

Greene County Commission

Daily Briefing

REVISED THURSDAY, March 24, 2016

9:30 AM

County Commission Conference Room

933 N. Robberson

Attendees: Commissioners Cirtin, Bengsch and Bentley; Chris Coulter, Kevin Barnes, Jeff Scott, Tina Phillips, Barbara Brown-Johnson of the Child Advocacy Center and Marilyn Elsass.

Items for Consideration and Action by the Commission

1. Budget Order Approvals—Jeff Scott

- *Jeff presented the Commission with some line items to adjust for the Sheriff's office. This is an internal adjustment taking funds in excess in one area and entering them into shortfall items.*

Informational Items

1. Resource Management—Kevin Barnes

- *Update on filling Storm Water Engineer position. The first applicant declined the position when his company offered to allow him to work remotely from Springfield. A second offer has been made to another applicant who would come to us from MoDOT.*
- *Two new employees will be starting April 4, Matt Anderson as a building inspector and Valerie Sidebottom as a technician.*
- *Update on the Flood Plain Study. Information continues to be gathered with a target date to be completed in July.*
- *Campus updates:*
 - *Cox Tower Update—bid on Monday, March 28. Went over numbers for the remodel. MSI was the low bidder (Adam and Frank Howie). We have floor six now and will acquire floors seven and eight. Meeting will be tomorrow with Dan Patterson, PA and the contractor. Cox will replace all the windows in the tower.*
 - *Judicial Courthouse—renovation on schedule for coffee bar. Delay in the flooring due to curing the compound. Target date is early April. Tom Barr's space (Circuit Clerk) is being worked on—sprinkler and carpet. Circuit Clerk's office is on target. Monitors are being hung in the lobby.*
 - *PIO/Janet McClure's Office—is being worked on and is on target to be finished next week.*

2. Other Items

Barbara Brown-Johnson, Child Advocacy Center

- *Ms. Johnson explained the paper presented for the Presiding Commissioner to sign as being an application for grant money to cover salaries and operating expenses. She explained the NAP (Neighborhood Advocacy Program) tax credit request is required to have different members of the local community sign in support indicating there is no conflict of programs with the funds being requested.*
- *Ms. Johnson gave an update of the services they provide the community covering 16 counties in Missouri and having just celebrated their 20th anniversary in operation. The center conducts pathology and examinations for child victims of abuse and neglect.*
 - *Ms. Johnson indicated that Greene County has an excellent Prosecuting Attorney and Investigators that take these matters very seriously. The top two largest local counties they serve are Greene and Christian Counties. The center has expanded to Howell County and the center has rehabbed the previous Health Department building there and is now debt free at that facility. They have 23 staff members.*
- *Commissioner Cirtin stated the Commission is in support of the center's services and will verify their written acknowledgement through council and will get back with her today.*

Jeff Scott:

- *Jeff indicates a meeting today regarding insurance for campus buildings coverage and went over numbers for the premium. General liability was discussed for possible increase in coverage.*
- *27th pay period discussion. Jeff went through the numbers based on different dates to recognize the 27th pay period. The Commission agreed the salary increase mentioned to employees earlier will begin accruing in July with the July 22 pay check being the first check showing the increase.*
- *Discussion of employee merit evaluations.*

Tina Phillips:

- *Tina presented the Commissioners with bond transfer payment letters for signature.*
- *Tina reports that Laura Robinson from the Department of Public Safety visited Jeff and Tina yesterday. They had a good report on signage and stated the only thing she saw the county was missing was a poster for "Discrimination in Places of the Public". That posting has been corrected. Ms. Robinson stated that there is not a ruling at this time, but we need to be thinking about adopting a foreign language policy dealing with language barriers. It is noted that E-911 has an interpreter for call-ins from foreign speaking individuals.*
- *Jeff stated there is an alarm system we could access to update us on posters that have been revised.*
- *Discussion of harassment training. There may be a possibility of doing this on-line so employees wouldn't need to spend time in training as well as arranging for an instructor. Camille Knowles, Andrea Stewart, and Sheriff Arnott were on hand to discuss this subject.*

Chris Coulter:

- *Chris will follow up on the NAP Tax Credit document and get back with Ms. Johnson today.*

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