Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Greene County Solid Waste Management District May 27, 2020

The regular meeting of the Greene County Solid Waste Management District was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Greene County Courthouse on May 27, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Present were board members Rick Graves, Ed Michael, Nathan Abrams, Jeff Sparks, Larry Watters Sr., John Wilkes, and Brent Murray. Also present were County Attorney Marvin Abshire, Matt Miller, and Kenny DePasse.

The meeting was called to order by Ed Michael.

The first item of business was review and approval of the minutes from the February 26, 2020 regular meeting. It is noted that the March and April, 2020 meetings were cancelled. After review, a motion was made by Nathan Abrams and seconded by Brent Murray to waive the reading and approve the minutes as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

Matt Miller presented financial statements for the months of February, March and April, 2020 along with year-end comparisons since 2017. The cash balance as of April 30, 2020 was \$26,824.58. Based on the current expenses of the District, Matt Miller predicts the District will have a shortfall in the approximate sum of \$25,000.00 by the end of 2020. The board discussed employee cuts, raising the user fees and trash disposal fees. John Wilkes noted that Greene County's user fees are well below the surrounding counties. Raising these fees would not alleviate the 2020 shortfall. The board further discussed approaching the County Council regarding their willingness to subsidize the district on a yearly basis. A motion was made by Nathan Abrams and seconded by John Wilkes to approve the financial statement and claims docket. The motion was approved unanimously.

Request for Quotes and Specifications for recycling and dumpster disposal fees were circulated with a due date of March 18, 2020. The board received two quotes, one from Republic Services of Indiana, LP and the other from Wallace Brothers Disposal Inc. After review of the proposals the board determined that clarification of a few questions posed by the board was needed. A motion was

made by Rick Graves and seconded by Nathan Abrams to authorize Brent Murray and Ed Michael to reach out to both companies for clarification and to have authority to act upon selecting a quote on behalf of the District. The motion passed unanimously.

The Solid Waste Linton site is seeing 8-15 people per day. Since that site quit taking recycling, the numbers are down. Brent Murray suggested to the board that they hire a new part time temporary employee to fill in for an employee who is on leave. There was also discussion on reducing the hours of operation at both sites. A motion was made by Nathan Abrams and seconded by Larry Watters to appoint Brent Murray and John Wilkes to make the temporary hire to work 20 hours per week at the Linton site. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Nathan Abrams and seconded by Brent Murray to allow the board president to adjust hours of operation at the Switz City site as he sees fit. The motion passed unanimously.

The next item of business was the Solid Waste Advisory Committee of Citizens. The Board will continue to take an active role in soliciting committee members.

Due to COVID-19 closures, restricted hours and restricted collections, customer and revenue accounts were down. Reports were not available from either location, but Ed Michael stated that the Switz City site had 156 customers on the first day of reopening.

Prior to the meeting, two IDEM inspection reports were circulated to the board members. The first property is located at 485 S 750 W Lyons, Indiana and the results of the inspection indicated violations were observed and will be referred to the Land Enforcement Section. The second report involved Worthington Landfill. A quarterly corrective action groundwater sampling at the facility was taken and no additional action is required at this time.

The next item of business was scheduling the annual Tire Amnesty Day. The District received a \$3,000.00 grant from the Health Department for tire amnesty. A motion was made by Brent Murray and seconded by Rick Graves to select July 25, 2020 as Tire Amnesty Day to be held at the Greene County Recycling Center located at 4316 W. Base Road, Switz City, Indiana. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Nathan Abrams and seconded by John Wilkes to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED this 24th day of June, 2020.

GREENE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, by:

Rick Graves, Secretary