



Lile Honored as Shining Star

in this weeks salute to dairy month on pages

6A-9A



Fair Royalty Crowned

50 Cents

Visit the Record-Herald online at www.record-herald.com

Greensburg Record-Herald

Serving Green County Since 1895

2 Sections, 20 Pages

No. 25

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

County to receive funds for development projects

CLEVIS JEFFRIES
STAFF WRITER

The Green County Fiscal Court, in a regular called meeting Thursday, June 16, voted to authorize Judge-Executive John Frank to sign documents regarding the American Legion Park Trail Development Project and the Industrial Park Site Development Project.

Grant funding for each project totals \$1,000,000.

"I certainly appreciate Senator David

Givens and Representative Brandon Reed and their assistance in obtaining these funds on behalf of Green County," said Judge-Executive Frank. "The first project is to develop a walking trail with funds available up to \$1,000,000. The second grant is for an Industrial Site Development Project with funds already allocated up to \$1,000,000. At this time, the guidelines are unclear, but nonetheless these are very exciting times!"

In other business,

magistrates approved:

(1) The authorization to apply for a \$1,500 spay/neuter grant;

(2) The first reading of budget amendment No 22006 (concerning ARPA funds) for fiscal year 2021-2022 with total revenues and appropriations amounting to \$1,062,580.50;

(3) The appointment of Jamie Blake to the ambulance board for a 2-yr. term beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024;

See County, page 16A

Dragon District Renovations



Photos by Dale Curry

Work is progressing on the update to Green County High School. The renovation will completely change the look of the school for students and also for visitors for athletic events. "It's great to see the building progress," said GCHS Principal Ben Davenport. "It's an exciting time for our community as the new high school is taking shape. It makes me look forward to the days ahead."



Fans in the stands will see a brand new field when the Dragons begin their football and soccer seasons this fall. The new turf field comes with several advantages. "Turf is a game changer," GCHS football Coach Colt Phelps said, "It's faster, and we will no longer have to worry about practice with rain or spend most of Thursday painting the field before a home game. This will allow us to spend more time preparing for our opponents and spending time with our families." The turf is Matrix Helix turf and is being installed by Hellas Construction, who also is responsible for the home turf of the Dallas Cowboys and other high schools in Texas.



2022 Green County Fair

Photo by Shelley Bishop

The Green County Fair and Horse Show closed Saturday evening with a Thunder Over Green River Fireworks Show, a community favorite. The Fair Board considered the 2022 event a success, bringing in over 6,800 through the gate. Cars lined Legion Park Road for much of Saturday evening, with over 3,200 entries into the fair. Photos are spread throughout this issue.

Greensburg City Council approves 2022-23 budget

CLEVIS JEFFRIES
STAFF WRITER

In a special called meeting, Wednesday, June 15, the Greensburg City Council approved the first reading of budget ordinance 2022.0617 for fiscal year 2022-2023.

In another special called meeting on

Friday, June 17, the second reading of the budget ordinance for fiscal year 2022-2023 was approved by council members.

The new budget includes total revenues of \$4,299,464 and total appropriations of \$4,259,214 with a surplus of \$40,250.

It calls for a two percent cost-of-living

increase for all city employees.

"The Council and I feel we have taken judicious care in crafting this budget. We, with the careful guidance of Mrs. Nancy Stearman, have produced a balanced budget and have taken care of our employees in the process," said Mayor John Shuffett.

Senator Givens tapped as Co-chair of EMS Task Force

Senate President Pro Tempore David Givens, R-Greensburg, has been appointed by his colleagues in the Senate Majority Leadership to co-chair the Emergency Medical Services Task Force. The task force will conduct business through the 2022 Interim of the Kentucky General Assembly.

The EMS task force will study emergency medical services in Kentucky, which will include consideration of ways to improve the delivery of services to patients and comprehensive review of governing statutes and regulations, training requirements, EMS vehicle specifications, and the needs—or lack thereof—for the

certificate of need process for ambulance services and more.

"Making sure emergency services are capable of providing Kentuckians with responsive and quality care is of the utmost importance; despite any differences we have in the public policy arena, each and every one of us has been affected at some point in our lifetimes," Givens said.

"On this task force, we want to take an in-depth look at how we can get closer to reaching this goal. A lot of people have voiced concerns with the certificate of need determination, vehicle specifications and training concerns, so I look forward to working with all who have a vested interest



Senator David Givens

in public policy to see where we can improve."

The task force will report findings to the Legislative Research Commission by Dec. 1. for referral to the appropri-

ate standing committee with jurisdiction over the policy area.

"Senator Givens possesses characteristics as a lawmaker and member of Senate Leadership that naturally brings people together on complex issues, and he is able to get to the heart of challenges and identify solutions," Senate President Robert Stivers said. "David is thorough and deliberate and I know as co-chair, he will be essential to the success of this task force."

A legislative task force is also known as a special committee. They are established by the Legislative Research Commission and function primarily during the inter-

im, typically studying a specific topic. The Emergency Medical Services Task Force is one of six new task forces established to conduct business through the Interim.

Additional task forces include: The Bourbon Barrel Taxation Task Force — Created to study the current ad valorem tax rate structure for bourbon barrel sales in the commonwealth.

The Benefits Cliff Task Force — Created to review the impact of the public assistance benefits cliff on labor force participation, employment, wages, and benefit duration and usage in the commonwealth and develop public policy recommendations to sup-

port working families in transitioning off of public assistance into gainful employment and self-sufficiency.

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services Organizational Structure, Operations and Administrative Task Force — Created to study the organizational structure, operations and administration of programs, policies and procedures within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

The Early Childhood Education Task Force — created to conduct a comprehensive review of the commonwealth's early childhood caregiving and educational structures and operations.

See EMS, page 13A