

Huddle Notes
Historic Courthouse, Room 212
Tuesday, October 25, 2016
8:12am-8:42am

There is a contest for the Budget Projections. Justin Hill told all of us that there will be a presentation of awards in March 2017 with a March Madness theme. So, prizes will be given not only for best budget projections (October 2016 projections vs. actual outcome), but, also to the best brackets (predicting who will have the best projections).

The September 2016 budget projections presentation included the Assessor Scorecard, which is within the preferred operating zone, and had limited change. The Road & Bridge Scorecard revealed \$500,000 additional revenue due to increase in sales tax and motor vehicle sales tax. Use of seasonal employees reduced expenses for R&B. And, this year, the roads on the north side of the county were painted and striped, and the north side has fewer lane miles than the south side of the county. In the General Revenue, Meghan Payne reported that DOC billing & US Marshall holds caused a decrease in Sheriff fees. Building & Planning Revenue increased by 40% due to increase in zoning fees. Overall, General Revenues were \$562,387 less than projected.

On the Expenditure side, Prosecuting Attorney's office shows a decrease in expenditures of approximately \$80,000 less than projected due to death penalty cases being moved from 2016 to 2017. Sheriff's office reported that genetic testing is being moved to 2017, showing less expenditure than projected. Supplemental to LEST 1 also showing less expenditure than projected due to sales tax being greater than anticipated. Overall, General Expenditures show \$662,489 budgeted but not projected to be spent.

Commissioner Cirtin presented a video created by Jennifer McClure, Chris Coulter, and Kate Morris. This video was also presented at the State of the County at "Good Morning Springfield" sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. "Good Morning Springfield" is held on the first Thursday of each month, but on October 6th, it was Greene County's time to shine. Many Greene County employees attended the State of the County presentation. Presenters also included Dr. Jason Wilkins, who spoke of the Greene County Jail accreditation from the National Commission on Correctional Health Care. Jamie Raab spoke about the music therapy program in conjunction with Drury University. Camille Knowles spoke about negotiating to get both Cox & Mercy as medical care providers for Greene County employees. Dan Patterson spoke of innovations at the Greene County Prosecuting Attorney's office. John Marion spoke about the Home Builder's Association working in conjunction with GC Building Regulations department. Shane Schoeller spoke about the need for more poll workers for the upcoming election. And, of course, there was a presentation for the Great Game of Business.

Commissioner Cirtin said that his take-away from the "Good Morning Springfield" gathering was the "sense of possibility". Greene County works with the sense of possibility. What is possible for us to do? How can we do better? What sense of possibility do YOU have?