

Great Game Huddle Notes

January 9, 2018

Kevin Barnes introduced Lonnie Vandiver who gave a presentation on "Code Compliance".

Greene County made funds available to hire a code compliance officer, Lonnie Vandiver.

At the first Huddle Lonnie attended, he was asked his name and his goal. His goal was to figure out what a code compliance officer was.

The purpose of code compliance is to:

- Achieve compliance with zoning, building, etc.
- Ensure the health and safety of Greene County residents
- Preserve property values and aesthetic beauty

Achieving compliance:

- A call comes in and a form is filled out
- There is a site visit and Lonnie talks to the owners or calls them
- A code violation letter is issued
- If the owner does not comply, the information is turned over to the county counselor

So far, every case taken to the courts has been ruled in favor of Greene County.

Lonnie looks for compliance in building permits, environmental safety, and zoning issues.

Zoning issues:

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| High weeds and grass | Trash and dumping |
| Immobile vehicles | Animals |
| Living in travel trailers | Dangerous structures |
| Unauthorized businesses | |

2017 Stats:

- 506 cases were generated
- 591 cases were closed
- 175 cases are current
- 202 code violation letters were issued
- 32 cases in hands of county counselor
- 15 derelict properties were tore down with only 3 at the county's expense
- Of a 60,000 budget, 59,607 was spent

Lonnie stated the following:

"Code compliance is a group effort and I have great cooperation from all of the other county departments."

"Code compliance is an amazing opportunity to have a positive impact in our county, for those who have concerns and for those who need to comply".

Lonnie Vandiver is a great addition to the Greene County Team!