

Commissioner Meeting
February 9, 2015

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

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the February 2, 2015 minutes. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Roger Lowe, Road & Bridge Supervisor reported to the commissioners that the crews have been working on various equipment, hauling rock and installing tin horns. He also mentioned that a new person has been hired for landfill and recycle work and operating the sign truck. Lowe also reported that the south side of the bridge below the Eureka Lake Spillway is settling and there is a large crack in the asphalt. The commissioners agreed to visit the site after their meeting adjourned. Last week the commissioners received a memo from the Kansas Department of Transportation regarding their federal funds. Greenwood County was awarded \$ 108,569.77 in federal funds for 2015.

The commissioners reviewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve abatements in the amount of \$115.96. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve and sign the contract with Schlotterbeck and Burns, L.L.C. for auditing and budgeting services. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Eureka City Administrator, Ian Martell, spoke with the commissioners about using the landfill to dispose of dilapidated properties demolished by the city. In the past the city has been able to use the landfill for free, minus a \$1 per ton fee for state tipping. Martell reported that with the change in personnel at the Road & Bridge Department they were not familiar with the arrangement that the city and county had made and asked Martell to speak with the commissioners for approval. The commissioners agreed to waive the fees and keep the same agreement, only charging the city \$1 per ton.

Commissioner Conard talked to the board about a tornado/fire siren that needs installed in Severy. Currently, the siren is mounted on a 6-foot hedge pole. To get it hooked up and put on a pole the city will need to pay \$3,000. Commissioner Conard made a motion to approve paying the City of Severy \$1,500 from B911 funds for the siren. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox gave an update on the internet situation explaining that the courthouse's internet speeds are much lower than they need them to be and the county employees are basically "beating the internet to death". The courthouse currently uses A T & T internet for \$99 per month, which covers 14 mbps download speed and 1 mbps upload speed. A T & T had reported that was the highest speeds they could offer. Mediacom will offer a one-year contract with 50 mbps download speed and 5 mbps upload speed for \$249.95 per month, with a \$99.95 installation fee. Commissioner Hind made a motion to sign the one-year Mediacom contract. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox also told the board that Advantage Computers is looking into a different phone service for the courthouse. County Clerk, Kathy Robison, reported that the phone bill had increased by almost \$700 dollars and is now almost \$4,000 per month with A T & T. The option Advantage is suggesting is called VOIP and it uses internet for the phone.

Commissioner Conard made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for legal with County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

The commissioners took a 7 minute break.

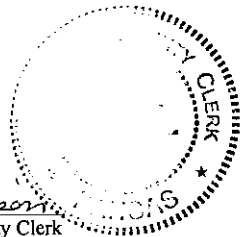
Commissioner Conard made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for personnel with County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

At 11:45AM Commissioner Conard made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

February 17th - Next Commission Meeting - 9:00 a.m.



ATTEST: Kathy Robison
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Cole Conard
Cole Conard, Chairman
Brian Hind
Brian Hind, Vice Chairman
Ben Fox
Ben Fox, Member