



GREENE COUNTY COMMISSION

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MINUTES

Daily Briefing

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Greene County Commission Office

9:00 a.m.

Present: Trysta Herzog, Chris Coulter, Maily Knight, Bob Cirtin, Cindy Stein, Jeff Scott, Larry Woods, Harold Bengsch, Kate Morris, and Chris Mericle.

Commissioner Cirtin offered congratulations to Larry Woods, who was named Director of the Office of Emergency Management. Those present also congratulated him.

Purchasing Director Chris Mericle presented the Cox Medical Tower 10th floor moving budget (Exhibit A.) He noted that the office will need new wifi due to construction interference. Jeff Scott stated that the project is currently under budget, but there are still possible expenses, such as moving the copy machines, that will need to be considered as expenditures are made. He suggested not purchasing conference table chairs unless it is determined new ones are needed, as the current chairs can be used instead. The Commission agreed. Chris Coulter inquired as to what the Public Administrator furniture budget looks like. Mericle said there currently isn't one, since they already have all the furniture they need from their previous location. Coulter suggested the Public Administrator be contacted about this to ensure that there won't be any unexpected furniture expense later.

An Intergovernmental Agreement with Willard for roadwork was presented from the Highway Department. (On file in Clerk's Office.)

Commissioner Cirtin made the motion to sign the IGA. Commissioner Bengsch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough Nay: None Absent: None Abstain: None

The Sheriff requested the addition of two transport corporals, at \$35,323,47 each, and laptop equipment (\$1,011.74 each) and maintenance (\$104,000). This is budgeted and was part of the agreement for the LEST addendum.

Commissioner Cirtin made the motion to approve the addition and purchase. Commissioner Bengsch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough Nay: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Larry Woods spoke to the Commission about vacancies at OEM. He said OEM Planner John Elmore's last day would be Friday. He would like to transfer Lindsey Mericle from municipalities planner to the vacant OEM planner position. The OEM planner position is 15 percent funded by General Revenue and the rest is funded by an EMPG grant and City of Springfield; and while the municipalities planner position is self-funded by contract. Jeff Scott told the Commission that the vacancies at OEM reflect lower spending for the fiscal year, which could result in cuts to the OEM budget for the next year. He advised that filling the vacancies would keep the current level of funding safer. Commissioner Cirtin recommended that the Commission wave the 90-day hiring freeze in order to fill the vacancies.

Commissioner Bengsch made the motion to allow the vacancies to be filled. Commissioner Cirtin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye: Bengsch, Cirtin, Hough Nay: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Jeff Scott gave an update. He said he is catching up after his vacation. He said sales tax growth is now positive compared to where it was this time last year. It has not been positive since March.

Maily Knight showed the Commission the applicant tracking software recruitment data. (Exhibit B). She said she is currently working with Trysta Herzog to make a recruitment video.

Chris Coulter told the Commission that, since the Commission group has opted to not attend the Chamber's Leadership Annual trip in order to save money, refunds will need to be requested. He said Chamber President Matt Morrow asked if the County could send at least one representative; which would still be a savings as opposed to sending several representatives. The consensus was that Commissioner Cirtin go.

Trysta Herzog let the Commission know that the News Leader editorial on the jail population study would be in the paper tomorrow. She said she is also working to determine if photo release forms for employees are necessary.

Meeting adjourned.