

# GREENE COUNTY COMMISSION



HAROLD BENGSCHE  
COMMISSIONER 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT

BOB CIRTIN  
PRESIDING COMMISSIONER

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COMMISSIONER 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT

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## MINUTES

Daily Briefing November 15, 2016  
Greene County Commission Office  
9:00 a.m.

Presiding Commissioner Bob Cirtin called the meeting of November 15, 2016 to order.

Roll Call – Upon roll call the following Commissioners were present:

Present: Bob Cirtin, Harold Bengsch, Roseann Bentley

Absent: None

Others Present: Chris Coulter, Greene County Sheriff Jim Arnott, Camille Knowles, and Marilyn Elsass.

### Items for Consideration and Action by the Commission

(none)

### Informational Items

#### Budget Office—Jeff Scott

Budget Officer Jeff Scott was absent due to budget preparation.

#### Human Resources—Camille Knowles

Human Resources Director Camille Knowles briefed the Commission on the Greene County life insurance rate schedule.

There was a discussion of the new legislative statute to take effect December 1, 2016, regarding exempt and non-exempt employees. Ms. Knowles informed the Commission that using text messaging to non-exempt employees outside of their normal work hours could create an overtime situation. A discussion followed regarding new labor laws that will be implemented after the first of next year.

Ms. Knowles stated the county's insurance broker inquired about the ability to choose between Cox Health Care System and Mercy Health Services. Ms. Knowles reported to the broker that selections were well received by employees. Ms. Knowles stated she is receiving inquiries from other local businesses and a university regarding the opportunity of selection of insurance companies.

Chris Coulter

Mr. Coulter did not have any items to bring before the Commission.

**Other Items**

Greene County Sheriff Jim Arnott reported on department vacancies as well as future medical leaves. The Sheriff proposed to offer a sign up bonus that would include a service contract to be funded through the Inmate Security Fund. Sheriff Arnott proposed the Sheriff's Department have the option to bid for outside medical and psychological services due to the number of vacancies in order to provide consistent coverage for inmates. Sheriff Arnott requested to begin the bidding process with February 2017 as a target date that would allow 60 to 90 days to bring new staff up to training standards. Sheriff Arnott informed the Commission that Greene County is the largest sheriff operated jail in the State of Missouri and the only facility that has medical accreditation.

The Commissioners agreed to allow Sheriff Arnott to move forward regarding the bidding process. The Sheriff will contact Purchasing Director Chris Mericle to initiate this process.

There was a discussion of per diem costs for inmates being housed outside Greene County and a review of the number of inmates.

Commissioner Cirtin adjourned.