Commissioner Meeting
April 9, 2018

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, Chuck Spradlin, Kathy Robinson County Clerk, and Paul Dean, County Counselor.

No commission meeting minutes

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor reported Jamie Larcom is putting in a culvert east of the Norwegian Church, it's on a concrete box bridge. They are starting to do the concrete on the Norwegian Church Bridge pillars; Lowe said they need to work a little on the road for the trucks to have better access around the Norwegian Church Bridge; inmates crews have been cutting trees from H Road down 220 to Lake Road to the City Limits to the 10 mile corner up 256th (it's about 25 miles of row cutting already), plus around Ladd Bridge, and this is just for last week; Lowe said there is another culvert north of Lamont he will have Tim Leiser repair; the grader that was approved in a previous meeting came this week. Murphy Tractor was not pleased with the tires on the grader that was traded-in so they asked for half of the cost to replace them. Lowe said he needs to look and see if they have the specs on the new grader because he thought it was supposed to come with a 2 foot extension for the 14 foot blade and it did not. Lowe planned to continue negotiating with Murphy regarding the tires and the extension issue. Lowe said he hasnt heard from APAC, he will try to contact them again; hauling rock between P & Q Roads; Road and Bridge Office Manager Amber Woodie presented the start of the priority list on the bridges. Woodie said Engineer Michael Maris' bridge ratings were used to help assess priority, and the information was in the packet she handed out. She also told commissioners that Levi Vinson, Emergency Management/Noxious Weed Director had put the priority list together. Lowe told commissioners that Zack Marshall said he thought "the Narrows", at 50th and U Road, northwest of Fall River Lake, could be opened up and fixed if the Corps of Engineers approved of it, and were interested in helping. Lowe said he would talk to the Corps and see if they had any interest.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for personnel to review job applications with Road and Bridge Supervisor Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Office Manager Amber Woodie, Emergency Management/Noxious Weed Director Levi Vinson, and County Counselor Paul Dean. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the executive session.

No decision was made.

Commissioner Fox announced that April 2nd the commissioners attended a fence viewing, located at X & 40th Street near Seyfork, for Hart/McCollum properties and Fox said his opinion was that the McCollum piece needed to be repaired/replaced. Fox also mentioned that he noticed a couple of places on Hart's side of the fence that he thought needed repaired that he pointed out to him. Hart's counsel, Karen McIvain said he would be happy to repair them. There was a brief discussion on how they decided property ownership. Commissioner Fox was going to send pictures to County Counselor Paul Dean, who planned to draft a fence viewing order to send to both parties involved.

Register of Deeds Marsha Ramsey presented the commissioners with a copy of a state statute from 2002, that explained a technology fund was created and maintained, for maintaining, treating and handling of record books. Ramsey also updated the commissioners on her plans to have 180 books imaged by Salina Blueprint for approximately $13,000, or $72 per book. She also plans to have 10 old survey books bound for a total of $4,500. The total balance in the technology fund, at this time, which is set aside for this purpose, is $29,000.

Levi Vinson, Emergency Management/Noxious Weed Director, reported on the webinar held last Friday with county emergency personnel, including Sheriff Heath Samuels, Undersheriff Randy Cox, Ambulance Director Brian Mongeau, and Head Dispatcher Leon Devore. The webinar was about CodeRED a system that is able to notify the public about important information during emergencies. CodeRED is designed for Government agencies to deliver geo-targeted, time-sensitive information to residents using voicemail, email, SMS texting and technology called IPAWS (Integrated Public Alert and Warning System- like AMBER alerts). This type of technology would allow the county to send out warnings in the event of a hazardous material spill, boil water advisory, threatening weather or disaster, or any other event where the public needs to be notified to affected residents. The cost for access to the nationwide system is based on population of the community, estimated at 6,123 residents for Greenwood County. Based on that population the cost would be $2,500 annually. Vinson noted that only certain emergency officials would have the capability to send alerts and having spreading the capability to send emergency alerts would take some of the pressure off the dispatcher in the event of a large-scale emergency. Vinson explained as soon as the system is active, information on signing up details will be sent out via the Greenwood County Sheriff's Office, Emergency Management, Madison News and Earl's Herald Facebook pages, as well as information in future printed issues of the newspapers. An app will be available for download and sign-up, as well as online or by phoning in to the system to register. There will be customizable options for communication preferences, including cell phones, land lines, email and social media. It also has the capability to use two-way messages for communication between residents and officials. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve the purchase of CodeRed. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. It was decided to take the purchase out of the general fund this year, as they decided it probably didn't qualify to be paid out of B911 funding. Next year it will be taken out of the Emergency Management budget.

Undersheriff Randy Cox presented a bid for 12 new Kenwood 15-year radios, including hand mikes and chargers, in the amount of $7,740. Cox added he had tested several different models and brands and determined this one to be the best radio. The original price per radio was $625 and he got it down to $575. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the purchase of the Kenwood radios, including mikes and chargers, in the amount of $7,740. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
Jason Findley, Building Maintenance Supervisor, told commissioners he had obtained two bids for the wind damage on the roof last year but was having trouble getting anyone to show up for the third bid. Findley spoke to a representative from KCAMP, the county’s insurance pool, and they were ready to approve the lower of the two bids, with a $500 deductible. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve a bid from Ray’s Roofing in the amount of $14,450 to fix the part of the roof that lifted up and replace the flashing. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly Treasurer’s Report.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $91,410.77. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve payables in the amount of $350,179.52. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve an executive session for legal to discuss questions regarding budgets and funding. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. No decision was made.

The commissioners viewed a Certificate of Liability from Voice Products, Inc.

At 10:17 a.m. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:
April 16th – Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
April 19th – 2018 Annual County Commissioner & Hwy Officials of SEK Mtg @ Chanute @ 8:30 a.m.
KDOT Office Complex, South Bldg
May 3rd – GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co Hospital Conference Rm

ATTEST: Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Ben Fox, Chairman
Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman
Chuck Spradlin, Member