Be It Remembered that the Greene County

Board of Commissioners met in Regular

Session on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 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**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 21, 2023. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Claims**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the accounts payable claims submitted for payment on April 4, 2023. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Payroll**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the payroll claims submitted for payment on April 4, 2023. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Suspension of Regular Meeting- Ore Branch Property Public Hearing**

Nathan Abrams suspended the regular meeting in order to conduct a public hearing regarding the sale of the Ore Branch Church property. He asked if there was anyone there who wanted to speak for or against the sale.

Jerome Quigley spoke to the Commissioners about his concerns pertaining to the property itself. He had 3 key points that he wanted to present to the Commissioners. Those being: human concerns, building deficiencies, and ground deficiencies.

After Mr. Quigley spoke, there being no other public comments, Commissioner Nathan Abrams adjourned the public hearing and reconvened the regular meeting.

**Re: Ore Branch Property**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to give final approval to offer the Ore Branch property for sale and to accept bids for the property. The deadline to receive the bids would be April 28th, 2023, and the bids would be reviewed and considered at the Commissioners meeting on May 3rd, 2023.

**Re: Greene County IT Department- Matrix Contract**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the Matrix proposal in the amount of $9225.00 and enter into an agreement with Matrix, to provide Voice VLAN services including but not limited to, network redesign and mapping directed at improving both telephone and video quality throughout the courthouse and Public Defenders’ Office. The specific goal of the work is to address telecommunications failures at the Public Defenders’ Office and quality of service issues with the video systems between courts and jail. This project will be funded from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Ratification of the Declaration of Disaster Emergency**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2023-05 consenting to a seven-day extension of the Commissioners’ President’s Declaration of Disaster Emergency. Commissioner Abrams signed a Declaration of Disaster Emergency related to storm damage on April 3rd, and without benefit of the resolution, the declaration would only be valid for 7 days. The Disaster Emergency Declaration is the first step for any county residents who were affected by the storms to qualify for any FEMA money. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Courthouse Repairs**

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to approve sending requests for quotes to contractors believed to be qualified to to repair a failing lintel in the northwest corner of the courthouse. The contractors interested can reach out to Tim Barker and Arsee Engineering for questions and they can submit the quotes to County Attorney Marvin Abshire. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Concrete Quotes (Jail and Event Center)**

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael Seconded, to approve signing contracts with the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for concrete projects at the Jail and at the Community Event Center. Richard D. Wagler Construction was the lowest bidder in each case. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Resolution 2023-04 (Amendment to County Fiscal Recovery Plan)**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve Resolution 2023-04, the Eighth Amended Fiscal Recovery Plan. This amendment adds to the plan use of $600,000.00 to help the highway department purchase 4 new dump trucks for 2024, under the category of providing government services. The highway department will also contribute to the purchase of the dump trucks. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Commissioner Board Appointments- Hospital Board**

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to reappoint John Vehslage & Harry Bedwell to the hospital board of trustees, for 2-year terms. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Appointment to SIDC Landbank**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to appoint Rick Graves to represent Greene County on the SIDC Landbank board. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Economic Development**

Brianne Jerrels provided her periodic economic development update. A developer has shown interest in building storage units at Progress Pointe. In the Westcott Subdivision, four housing units are leased and a fifth is pre-leased pending completion of construction. Brianne also offered her help to Commissioner Rick Graves in his role with the SIDC Landbank Board.

**Re: Sheriff Dallaire**

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to approve Sheriff Dallaire’s purchase of four new antenna mounts, for radio antennas to be mounted to towers in our area. The water company notified Sheriff Dallaire of inspection safety issues related to antennas and cabling that need to be addressed. The towers will be undergoing maintenance in the near future, which is a good time to replace antenna mounts. At least two mounts are anticipated to be replaced and two will be retained in stock for future tower maintenance. Motion passed 3-0.

Sheriff Dallaire advised the commissioners that two more sheriff vehicles have been damaged. One was damaged in an on-duty wreck and the other was damaged in a tornado. Both vehicles are expected to be a total loss.

**Re: Dr. Pete Powers- Greene County Health Department**

Dr. Powers updated the commissioners on a septic installer symposium that the Greene County Health Department held at the Community Event Center. 61 septic installers attended and the health department gave all the septic installers a survey. Dr Powers also introduced the new environmental specialist, Ray Miller. Mr. Miller previously worked for an excavating company, so he has experience with excavating and septic systems. The Commissioners welcomed Mr. Miller to his new position.

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

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Nathan L. Abrams Edward L. Michael Rick Graves

Heather Perry, Auditor