

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 2021**

SEPTEMBER 10, 2021 MEETING:

Chairman Usry led the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

Call to Order: Chairman Usry called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioners Filice, Lindsey, Deering, Smith and Chairman Usry were present. Also present was County Manager Byron Lombard.

Minutes: The Chairman inquired with the Commissioners to determine if any corrections were necessary for the minutes under consideration for approval. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the Minutes from the August 2021 Regular Monthly Meeting. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Items:

Consideration of a Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2022 Budgets: The Commissioners received background information that the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Process has been completed and the necessary legal steps, including the required public hearing, have been complied with. Commissioner Filice motioned to approve Resolution Number 2021.9.14 (a) adopting the Fiscal Year 2022 Budgets for all Funds of the County, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Resolution Adopting Fire Department Agreements: The Commissioners were informed that previously the Board set in place the framework whereby the contracts for the private, non-profit fire departments would be addressed annually with the County's fiscal year. These contracts are required to establish the legal mechanism through which the County can provide these entities funding through the tax districts. The Agreements with the volunteer departments including Greshamville, Walker Church, and Liberty remain the same as in previous years. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve Resolution Number 2021.9.14 (b) Adopting Agreements with Private, Non-Profit Fire Departments, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Lindsey seconded.

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Salary Supplements for Constitutional Officers: The Board received background information that a resolution was prepared that would authorize the increased salary supplements for the four Constitutional Officers in next year's budget. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve Resolution Number 2021.9.14 (c) authorizing salary supplements for the four Greene County Constitutional Officers, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Budget Adjustments: The Board received a listing of the necessary budget adjustments in preparation for the annual audit. These adjustments were identified by the Finance Office to address adjustments to maintain compliance with State requirements. The adjustments include payroll-related items, road repairs and materials, insurance claims, and other adjustments for the Sheriff's Office and Fire Service. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to approve the necessary budget adjustments for the 2021 Fiscal Year as detailed on the submitted budget amendment forms. Commissioner Filice seconded. Commissioners inquired as to the road repairs on Liberty Connector, with County Manager Lombard giving further detail as to the nature of the repairs. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Lease Agreement with the Georgia State Properties Commission – Radio Communications Tower: The Board received background information regarding the desire of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to enter into a lease agreement with the County to continue using the County’s Woodville Road radio communications tower to locate DNR’s radio equipment. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to approve the Lease Agreement between Greene County and the State Properties Commission for tower space located on the county-owned tower on Firetower Road. Commissioner Smith seconded. Commissioner Lindsey inquired as to whether anyone else uses the tower, and County Manager Lombard advised that the County has been unsuccessful so far in its repeated efforts to solicit the interest of cell phone providers to locate on the tower. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a Contract for Services with the Historical Society: The Board received background information that the approved FY2021 Budget allocated \$2,000.00 to provide funding support to the Greene County Historical Society to facilitate their role in storing, archiving, and handling historically significant items owned by Greene County. In order to distribute the funding allocation, a contract is required. Commissioner Deering motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2021.9.14 (d) authorizing the execution of a contract with the Greene County Historical Society, Inc., and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner’s Report:

District Three Commissioner Lindsey reported that he was very pleased with all the new jobs comings to Union Point and thanked Economic Development Director Sam Young and the Development Authority for their support.

Chairman Usry reported that Director Young’s quarterly economic development newsletter has very good information and that a new one had just come out.

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: Chairman Usry adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sylvia V. Hill, County Clerk

The above minutes were adopted and approved this day 14th day of September, 2021.

Gary Usry, Chairman

Jeffery L. Smith, Vice-Chairman

Angela Walker Deering, Commissioner

Dee Lindsey, Commissioner

Ernie Filice, Commissioner