Chairman Ben Fox called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Vice Chairman Roy Ballard, Chuck Spradlin, Robert Joe Morgan, Paul Hodge, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Kathy Robison.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hodge moved to approve December 6, 2021 Minutes. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge report:

- The fence between Jack Lindamood’s property and the Greenwood County Landfill is reportedly in poor shape. Darrel noted that Lindamood approached him with a proposal for shared costs of fence repair. Commissioners came to the consensus that the County would help with supplies for said fence repair.

- A thirty inch by forty foot culvert is needed for an ongoing project at a watershed in the county. Darrel presented two bids; the lesser of the two is from J & J Draining in the amount of $2,390. Spradlin moved to approve the purchase of said culvert in the amount of $2,390. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

- A department vehicle that is in Winfield for repairs was originally quoted at $20,158.87 for a rebuilt engine. Darrel reported that rather than a rebuilt engine, a new engine was utilized at a cost of $21,188.76. A difference of $1,029.89. Spradlin moved to approve the payment of vehicle repairs in the amount of $21,188.76 to be paid from Recycle fund. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners reviewed Treasurer’s report. No decisions were made.

Commissioners reviewed monthly fee reports. No decisions were made.

One bid was presented for the annual year-end dinner for county employees. Lo-mar presented a bid for an estimated 100 plates, at $14 per plate; menu to include roast beef, mashed potatoes, vegetable, roll, salad, dessert, water, tea, plates, cups and plastic ware. Fox moved to approve the bid from Lo-mar. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Fox moved to approve a CMB license for Kerosene; the application will now be sent to the township board for approval. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Spradlin moved to approve payables in the amount of $110,328.82. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Hodge moved to approve payroll in the amount of $142,635.24. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Health Department Director Vicki Ross approached seeking permission to move to four, ten hour days beginning in 2022, rather than the current schedule of five, eight hour days. Ross reported that Health Departments in other counties had reported that they receive ten hour holiday and sick pay and inquired if that could be included with the switch to ten hour days. Ross would like this policy to apply to the Road and Bridge department as they are also on a four day work schedule. It was noted by County Clerk Kathy Robison that the Road and Bridge department currently receives pay for eight hours during a week with a holiday. Spradlin recommended a three month trial period to begin in January 2022, Ross agreed. Spradlin moved to approve a three month trial run for a four day work-week schedule for the Health Department to begin in January 2022. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Appraiser’s office employee Shawna Griffitts presented employee verification for Ashley Pettigrew at a pay rate of $12 per hour. Fox moved to approve employee verification for Pettigrew. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Griffitts reported having received a second bid from Copy Products on a copier that was discussed at a previous meeting; the first bid was from Digital Office Systems out of Wichita in the amount of $2,935. Fox moved to approve accepting the bid from Digital Office Systems in the amount of $2935; with a stipulation that the company omit the costs of annual updates. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Ambulance Director Brian Mongeau would like to increase service fee charges, as the department currently is, “leaving money on the table.” Mongeau is slated to gather more information and present it at a future meeting.

Ballard moved to approve a five minute executive session to discuss legal matters with County Counselor Paul Dean. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Regular meeting to reconvene at 10:07 a.m. No decisions were made.
Sandy Dickerson, with the Greenwood County Hospital inquired if the commission had a hospital board member in mind. Fox responded that he hopes to have someone selected by the end of next week.

Ballard moved to adjourn at 10:08 a.m. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST: Kathy Roberson, County Clerk

Ben Fox, Chairman
Roy Ballard, Vice Chairman
Chuck Spradin, Member
Paul Hodge
Robert Joe Morgan, Member