Be It Remembered that the Greene County

Board of Commissioners met in Regular

Session on Tuesday, November 19, 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 November 6, 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 November 19, 2019. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Jeremy Wagler – Scheid Diesel Extravaganza**

Jeremy Wagler appeared before the Commissioners to explain how the Scheid Diesel Extravaganza will help the local economy over the 2 days in August of 2020 when it will be held near Lyons, Indiana. Mr. Wagler mentioned that there will be many meetings between his team, the Tourism Commission, the Sheriff’s Department, and others between now and the event itself, which is expected to draw many thousands of people from around the country. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Wagler for his information and proactive approach in preparations for the event.

**Re: County Assessor – Project Update**

County Assessor Dawn Abrams talked to the Commissioners about what her office is trying to do to help clean up problems regarding oil, gas, and mineral rights which have unpaid taxes on them. These appear on tax sales and are seldom purchased due to poor return on investment for any potential buyer. The Commissioners asked County Attorney Marvin Abshire and Ms. Abrams to notify both the landowners and mineral rights owners about these appearing on tax sales in order to help address the problems.

**Re: Greene County Sheriff – Sale of Excess Equipment**

Ed Michael made a motion to allow Sheriff Michael Hasler to sell excess kitchen equipment at the Jail that is worth less than $5,000.00 in total. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Greene County EMS – Request for Proposals (RFP)**

Ed Michael made a motion to table the 2 request for proposals that were submitted by Seals Ambulance and Physicians Ambulance Service respectively. This will give the Commissioners and County Attorney Marvin Abshire time to review the proposal and revisit the matter at a later meeting. Rick Graves seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Terms of these RFP’s are incorporated by reference.

**Re: I.T. Director – Fiber Optic Cable Connection**

Rick Graves made a motion to approve the purchase of fiber optic cable connection to 44 South Franklin Street which will soon house the Public Defender Office. This one-time payment in the amount of $9,900.00 to Clawson Communications Inc., CCI Bid No. 190368 will be paid from the Greene County Building Fund. Ed Michael seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Terms of this bid are incorporated by reference.

**Re: Cyber Security Planning**

Rick Graves made a motion to table the possibility of purchasing a cyber security protection plan from Fire Eye, a company that is promoted on the state level, until more information could be gathered accordingly. Ed Michael seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

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