Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the

Greene County Emergency Medical Service Board March 21, 2023

The regular meeting of the Greene County Emergency Medical Service Board was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Greene County Courthouse on March 21, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. Present in person were Ed Michael, George Dallaire, Troy Gaither, Brad Norton, and Ron Lehman. Also present in person were the Board's attorney Marvin Abshire and Director Doug Hall.

Ed Michael called the meeting to order.

The first item of business was review and approval of the minutes from the January 17, 2023 regular meeting. The February 21, 2023 meeting was cancelled. George Dallaire moved, and Brad Norton seconded, to waive the reading and approve the minutes as presented. Ron Lehman abstained since he was absent from the last meeting. The motion passed 4-0-1. George Dallaire commented that Center Township will have no space for an ambulance as originally thought.

Director Doug Hall updated the Board as follows:

- 1. Revenue for January 2023 was \$184,345.41.
- 2. Run volume for January was 320 calls.
- 3. Revenue for February 2023 was \$144,356.29.
- 4. Run volume for February was 324 calls.
- 5. E-2 is back in service after ice storm slide-off due.
- 6. No other major repairs were reported.
- 7. The ambulance mileage report was provided.

The next item of business was discussion of paramedic pay/recruitment. Doug Hall reported the Ambulance Service has four open paramedic positions, with no prospects in the pipeline. Currently, the shifts are covered with overtime pay. Filling the positions comes down to money. Doug is working on wage comparisons to other counties of the same size or in our area. Doug believes the full-time PRN rate should be added to the salary ordinance. Other suggestions for retaining employees were: increase longevity pay; increase hourly wage; provide tuition reimbursement; increase clothing allowance; and improve station conditions at Jasonville and Linton.

Doug Hall reported the community paramedic may begin seeing patients this week. The vehicle is not yet certified for ALS but is pending. Greene County is waiting on state reimbursement for all expense incurred.

Doug Hall received a hardship application and supporting documents for a balance owed after Medicare has paid. George Dallaire moved, and Ron Lehman seconded, to accept what Medicaid has paid as payment in full. The motion passed 5-0.

There being no further business, Ron Lehman moved, and George Dallaire seconded, to adjourn. The motion passed 5-0.

APPROVED this 18th day of April, 2023.

Marvin R. Abshire, Secretary