# **Great Game Huddle Notes**

### 05/01/18

Cindy opened the meeting by introducing Matt Wallace from KPM for a presentation on Cooperation. A short video was watched.

Matt opened with the key components to Cooperation:

- Stop and Listen
- Communication
- Find a Way to Help

Basically what is Cooperation – it is essential in all aspects of life. By working together and cooperating you benefit not only from the additional strength and ideas from others but the mutual encouragement keeps progress going even when times or discouraging.

KMP works with a range of entities from large to small teaching and helping to achieve the best end result. It is important to know your audience and what role would be most effective. The County is a good example of this since each different department is unique in how they operate. Listening is key to how they accomplish their goals and the procedures that have been put into place.

Theodore Roosevelt stated "The most important single ingredient in the formula of success is knowing how to get along with people".

#### Stop and Listen:

To work effectively with others, you have to listen to their ideas. In order to work effectively with someone else you have to consider what they bring to the table.

#### Communication:

Keep in mind the feelings and thoughts of others as you share your ideas. Once you have listened carefully explain your ideas and, if you have to disagree, be sure to do so respectfully.

#### Find a Way to Help:

After you have gathered your ideas, it is time to find a way you can help the group work together. In order to fully cooperate with someone else, you need to do something. Once you have gathered the opinions and ideas of everyone and communicated your thoughts it is time to find a way you can help the group work together to reach the goal.

#### **Questions for Discussion:**

Question: Why is it important to listen to others first before telling them what you think?

*Comments:* Possibly what they have to say could change your mind on how you should proceed.

Question: How does a culture of cooperation impact the ability to get stuff done?

*Comments:* Breaks down barriers to success for a creative solution.

Question: How can having an open mind help you work with others?

*Comments:* You may not have the right concept from the beginning – and sometimes the best ideas come from other people.

Matt wanted to make just a few final points. To always finish your communications and be aware of others perspective and how others feel about sharing their ideas. Working toward a common goal – helps all offices to work together.

## Commission's Corner

Bob introduced the new PIO – Donna Barton – She is excited about becoming a part of Greene County. She is married and has a daughter 23.

Bob stated that we have been cleared by the Ethics Committee and they are very pleased with the results. The Committee believed the push card was educational and paid for by Greene County was acceptable. However, when placing a re-order for some additional push cards for education they changed the wording to say that this expense was paid for by the Sheriff and should have left it as Greene County.

Harold addressed the question that was presented to the Commission:

<u>Question</u> – At the entryways, please consider removing the signs on the outside of the building that state there are no weapons in this building. Can we please NOT advertise that everyone in <u>the building is unarmed?</u>

<u>Answer</u> – Your concern is understood and has been the point of discussion. The signs were the result of concerns expressed to and evaluated by the Campus Safety Committee and after input from our County Counsel. Because of your expressed concern this matter will again be forwarded to the Campus Safety Committee for evaluation and their findings once again will be evaluated by County Counsel for retention, possible modification or elimination.

They are doing everything they can to make sure that the public and employees remain safe.

If you have any comments on this, please email the Commissioners.