Grow Greene County Gaming Corporation
Minutes Thursday, March 12, 2026
12:52 PM Journey Financial Education Room, Jefferson, Iowa

Our vision is to positively grow Greene County for families and businesses to thrive.
Grow Greene County Gaming Corporation's mission is to serve as a catalyst to leverage and coordinate resources, while providing opportunities for leadership and vision.

Present: Norm Fandel, Bob Allen, Kate Neese, Gabe Karber, Jared Taggart, Jerri Hedges, LeeAnna Ausberger, Lori DeMoss, Bill Fields, Matt Wetrich, Dawn Rudolph, Cindy Duhrkopf.
Absent: Mike Mumma,
Guest for Public Comment prior to the meeting: Mandy Krieger, Nancy Houska, Chet Butterfield, Sheriff Jack Willams.

Fandel called the meeting to order at 12:52 PM
Consent Items A motion was made by Allen and seconded by Fields to approve the Consent Items of the Agenda and Minutes of February 10, 2026. All were in favor; Consent Items were approved.
Public Comment Informal comments were provided by three potential grant recipients prior to the official start of the meeting. They included: Mandy Krieger, Nancy Houska, Chet Butterfield, Sheriff Jack Willams.

Financial
Financial Reports from Meriwether, Wilson and Company PLLC were presented by Taggart, Duhrkopf presented the current expenses. Karber made a motion to approve the financial reports, Hedges seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion passed.
Board members signed off that they had received a copy of the audit presented at last months meeting.
Legal Discussion-None.

Administrative
- Duhrkopf reported that the GGC computer is showing age and a new one will be purchased.
- 10 Year video in progress, it is on track to be completed by Awards Night..
- Awards Night planning is in place, Duhrkopf will reach out to the committee members for input.

Old Business
Neese shared that the Nominating Committee meet with three potential board members and all three would be a benefit to the board and serve areas of the county of out going board members. Demoss made a motion to accept the application of Megan Fouch, Libby Towers and Todd Hansen. Ausberger seconded the motion. All were in favor. Duhrkopf will notify them and ask them to proceed with having their Class A Application completed by May 1, 2026.

A motion was to made at 1:13 by Allen to suspend the meeting and move into the reviewing of the 2026, Neese seconded the motion. All were in favor.
Grants discussion took place.
A motion was made at 4:45 by Allen to reconvene the business meeting of Grow Greene County, DeMoss seconded the motion, all were in favor.

New Business-
The following motions were made and seconded regarding the denied funding or funding of grants for 2026.

Economic Development and School Grants

Organization	Project	Amount	1st	2nd	Passed	Abstained
Greene County Economic Development	Special Projects Fund	$100,000	Fields	Taggart	Yes	Allen, Fandel, Neese
Greene County Economic Development	Housing CHI 25 & 144	$100,000	Fields	Taggart	Yes	Allen, Fandel, Neese
Jefferson Maters	Business Incentives	$40,000.	Karber	DeMoss	Yes	None
Paton Churdan Schools	Annual Award	$30,000	Neese	Allen	Yes	None

Legacy Grants

Organization	Project		1st	2nd	Passed
Greene County Conservation Board	RRVT Resurfacing	Agree to extend the long term grant to begin in April of 2027 per the parameters outlined in an updated agreement.	Allen	Taggart	Yes
Paton Churdan Early Learning Center	New Building for Child Care	Agree to extend the long term grant per the parameter outlined in an updated agreement.	Allen	Karber	Yes

The agreement with the Greene County Fair Foundation is currently in place and the project is progressing per the original agreement.

Competitive Grants

Motion made by Taggart, seconded by Allen to not provide funding to the following grants:

Organization	Project
New Hope Village Foundation	IT Upgrade
Grand Junction City of	Grand Junction Center Security
Junction Township	Road Pavement Cemetery
25 CHI	Housing
144 CHI	Housing
Greene County Medical Center Foundation	MRI

All were in favor motion passed.

Karber made a motion to provide $100,000 to the Greene County Development Corporation New Housing Fund to support the 25 CHI, 144 CHI and other housing projects in the county. Ausberger seconded the motion. All were in favor with Allen, Fanel and Neese abstained.

Taggart made a motion to fund the following grant applications at the stated amounts; Hedges seconded the motion all were in favor motion passed.

Organization	Project	Funding Level
Grand Junction City of	Plow Truck	$40,000
The Highlander Corporation	Apt #6 Renovation	$50,000
50107 Summerfest	Band Shell	$35,000
School Soldiers Boys of Rippey	Remembering the SS of Rippey	$45,000
Greene County Sheriff	Body & Car Camera Update	$74,000
GCCC/ Jefferson Parks & Rec	Chautauqua Park Playground	$60,000
Grand Junction Fire & Rescue	Ambulance Replacement	$150,000
Scranton Alumni Association/CC	Elevator	$42,000

Future Meetings

April 7, 2026 Awards Night Set up at 4:00 PM Brief walk through at 5:30 People start arriving at 6:15, event at 7:00 PM

May 12, 2026 7:00 AM Journey Financial Education Room 121 E Lincoln Way, Jefferson

June 9, 2026 7:00 AM Journey Financial Education Room 121 E Lincoln Way, Jefferson

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Karber, seconded by DeMoss, all were in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.