

The Board of Greene County Commissioners met in regular session at 1 P.M. Those present were: Tom Koogler, Rick Perales and Richard D. Gould.

The minutes of Thursday, April 21, 2022 previously circulated and available for public viewing were approved.

IN RE – APPROVAL OF TRAVEL/TRAINING EXPENSES

Mr. Gould moved Resolution 22-4-28-1 for approval of travel or training.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

IN RE – TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 22-4-28-2 authorizing the transfer of appropriations.

Mr. Gould seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

IN RE – PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Mr. Gould moved Resolution 22-4-28-3 approving the personnel actions as presented.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

IN RE – PROCLAIMING NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Mr. Gould moved Resolution 22-4-28-4 proclaiming May 5, 2022 as National Day of Prayer in Greene County with the theme, "A Call to Praise in Prayer".

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

IN RE – PROCLAIMING MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 22-4-28-5 proclaiming May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and urging all citizens to recognize the importance of motorcycle awareness and safety.

Mr. Gould seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

IN RE – APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ROAD PROJECT: SUGARCREEK TOWNSHIP

Mr. Gould moved resolution 22-4-28-6 approving an application for a road project from Sugarcreek Township for replacement of curb and catch basins in a plat, in the amount of \$4,277.02, as recommended by the County Engineer.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

Brandon Huddleson, County Administrator, said the next item has been much anticipated because it is a program to help local non-profits. The ARPA Non-Profit Grant Program will provide grants up to \$25,000 for eligible non-profit organizations in the County. He said \$1 million from the County’s ARPA funds will be used for the program. The County will use ARPA funds to purchase software to facilitate the program in the amount of \$14,000.

The application period for the non-profit grant program will be May 23, 2022 to June 30, 2022, with grants awarded in July of 2022. Applications are online through the County’s Department of Development.

Commissioners said they are excited about this program to help local non-profit organizations, and, to some, a one-time grant of \$25,000 is a big boost.

IN RE – APPROVING ARPA NON-PROFIT GRANT PROGRAM

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 22-4-28-7 approving the ARPA Non-Profit Grant Program for the County. The application period is May 23, 2022 to June 30, 2022.

Mr. Gould seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

IN RE – RECOGNIZING GREENE COUNTY ACHIEVERS (10)

Mr. Gould moved Resolution 22-4-28-8 through 17 recognizing the following Greene County Achievers to be recognized at the Annual Report to the Community on May 6, 2022: Vicki Giambrone, Elise T. Mead Lifetime Achievement Award; David Graham, Richard J. Makowski Award for “Outstanding Auditor of the Year”; Senior Airman Michael Mannozi, WPAFB 2020 Air Force “Male Athlete of the year”; Captain Amber Hansen, WPAFB 2020 Air Force “Female Athlete of the Year”; Phillips Companies, OAIMA “Aggregate Transportation Company of the Year”; Jack Davis, OAIMA “Aggregate Trucker of the Year for Impeccable Safety Record” (Phillips Companies); Erica Blaire Roby, 2021 Food Network’s Master of the “Cue” – BBQ Brawl Winner; Jubie’s Creamery, 2021 North American Ice Cream Association “Best New Flavor of the Year”; Julie Holmes-Taylor, OCDWA Annual Award for 2021 “Dog Warden of the Year”; and Bellbrook Middle School, Governor’s Thomas Edison 2021 “Award for Excellence in STEM Education”.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

Sherry LeBlanc, Director Personnel Department, came before the Board to present the Quarterly Peer Recognition Winners for the period January 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022. She briefly explained the employee recognition program which is part of the Customer Service Award Program designed to recognize employees for excellent customer service. Submissions are reviewed by a panel and recipients are awarded a Certificate of Appreciation, a shirt and a Visa gift card. They will also be eligible to win an annual award for customer service.

