Be It Remembered that the Greene County

Board of Commissioners met in Regular

Session on Tuesday, October 15, 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, Rick Graves, and Ed Michael.

**Re: Minutes**

Ed Michael moved, and Nathan Abrams seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 1, 2024. Motion passed 2-0.

**Re: Rick Graves came into the meeting at 9:34 am**

**Re: Claims**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the claims submitted for Tuesday, October 15, 2024. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Payroll**

Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to approve the payroll docket submitted for Friday, October 18, 2024. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Mainstream**

Mark Gabriel from Mainstream Fiber Networks requested the Commissioners provide a letter of support for BEAD grant opportunities in order to provide high speed broadband to unserved and underserved areas in Greene County. Three rounds of grant awards will be announced by the end of 2025. Ed Michael moved, and Rick Graves seconded, to provide a letter of support for Mainstream Fiber Networks. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Sheriff- Quality Correctional Care**

Sheriff George Dallaire first noted that his department has been happy with Quality Correctional Care (QCC) and its help with a grant program to facilitate mental health services for inmates. The County also has a contract with QCC to code and scrub medical bills and process services provided to inmates. Sheriff Dallaire was notified by QCC that its fees may increase, which could cause the county to lose 12% of its savings. Sheriff Dallaire is seeking more information on the matter and will provide an update as he gets it.

**Re: Economic Development**

Economic Development Director Brianne Jerrels came before the Commissioners to give an update to what is happening in the area. Brianne stated that the last three weeks have been busy with new project submissions, working on inventory for Greene County, and preparing for the Housing Committee meeting that she has next week. Brianne stated that she is working on housing workshops to try to strive for a higher population and address workforce needs in our area. Brianne closed by saying that she is pursuing junior achievements in Greene County, and we would learn more about that project in a couple of weeks. The Commissioners thanked Brianne for the update.

**Re: County Attorney**

Rick Graves moved, and Ed Michael seconded, to approve a “Goods and Installation Services Agreement,” between Greene County and Everywhere Signs, LLC. This agreement is for the design and fabrication of a lighted monument sign and installation, on a base provided by the owner, for the Greene County EMS Facility in Linton for the fixed sum of $8,200.00. Motion passed 3-0.

**Re: Doug Childs- UDWI REMC**

UDWI REMC Chief Executive Officer Doug Childs came before the Commissioners to state that he was excited to be partnering with Mainstream and thanked the Commissioners, the board of REMC, and REMC’s members for getting the project started.

**Re: Public Comments**

Linton resident George Ferree appeared before the Commissioners to request the Commissioners adopt a county-wide noise ordinance to address excessive noise from a generator running at all hours at a neighboring property. Mr. Ferree also addressed concerns about raw sewage and excessive vehicle traffic at the neighboring property and noted he has made a complaint with the Sheriff’s Department. Commissioner Rick Graves and Sheriff George Dallaire stated that this is the first time hearing about the issue, but noted they would investigate the matter. The Commissioners further noted raw sewage would need to be addressed by the Health Department.

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