Great Game Huddle Notes June 7, 2016

Angie Crews welcomed huddle participants. She introduced Commissioner Bob Cirtin for a presentation of the monthly Commission Corner.

Commissioner Cirtin began by detailing the proposal made by the Commission to Springfield City Council to lease to the city a temporary inmate housing facility in an effort to once again accept Springfield Municipal Court offenders into the Greene County Jail. The temporary structure would be erected in the parking area north of the Commissioner's office. A joint Commission and Sheriff press conference outlining Greene County's proposal to the city can be found on the Sheriff's web page.

Commission Cirtin provided the following summary of the main points of the county proposal:

- 1. The facility would house 112 to 130 additional prisoners per day including a minimum of 20 municipal inmates.
- 2. The city is being asked to contribute \$1 million at the execution of the agreement and \$1 million per year in the second and third years of the agreement.
- 3. The facility will take approximately 90 to 125 days to construct.

Commissioner Cirtin said the county and city will meet today to ascertain the city's position on the proposal. Mr. Cirtin expressed guarded optimism that the city council will support the plan.

The Commissioner followed with an update on the status of the <u>Team Greene</u> volunteer program to work the information booths in the Historic Courthouse and Judicial Courts Building. Applications have been sent to several individuals that have expressed interest. Following interviews and screening qualifying candidates will initially be assigned to the Historic Courthouse location. The entire process should take between 2 to 3 weeks.

Commissioner Cirtin then discussed a venture between Greene County and the Ozarks Greenway to raise funds for further development and maintenance of the Greenway trails. Donation jars will be set up in participating offices to raise money for this non-profit organization. He requested that all donations be made in currency or coinage of quarter dollar denominations.

Mr. Cirtin then announced the winners of the Top Branch award. Their names will appear in the County *Rotunda* publication. He concluded by thanking the Collector's Office for their monetary and sweat equity efforts landscaping the employee parking area at the northwest Corner of Boonville Avenue and Central Street. The huddle gave the Collector personnel rousing applause in appreciation.

Joe Montanez with Juvenile was introduced to give a Character First presentation on *sincerity*. Following the video Mr. Montanez said that sincerity in our motives promotes trust. Being real, transparent and truthful are also important motives to sincerity. He quoted author Douglas Adams who said, "To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity". Three important aspects relating to sincerity are:

- 1. Check Your Motives. Take an honest look at what moves you to action.
- 2. Mean What You Say. Pay attention to what you say and how you say it.
- 3. Walk the Talk. You maintain credibility by keeping your word, being consistent and owning up to your mistakes. Mr. Montanez provided an example of this happening to him in his department.

Mr. Montanez concluded his presentation with the following summary quote; "Work builds hope – action builds trust."