Minutes of the Special Meeting of the

Greene County Emergency Medical Services Board August 3, 2020

The special meeting of the Greene County Emergency Medical Services Board was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Greene County Courthouse on August 3, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. Present in person were Ed Michael, Joe Huntington, and Mike Hasler. Present by telephone were Brad Norton and Troy Gaither. Also present in person were the Board's attorney Marvin Abshire and Ambulance Service Director Doug Hall.

The special meeting was called to order by President Ed Michael.

The first item of business was the purchase of an ALS non-transport vehicle. The board previously agreed that it would be an asset to the county to add a non-transport vehicle to the Ambulance Service so that Director Doug Hall could respond to emergencies when he is in close proximity and other ambulances were on other runs or during times of low staffing. It would also benefit the county in the event of a mass casualty or as an additional response unit for serious accidents when crews could be overwhelmed. The vehicle will be equipped with everything that is on an ambulance except for a cot. The ambulance department already has the necessary equipment except for lights and a lockable cabinet. The cost of said vehicle is anticipated not to exceed \$40,000.00. The cost will be offset by operating as an ALS instead of BLS. Director Doug Hall will be the sole driver unless he is on vacation. A motion was made by Brad Norton and seconded by Mike Hasler to approve the purchase of an ALS non-transport vehicle. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed 5-0.

The next item of business was discussion of raising PRN medic pay to \$17.00 per hour. The current hourly rate of pay is \$15.00 for a PRN medic for 24-hour shifts. Director Doug Hall advised the Board that he increased the extra hire line item amount on his department's 2021 budget to cover this cost.

Ambulance Service Director Doug Hall advised the Board that he received a letter from the Greene County Foundation notifying the Department that it is the recipient of a COVID-19 grant in the sum of \$20,500.00. The grant monies will assist with training equipment, pedi-mate seats and video laryngoscopes.

The Greene County Ambulance Service also received notice of intent of a monetary donation from a local ladies' organization. The amount of the donation is unknown.

The final item of business was short-term ambulance loans to Sullivan County. In the past, the Greene County Board of Commissioners and the City of Sullivan, Indiana, Fire Department entered into a Memorandum of Understanding whereby Greene County agreed to loan an unequipped ambulance to the Sullivan County Fire Department for a period of time when its ambulance was unavailable due to repairs. Sullivan County ended up not needing the ambulance after all, but recently had a need for a loaner ambulance due to unexpected repairs. A motion was made by Mike Hasler and seconded by Troy Gaither to authorize Board President Ed Michael and Ambulance Director Doug Hall to loan an ambulance to the City of Sullivan at their discretion in the future. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed 5-0.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Joe Huntington and seconded by Brad Norton to adjourn. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed 5-0.

APPROVED this 15th day of September, 2020.

Marvin R. Abshire, Secretary