Be It Remembered that the Greene County

Board of Commissioners met in Regular

Session on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, 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.

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 February 6, 2024. Motion passed 3-0.

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the minutes of the executive session held on January 31, 2024. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Claims**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the claims submitted for Tuesday, February 20, 2024. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Payroll**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve two payroll dockets submitted for Friday, February 9, 2024. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Community Corrections (Excess Vehicle Sale)**

At the previous meeting, the Commissioners approved to advertise and sell a surplus vehicle, namely: 2006 Chevy Tahoe Z-71, 126,000 miles, for a minimum bid of $6,500.00. A Notice of Offering and Opening of Bids for Surplus Vehicle was advertised and one sealed bid was received from Bob Walters Linton Motors Inc. in the amount of $6,751.00. Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to accept the bid. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Highway Department (2024 Paving Bids Opening)**

Commissioner Nathan Abrams opened and presented the following bids for 2024 Community Crossing Matching Grant projects and 2024 Wheel Tax projects:

**Community Crossing Bids:**

E & B Paving: $1,497,453.25 for the total amount.

Milestone: $1,348,712.50 for the total amount.

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to take the Community Crossing bids under advisement pending review and recommendation of the county attorney and highway superintendent, to authorize the highway superintendent to make awards to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, and to award the bids as money becomes available. Motion passed 3-0.

**Wheel Tax Bids:**

E&B Paving: Project #1 $ 121,840.00

Project #2 $ 70,938.00

Project #3 $ 54,548.00

Project #4 $ 141,318.00

Project #5 $ 340,718.35

Project #6 $ 114,979.00

Project #7 $ 247,482.70

Project #8 $ 174,156.00

Total $1,293,180.05

Milestone: Project #1 $ 110,320.00

Project #2 $ 65,025.00

Project #3 $ 47,612.50

Project #4 $ 123,300.00

Project #5 $ 326,915.00

Project #6 $ 101,137.50

Project #7 $ 263,220.00

Project #8 $ 159,862.50

Total $1,197,392.50

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to take the Wheel Tax bids under advisement pending review and recommendation of the county attorney and highway superintendent, to authorize the highway superintendent to make awards to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, and to award the bids as money becomes available. Motion passed 3-0.

**WTH Parcel Maintenance Agreement**

The Parcel Maintenance Agreement between Greene County and WTH Technology, Inc. expires March 31, 2024. Greene County utilizes WTH software (the Think GIS program) for mapping and parcel management of real estate parcels within Greene County. The maintenance agreement will provide for the monthly parcel split updates on the GIS parcel layer. The contract price for the WTH portion of the parcel updates shall be a fixed fee in the sum of $750.00 per month and shall commence April 1, 2024, and terminate on March 31, 2024. Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to approve the Parcel Maintenance Agreement as presented. Motion passed 3-0.

**Comcast Upgrade Agreement**

IT Director Michael Sherrow recommends the county upgrade the county’s internet package, which will increase internet speed by 10 times for a small additional cost. Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the Comcast Business Service Order Agreement and authorize Michael Sherrow to sign the contract. Motion passed 3-0.

**Matrix Integration (Annual Maintenance)**

Prior to the meeting, a Professional Services Agreement was circulated with a quote from Matrix Integration, LLC, for one-year Hypercore licenses for SCALE Computing in the total amount of $18,374.43. Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded to approve the purchase and authorize Nathan Abrams to negotiate and sign the Professional Services Agreement. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Commissioner Board Appointments**

On February 12, 2024, the Linton City Council nominated Jathan Wright to serve another one-year term on the Greene County Economic Development Commission. Pursuant to IC 26-7-12-7, Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to accept the nomination and reappoint Jathan Wright to the Greene County Economic Development Commission. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Elected Official Comments**

Sheriff George Dallaire requested permission to buy three police interceptors to be paid from County Corrections fund. George provided a quote on the three vehicles, safety systems, and Shad’s Signs for lettering on vehicles totaling approximately $168,064.15. Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to approve the purchases. Motion passed 3-0.

Sheriff Dallaire also noted it was recently discovered that the radio building with tower at the jail was never on the back-up generator. A 20-hour power outage recently occurred, and the batteries did not last that long. The department is moving the circuit over to the back-up generator at a cost of $700.00.

In closing, George Dallaire noted IT specialist Johnny Sherer recently learned that Matrix no longer provides telephone sales and service. The Sheriff’s Department will look into another service provider for its phones.

Veterans Service Officer Richard Nichols introduced new hire Veterans Service Officer Assistant Criss Sparks. Criss brings a law enforcement background from five states.

**Re: Public Comments**

Thomas Wheelock introduced himself and noted he lives at Calvertville Road and Camp Branch Road. Mr. Wheelock stated when it snows, the road is not cleared from Calvertville Road to Newark from Shingle Mill Road. He is concerned about lack of plowing. Mr. Wheelock further expressed his appreciation for the newly paved road and replaced culverts, but stated as a second concern, when the road was paved, it was not rolled properly, and his driveway is now a foot below the road when it was above the road before paving. Ed Michael noted employees have changed and he believes the plowing route confusion has already been remedied. Ed Michael stated he will inspect the area where the road meets Mr. Wheelock’s driveway.

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