined that Cardnell should actually be earning the amount in the "step 6" level of her pay grade.

There was much discussion and confusion as to how this two-step increase would be paid as the city and county have approved their budget, and did this board actually have the authority to make this decision. Kriston Girton (the TOG councilwoman) told the board that Lora Young, the Town's finance director, had assured Girton the City would make this work. Sangela Blue made a motion to place Hilarie Cardnell at "step 6", seconded by Barbara Britton. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair G'Fellers advised that Director Evans had explained to her that the Town of Greeneville had left Director Evans position off the Appendix A: Updated Salary Schedule. Evans advised G'Fellers that in previous years, her position had been in the same group with the Fire Marshall and Fire Administrative Operations Chief, which are in the "N" category. It was recommended that the Board put the Library Director position under "N". Motion by Sangela Blue, seconded by Barbara Britton to put the Library Director's position under the "N" category on the Town of Greeneville Updated Salary Schedule. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair G'Fellers lead discussion about this board adopting the Town of Greeneville pay scale for all library employees. Motion to adopt the Town's pay scale was made by Sangela Blue and seconded by Barbara Britton. Motion passed unanimously.

Friends of the Library Report

Director Evans gave an update as Diane Strimer had to leave. Evans reported that after the Big Spring Room ADA doors were installed, \$15,000 remained unused. Friends have agreed to give the library up to an additional \$60,000 to complete the work on the Big Spring Room. This will allow Evans to contract out the remodeling of the bathrooms and kitchen rather than relying on the Parks and Rec Department.

Saturday, October 21, 2023 is the annual meeting of the Friends of the Library. Meeting will be at the library and this year will include activities for the children. It is hoped that members will bring their children or grandchildren as a way to introduce them to the library.

Holston River Regional Library

Jennifer Breuer reported that they hope to have the training schedules and available CEU's out next week. September 27 is the annual trustee workshop to be held at the Jefferson City library. At least one trustee needs to attend with the Director, as this will help the library is securing Tech grants.

The Level 5 Summit will be November 14-15, 2023 in Knoxville. Our library is a level 5. Scheduled speakers are the authors of the Library Tool Kit.

Announcements

Councilwoman Kriston Girton said that she has enjoyed being on this board and proud of the work this board has accomplished over the past few years. She stated that if she fails to be re-elected to the City Council, she would like to continue to serve this board in some capacity if there is ever an opening.

Director Evans invited everyone to the "surprise" celebration to acknowledge June Pinkston's 20 years of service at the Cox Library. The reception will take place on August 4, here at the Cox Library from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

There being no further announcements, Kriston Girton motioned to adjourn with a second being offered by Teddy Lawing. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

These minutes were taken by Barbara Britton in the absence of Secretary Susan Brandon.

LIBRARY

9/30/2023

Unaudited Statement

Funds Available 07/01/2023

\$ 52,193.32

Revenues:

Library Sales	\$ 1,615.20
T.Elmer Cox	\$ 789.60
Xerox	\$ 1,223.80
Gifts & Memorials	\$ 1,768.08
Fines	\$ 987.84
Misc. Revenue	\$ 629.30
Lost Cards	\$ 85.00
Grants	\$ -
Lost/Damaged Items	\$ 443.71
Friends of the Library	\$ 4,000.00
Interest(Added to Savings and Endowment Accts Below)	\$ -
County Appropriation	\$ 46,000.00
City Appropriation	\$ 40,000.00

YTD Received

\$ 97,542.53

Expenditures:

Salaries	\$ 58,860.16
Fringe Benefits	\$ 17,191.75
Telephone	\$ 975.92
Utilities	\$ 1,358.90
Books	\$ 1,512.81
Subscription	\$ 1,154.27
Contracts	\$ 2,063.91
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,945.00
Supplies	\$ 2,682.99
Insurance	\$ -
T.Elmer Cox	\$ 2,529.79
Improvements	\$ 87.75
Office Equipment	\$ -

YTD Expended

\$ 90,363.25

Funds Available 9/30/2023

\$ 59,372.60

Unaudited Statement

NOTE This Operating Statement does not include additional funds held by the Library Board in savings and checking account and certificate of deposit:

127-11640	Martin Savings	\$ 13,416.43
127-11620	Endowment	\$ 47,979.79
127-11700	C.D.	\$ 220,000.00
	Total Other	\$ 281,396.22



FIRST QUARTER CIRCULATION STATISTICS FY 2023/24

July through September 2023

	July	August	September	1st Quarter FY 2023/24 July - Sept. 2023	4th Quarter FY 2022/23 April - June 2023	1st Quarter FY 2022/23 July-Sept. 2022
Checkouts	4220	4691	5676	14587	12568	12797
Courier borrowed	168	306	324	798	912	949
Courier Loaned	90	206	268	564	674	801
READS Checkouts	4824	4936	4698	14458	13044	10695
Items Added	103	251	92	446	461	232
Items Withdrawn	21	86	28	135	126	64
Library Cards Issued	139	115	151	405	407	378
Internet Visits	340	374	329	1043	764	1139
Wifi Sessions	177	102	120	399	423	804