

Commissioner Meeting
February 22, 2016

Chairman Brian Hind called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Ben Fox, Cole Conard, and Shannon Gant, Deputy Clerk. Paul Dean, County Counselor arrived at 9:48 a.m.

Commissioner Conard made a motion to approve February 16, 2016 minutes. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reported that crews installed a culvert across U Road, just east of Eureka; they moved a dozer out to the landfill; have been working on a small wood top bridge on 30th; reported that an emergency situation occurred last week where they couldn't get a hold of an employee because of poor cell phone reception, Lowe asked commissioners about the progress of getting radio communications restored to Road and Bridge; Commissioner Hind replied they were getting closer but until then they could consider using the Fire frequency or Ambulance until the tower is ready; Lowe reported that one of the graders had a flat tire and he called CAT to see about getting a spare wheel to have on hand and was quoted \$1700 for just the wheel, with no tire, he is continuing to check around for cheaper bids; Commissioner Hind asked if they were going to chip/seal and Lowe replied that he will get a hold of APAC regarding pricing; the commissioners and Lowe discussed several roads that would be prospects for the project.

Commissioner Conard made a motion to approve the CMB license for Tri-Corner dated 2-26-2016. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The commissioners viewed a Certificate of Liability for Vinson Tree Care.

Jami Clark, Appraiser, presented the commissioners with the 2016 Maintenance Contract from R & S Digital in the amount of \$7024. Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve the 2016 Maintenance Contract from R & S Digital. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Clark and the commissioners had a discussion on the inaccuracy of GPS data when it comes to using navigational devices to find an address. Appraiser Jami Clark also informed the commissioners that the State jAg values have increased again. Clark explained the values are based on an eight year average and depending on the soil type, the rates increase anywhere from 7% to 30%. Clark commented that land rental rates were a factor in driving the prices up.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve the contract with Advantage Computer for IT services. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox spoke to several other providers inquiring about fiber optic options. AT&T gave a quote of \$1365.25 per month with no charge for installation. District Court, who handles their Internet contract separately, was also having problems with Mediacom, and would soon be transitioning their software that would require higher Internet capability as well. Commissioner Fox asked AT&T if they would be willing to provide two 50M circuits and split the installation cost in two so that the courthouse and District Court could both use it. AT&T was unwilling to accommodate that scenario. Efforts to resolve the issues with Mediacom, the current provider that the courthouse and District Court both use, have not been successful. Commissioner Fox told Mediacom that the county was not interested in signing another contract with them until the issues have been resolved. Mediacom informed Commissioner Fox that the current contract rate of \$255.90 per month changed to \$315.90 per month without a contract. Commissioner Fox then talked to KsFiberNet. Their rate was \$475 per month with no installation fee and they would be willing to install two 50M circuits and possibly reduce the monthly rate if the county would pay part of the installation fee. They are willing to provide two circuits and lower the monthly fee to \$325 for the courthouse and the same for District Court, with the one-time payment of \$5500 for installation, to be shared. KsFiberNet said that at this time, they just needed a letter of intent from commissioners to proceed with plans.

Shannon Gant, Deputy Clerk, informed the commissioners that she was contacted by ECIVIS and was told that the county owed for another contract period because they had not told the company 30 days before their contract expired that they did not wish to do business with them anymore. The due date for this was December 31, 2015. The commissioners asked for Paul Dean to take the contact information and handle this issue.

Levi Vinson, Emergency Preparedness Director, received an email from FEMA regarding a new pilot program they rolled out to help with entities receiving their funding quicker. Vinson said he received a lot of complaints about the reporting process and several of the townships have reported that they would not apply again for assistance. Vinson also updated the commissioners on information he received from KDEM about NIMS training for emergency disasters. Previously he had discussed the importance of the commissioners and some of the other County employees being trained in the event that we would have an emergency in the first 24 to 48 hours the county would be responsible for handling the disaster before receiving help. Some of the training is online but he reported it was possible that a trainer could come to the county for a two day training session to make it easier for employees, as a couple of the classes are two-day, eight hours a day sessions.

EMS Director, Brian Mongeau, said that he will be meeting with the Fall River Fire Department about what it would take to have EMS staff in their area. He has received an inquiry from Severy as well. Mongeau told commissioners every five years, the CPR guidelines are updated and their upgrades to AED machines so before buying the machines for the Sheriff's vehicles, he'd like to wait until the newer, upgraded AEDs are on the market. Mongeau reported he has received more interest about another EMT training class and has contacted Butler County, however they do not have an instructor available. Mongeau also contacted Flint Hills Technical College in Emporia that was told that they do not have a class available until next year. Mongeau is continuing to look into other training options as he would like to get a class going soon.

Commissioner Hind made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for personnel with Brian Mongeau, EMS Director. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

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Sheriff Rusty Bitler mentioned that R & S Digital brought a contract in the amount of \$5081 to them for addressing that would work with the Appraiser's office system. Rusty said he would call and get more information and come back in the next week or so. This system would go along with the next GEN 1 system.

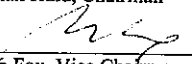
At 10:43 a.m. Commissioner Hind made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

February 29th- Next Commission Meeting - 9:00 a.m.



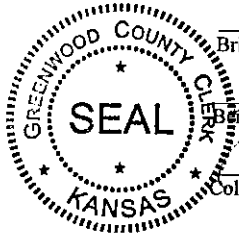
Brian Hind, Chairman

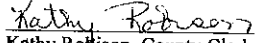


Ben Fox, Vice Chairman



Cole Conard, Member



ATTEST: 
Kathy Robinson, County Clerk