Commissioner Meeting  
April 10, 2017

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

No Commission Meeting Minutes

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, presented two bids that were opened during commission meeting to repair a bridge near Reece. First bid was from Lamarco & Sons Construction in the amount of $28,000 and the second one from Seinsears Construction in the amount of $39,610. Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve the bids from Lamarco and Sons Construction to fix the bridge near Reece in the amount of $28,000. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Lowe reported that he received a bid for chip seal projects, that would cover approximately eight miles, from Circle C Paving of Goddard in the amount of $108,000 without the chips. Commissioner asked Lowe to request additional bids as well as ask Circle C Paving for a bid to include chip seal projects. Lowe reported he is also seeking bids on a low water bridge on US 220, but wants to get the Reece bridge done first. Lowe reported that Judd Everett had repaired the testing well at the landfill, crews have installed a couple of new filters, the sign truck has been out and they’ve been putting up signs. Levi Vinson, Emergency Management Director, updated the commissioners on recent FEMA claims. There was some discussion about Ladd Bridge and the most recent engineering report that shows the damage was there before the last FEMA eligible flood. Vinson said it was definitely caused by flood damage, but it may have been a flood that was not declared an emergency. Commissioner Fox asked if there was any funding available from the Wildlife and Parks or the Corps of Engineers. Vinson said that the bridge is not on federal land, owned by the US Government, which would allow it to receive state funds. Vinson also reported that he is working on the project worksheets for the 2016 FEMA claims and reported that FEMA was pressuring them to sign immediately, however due to issues in the past, they were waiting until all the forms had been reviewed by the state. Commissioner Fox said he was contacted by a constituent over the weekend regarding an old double arch stone bridge at X Road & 190 that needed some repair work. Fox asked about historical funding available and the commissioners told Lowe to check into it.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for personnel with Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, Rhonda Ward and Amber Rayburn, Office Clerks, and Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

Greenwood County is hosting the County Commissioners and Highway Officials of Southeast Kansas Annual Meeting April 20, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the KDOT Office Complex in Chanute.

The commissioners viewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $100,133.90. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables in the amount of $185,457.35. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payables, dated 4-6-2017, in the amount of $65,00. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve an add in the amount of $727.54. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve a CMB License, dated 4-14-2017, for Little Barn by the River. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dan Mock was in to talk to the commissioners about the Fire Barn, that is being built in Reece by volunteers. Mock priced a building kit, propane heater, propane tank and propane at Sutherlands. They are requesting that the county would pay for those items since the plumbing and concrete work is being done by volunteers and donated funds. Mock said he would get an actual bid for the barn building kit from Sutherlands for the next commission meeting. After Mock left the commissioners asked Fire Chief, Doug Williams, to contact Mock and see if he would also obtain a bid from Toronto Lumber. Williams also noted he will send cost sheets from the most recent fire barns that have been built in the county, for cost comparison reasons.

Larry Sharp of KCAMP, Kansas County Association Multiline Pool, the county’s property and liability insurance provider gave an update to commissioners on the county’s coverage. The organization is a self-funded insurer, covering the first $500,000 of insurance claims. Any claims exceeding that are covered by a re-insurer.

A discussion was held between the commissioners and Sheriff Heath Samuels regarding a certain individual in the central portion of the county, whose cattle gets out regularly and it’s becoming an issue. They discussed a statute that would allow the Sheriff’s Office to load the cattle and take it to a safe barn at the owners expense. Sheriff Samuels said he would talk to the property owner again in an effort to minimize the problem.

Commissioner Hind made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for personnel with Brian Mongeau, Ambulance Director and Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.
No decision was made.

Levi Vinton, Noxious Weed Director, informed the commissioners that he ordered a new hose and hose reel for the noxious weed truck as the current one is a standard garden hose and not suitable to use. The electric 150' hose and reel cost approximately $1,300 and should be in later this week.

Commissioner Hind discussed the temperature control system that Ben Trout with EPM had updated them on last week. Hind told Commissioner Fox that he would need to convince him why we need this type of system. Commissioner Fox said he would talk to former Building Maintenance Supervisor, Vic Delpine, about the current system.

At 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Hind made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:
April 11th-Special Election- from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
April 17th-Next Commission Mtg.-9:00 a.m.
April 17th-Board of Canvassing-Immediately following Commission Mtg.
April 20th-Comm. & Hwy Off. of SEK @ 9:00 a.m. @ KDOT Office Complex in Chanute
April 27th-GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg @ 5:30 p.m.-GW Co Hospital Conference Room

ATTEST: Kathy Robin son, County Clerk

Ben Fox, Chairman
Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman
Brian Hind, Member