



City gets approval for Covid-19 funding, \$150k

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The Greensburg City Council, in a special called meeting Monday evening via Zoom and Facebook Live, was informed that the Department of Local Government has approved the City to receive \$150,622 concerning COVID-19 funding.

"Thanks to the efforts of many, Greensburg - through the Dept. of Local Govt.- was able to secure critical funding to offset the impact of COVID-19," said Mayor John Shuffett.

The Council approved:

(1) An amendment to the salaries and compensation ordinance;

(2) Resolution 2020-1116R1, adopting a modern and accurate legal description of territory previously annexed by ordinance 2011-082010A;

(3) To accept Resolution 2020-1116R2 concerning the water distribution improvements project.

"The Council passed a resolution which clears a path for us to access one million dollars in loan forgiveness for critical upgrades to our water distribution system," said Mayor Shuffett.

City Council members considered matters of concern, including future alcohol sales within the city limits of Greensburg and the revision of the current Alcohol Beverage Control ordinance to meet state guidelines.

Also considered was the need to make board appointments.

Additional Council concerns included: city leaf pick-up, Work Ready Community, street salt availability for winter, water plant testing, water damage repairs at the public library, the Christmas parade, and signage on the Square.

City plans for Christmas

Greensburg's annual Christmas festivities will be held Saturday, Nov. 28, with festivities beginning at approximately 3 p.m. C.T. The Lighting of the Square event will take place at dark, followed by the annual parade.

The City is inviting community members and groups

to participate, by entering a float or vehicle in the parade, setting up an activity booth, or by selling concessions, arts, crafts or another other fundraising event (no for-profit groups, please).

"We are working on growing our events through Greensburg 20/20 and can-

not do it with you!" Mayor John Shuffett said. "There will be activities for all ages on the square, both before and after Light Up Greensburg and the Christmas Parade."

For more information or to set up a booth, call City Hall at 270-932-4298.



Photo by Angelina Alcott

City of Greensburg employee Sam Curtsinger spends the morning hanging lights on the square. City workers will hang hundreds of strands of lights in preparation for the Christmas season, in-between other daily job assignments.

Intermediate School seeks community's help

*Sponsors
needed to
finish project*

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Kids need a playground, a place to run around and take a break from the classroom when they return to school. After the havoc 2020 has brought, kids need a playground more than ever, and GCIS plans to have one ready for them soon.

The Green County Intermediate School Playground Rebuild Project is now underway and the school is seeking the community's help for part of the project.

When Mrs. Donna Young became principal at GCIS

in 2019, she had several improvements and changes in mind, one being the playground- or lack thereof.

"We are very excited to receive the Kaboom Playground Grant," Mrs. Donna Young said. "Our Parent-Teacher-Student Organization and Site-Based Decision-Making Council have been an intricate part in making this rebuild project possible."

The current small playground at GCIS is in poor condition and the students barely utilize the meager offerings.

"Our new playground will be inclusive for all children," Ms. Young said, of her third-fifth grade students. "Our hopes are to increase the time outdoors by creating a space for outdoor classrooms and utilize the playground for educational

purposes as well as physical activity."

The school is still in need of the cost for playground resurfacing to maintain a safe at play experience for students. It has been recommended that rubber mulch is used for the safe at play surface.

"We are asking businesses for help by providing sponsorship toward completion of our playground resurfacing."

Each sponsor will have their choice of sponsor level and their name will appear on a permanent sign fixture visible to passersby of the new playground.

Gold sponsors, \$1,000, will be in large print. Silver, \$500, will be in medium print. Bronze, \$250, sponsors will be in small print. All other donations will be welcome and greatly appreciated as well.



Green County Intermediate School has received a Kaboom Playground Grant, which will feature a playset, swings, basketball, bench and more- something for all children in the school. The school is asking for community sponsors for the purchase of a safe surface.

The goal is \$5,000 which is the cost for resurfacing materials.

Mail checks to GCIS Fundraising/Playground, Attn: Donna Young, 401 Hodgenville Avenue, Greensburg. Or

checks can be dropped off at the Record-Herald office and will be delivered to school promptly. A receipt will also be given to all donors.

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Food Pantry continues to help community, donations needed

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Food insecurity and the fears of not being able to put food on the table continues to be a growing problem all across the county and even in small towns such as Greensburg.

The Food Pantry, located in the basement of the Courthouse on West Court Street, is seeking to prevent hunger in our county.

The Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT every Thursday and is open to anyone who can prove they live in the county and who meets the income guidelines.

The Green County Food Pantry works with the Feeding America warehouse in

Elizabethtown to obtain USDA foods and others foods which are purchased at a discounted rate. However, often the food that the pantry needs are not available to be ordered and must be purchased somewhere else if the food has not been donated.

The Food Pantry also relies on donations from groups, churches and individuals in the county who want to make a difference in people's lives.

Items that are specifically needed now include peanut butter, canned fruit, dry beans, tuna, canned chicken and beef stew. Those are the items that the Food Pantry needs consistently but will not turn down donations of any canned food.

Because of the pandemic

and related issues, families are especially feeling the need for assistance with food. While school children receive food delivered to their houses while not in session, the fact that they are at home more means they eat more.

Food prices have gone up on many items which means that people who have the same amount of money to spend on food must sometimes make difficult decisions when shopping.

Anyone who wants to donate food to the Food Pantry may take it there while they are open. Or if anyone wants to send a check, the check should be made out to Green County Ministerial Association and mailed to P. O. Box 124, Greensburg, KY 42743.

Dragon sporting events move to digital ticketing

The Green County High School Athletic Department announced Monday the transition exclusively to digital ticketing for all ticketed athletic events.

The new procedure will begin with the 2020 basketball season. All tickets will now be fully digital and accessible via smartphones through gofan.co. There will also be a gofan ticket purchase link for each upcoming game posted on the school website and social media pages.

Digital ticketing provides convenience and in-

creases safety by eliminating the physical handling of tickets. Other advantages feature the ability for ticket purchasers to easily transfer tickets and manage their account via a smartphone.

Digital ticketing is the safest, quickest, and most sanitary way for Dragon fans to receive their tickets. With this new process, fans can store their tickets to their smartphone and transfer tickets to a friend via text or email at the push of a button.

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