Be It Remembered that the Greene County

 Board of Commissioners met in Regular

 Session on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, 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, Rick Graves and Ed Michael.

**Re: Minutes**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 20, 2025. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Claims**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the claims submitted for Tuesday, June 3, 2025. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Ride Solution (Budget Request)**

Becky Guthrie from Ride Solutions presented the Commissioners with the request for more funding for the 2026 Budget. Guthrie is asking for a $500.00 increase from the last budget. Guthrie stated that Ride Solutions still provides the same services for Greene and Sullivan Counties as they have in the past, and the cost of everything is on the rise.

The Commissioners stated that they would take the request into consideration and thanked Becky for coming to the meeting.

**Re: Covered Bridge Certification**

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to approve the Covered Bridge Certification for 2025. This is an annual certification that must be signed by the Commissioners. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Economic Development**

Economic Development Director Brianne Jerrels introduced her two new employees. Katelyn Phillips is working as Brianne’s assistant and Aubrey Banning started today as Brianne’s intern.

Brianne gave a brief update stating that she connected First Group with American Structurepoint.

Jerrels stated that the Housing Committee did meet again, and right now they are trying to figure out the stakeholders and identify ideal properties.

The Commissioners congratulated Brianne on being fully staffed and thanked her for the update.

**Re: Elected Officials and Department Head Comments**

Sheriff Dallaire stated that during the aftermath of the tornado that took place on May 16, 2025, Dallaire has seen the best of the best from 90% of all the first responders, fire departments, volunteer fire departments, law enforcement from ISP and Bloomington PD, Knox County, Sullivan County, Daviess County, Greene County Highway Department, INDOT, and REMC. It was an amazing thing to see the community come together and help each other. Sheriff Dallaire wanted to recognize everyone and to thank them.

The Commissioners thanked Sheriff Dallaire for what he did during the disaster as well.

**Re: Public Comments-**

Several people affected by the tornado came to the meeting to express concerns, get questions answered, and to find out about services being offered that they may not know about. Most of the questions were concerning clean up and if there would be any assistance from local, state, and federal agencies. Some of the people from the gallery expressed concerns about there not being enough services offered to individuals who had lost everything or that were elderly and couldn’t do the clean up required at their residence. Some were concerned about their friends and neighbors who didn’t have family to help them. The Commissioners, along with Greene County Health Administrator Shari Lewis, and Sheriff George Dallaire answered as many questions as they could. The Commissioners announced that they are planning an After-Action meeting to take place soon to try to make more services available for the individuals affected by the tornado.

County Attorney Marvin Abshire added to the discussion that the individuals that were affected by the tornado can file an application in the Assessor’s office for tax relief from their taxes. The form would go into effect for the taxes due in 2026, since taxes are in arrears, with assessment modified as of January 1, 2025. Destroyed mobile homes are eligible for tax relief this year. Abshire stated that the form can be found online on the State of Indiana’s website, but he would have a link added to the Greene County website by later today.

**Re: Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Rick Graves thanked everyone for pitching in and helping.

Commissioner Nathan Abrams stated that paving of roads is still taking place, and asked everyone for their patience.

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

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Heather Perry, Auditor