Be It Remembered that the Greene County

 Board of Commissioners met in Regular

 Session on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at

 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners’ Room on

 the third floor of the Courthouse.

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Abrams.

The Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting.

Those present were: Nathan Abrams, Ed Michael, Rick Graves, and County Attorney Marvin Abshire.

**Re: Minutes**

The minutes of the regular meeting held on April 2, 2019 were approved on a motion made by Ed Michael. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Claims**

Ed Michael made a motion to approve the accounts payable claims submitted for payment on April 16, 2019. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Conflict of Interest Statement – Scott Oliphant**

The Commissioners recognized receipt of the Conflict of Interest Statement presented by local business owner Scott Oliphant by signing said statement. This is necessary because Mr. Oliphant serves on the Regional Sewer Board.

**Re: Covered Bridge Certification**

The Commissioners recognized and signed the Covered Bridge Certification that states that Greene County has one covered bridge. With this approval, the county will receive $1,850.00 from the state in order to maintain the bridge.

**Re: Nick Schneider – Grant Application Letter of Support**

Ed Michael made a motion to approve and sign the Letter of Support for Open Arms Christian Ministries regarding the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Communities Facilities Grant that they are applying for as presented by Nick Schneider. Mr. Schneider explained to the Commissioners that the application is being submitted in order to hopefully replace windows on the Lyons Facility. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: 2020 Census Preparation**

Rick Graves made a motion to allow the county auditor to initiate formation of a Complete Count Committee for Greene County in order to encourage participation of its residents in the 2020 Census. Ed Michael seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Opening of 2019 Wheel Tax Paving Bids**

After Nathan Abrams opened the bids for the 2019 wheel tax road paving projects and read them aloud, Rick Graves made a motion to table the bids until County Attorney Marvin Abshire and Highway Superintendent Roger Hamilton had time to review and award the bids as money becomes available. Ed Michael seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

The total amount of bids received are as follows:

Asphalt Resurfacing Project E&B Paving $733,255.25

Asphalt Resurfacing Project Milestone $763,647.50

Chip & Seal Project J H Rudolph & Company $1,020,719.60

Chip & Seal Project Milestone $1,229,000.00

**Re: Greene County – Hartman and Williams Letter of Engagement**

Ed Michael made a motion to approve the letter of engagement between the Board of Commissioners and Hartman and Williams, L.L.C. in order to assist the Sheriff’s Department with accounting services and training on bookkeeping for its employees. The amount charged will not exceed $5,000.00 unless both parties agree that added services are warranted. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Terms of this letter of engagement are incorporated by reference.

**Re: Citizen’s Concern**

A concerned citizen requested clarification on the proper use of Indiana’s homestead deduction. The county auditor told the citizen his office would look into the issue and contact him accordingly.

There being no further business to come before the board, Ed Michael made a motion to adjourn. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

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Edward L. Michael Nathan L. Abrams Rick Graves

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Matthew W. Baker, Auditor