Three employees were selected: Michelle (Mea) Allen, Job & Family Services; Ashley Sharrett, Sanitary Engineering; and Brooke Myers, Job & Family Services.

Ms. LeBlanc introduced each employee and told about why they were selected. Ms. Allen offered dedicated, compassionate assistance to a child in need during a difficult time; Ms. Sharrett provided first-class customer service to internal and external customers; and Ms. Myers assisted co-workers and the public daily during one of the most stressful times, the pandemic.

Commissioners thanked each recipient for going above and beyond in helping clients, externally and internally. They thanked Ms. LeBlanc and her team for putting this program together to recognize those employees who go above and beyond each day to assist others, and stated that the people are the most important part of any organization.

A copy of Ms. LeBlanc’s presentation follows this page in the journal.

Libby Powers, Family Visitation Center, came before the Board for recognition of the Family Visitation Center Volunteer of the Year award recipient, Kelsie Spencer. Ms. Spencer has been with the Center as a Family Monitor since August of 2021 and has volunteered over 300 hours. Ms. Powers said Ms. Spencer helped wherever and whenever it was needed, and took the initiative to calm a distressed child at the Center. Ms. Spencer said she is in her senior year at Wright State University and will graduate with a degree in social work. Commissioners thanked Ms. Spencer for her work as a volunteer and wished her the best.

Ms. Powers said May is Supervised Visitation Awareness Month and asked the Board to approve a resolution declaring as such in Greene County. She said the Visitation Center offers a structured, safety-enhanced place for visitation services to protect children and parents. According to Ms. Powers, 75 children come in weekly for either visitation or exchange. She said the Visitation Center has been providing services for 22 years. They couldn’t do what they do without volunteers, Ms. Powers said. They had 19 volunteers last year and saw 230 children.

Commissioners thanked Ms. Powers, her staff and volunteers for keeping families together and safe.

IN RE – RECOGNIZING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR (FAMILY VISITATION CENTER)

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 22-4-28-18 recognizing Kelsie Spencer as the recipient of the “Family Visitation Center Volunteer of the Year Award”.

Mr. Gould seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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IN RE – PROCLAIMING SUPERVISED VISITATION AWARENESS MONTH

Mr. Gould moved Resolution 22-4-28-19 proclaiming May as Supervised Visitation Awareness Month and urging all citizens to actively participate in activities supporting the Greene County Family Visitation Center.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye
Mr. Gould-----Aye

Mr. Perales stated while Mr. Koogler and Mr. Gould attended the Greene Giving event today, he was at the Springfield Air National Guard's Open House and encouraged the public to attend an open house to see the facility. He said there are 1,400 troops there from all branches which get deployed to places in Ohio and all over the world.

He said the Family Violence Prevention Center (FVPC) Spring Fling fundraiser is tomorrow; call FVPC for tickets. This Friday and Saturday is the celebration of Jim "Pee Wee" Martin's 101st birthday with the Jump Fest at Sky Dive Greene County. Mr. Perales said Mr. Martin and other veterans will be commemorated for their service. He said the Veterans Services will induct the first class into the Greene County Veterans Hall of Fame on Saturday at the County's Media Room at 2 p.m. The first class of inductees are those Greene County residents in the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame.

Mr. Gould said Bill Mercurio passed away. Mr. Mercurio was a founder of Michael's House and will be sorely missed, he said.

Commissioners adjourned at 1:40 P.M. and will reconvene Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 1:00 P.M.

Attest: _____
Clerk

Contracts signed by Co. Admin., pursuant to Res. No. 17-7-27-7:
D. Grooms, CHIP Home Repair/Mortgage, \$10,800, Dept. of Development
L. Shaw, CHIP Home Repair/Mortgage, \$2,568, Dept. of Development
Utilities Instrumentation Service, Electrical Testing & Maintenance, nte \$36,100, Sanitary Eng.
Allied, Rental Contracts (5), Pump Rentals, Sanitary Engineering