

Commissioner Meeting
August 12, 2019

Chairman Chuck Spradlin called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Ben Fox, Paul Hodge, Shannon Gant, Deputy, and County Counselor Paul Dean.

The commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve August 5, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that the dump truck is in McPherson where they are checking samples to make sure there is no gas in the truck. Chrisman said they have checked the Road and Bridge cameras and no one at their department has put gas in the truck so that is not the problem. Chrisman spoke to Randy at Foley and asked him about installing injectors. It is a non-warranty item so they will have to wait and see how that works out. Chrisman told commissioners that a crew placed a tinhorn on State Street. We got the two trucks home Friday and are pleased with them. Commissioner Fox asked how the electrical project was going out at the Road and Bridge Department on the new service? Chrisman said nothing yet from Don, the electrician. Administrative Assistant Amber Woodie presented an employee verification for Robert Cohen as an Operator / Truck Driver @ \$13.13 per hour, starting 8/12/2019. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve Robert Cohen as an Operator / Truck Driver @ \$13.13 per hour for Road and Bridge. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Woodie presented a second employee verification for John Schouten as an Operator Truck Driver @ \$13.13 per hour, starting date, to be determined (td). Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve John Schouten as an Operator / Truck Driver @ \$13.13 per hour for Road and Bridge. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried. Woodie also presented a contract from Cook, Flatt & Strobel Engineers for signature, the contractors selected for the bridge project on 100th & U. Woodie presented three core sample bids for the Bitler bridge to choose from: (1) Capital Geotechnical Services \$5,805; (2) Terracon \$ 5,975; (3) Geosource \$11,500. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve Capital Geotechnical Services in the amount of \$5,805. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried. Woodie reported that a large culvert washed out in Quincy Township on 180th between EE & FF50. Woodie had three bids: (1) Coyote Culvert \$5,145; (2) Welborn Sales \$5,152; (3) J & J Drainage \$6,650. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the bid from Coyote Culvert in the amount of \$5,145. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No Treasurers Report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$200,912.68. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$99,661.82. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin brought up the discussion about the Rural Fire District 2019 budget exceeding the state cap by approximately \$15,000 and explained the Notice of Vote and Resolution 19-07 that was prepared to levy property taxes in support of the 2020 Greenwood County Rural Fire District No. 1 budget. Commissioner Spradlin read the Notice of Vote aloud and asked the other commissioners what their votes would be, as well as voting himself. The outcome: 3 In Favor votes from the commissioners and 0 Against. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve Resolution 19-07 (A resolution expressing the property taxation policy of the Greenwood County Rural Fire District No. 1 governing body with respect to financing the annual budget for 2020). Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve the 2020 budget for publication. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioners reviewed an ad for the county appraiser position and discussed options for paper placement. After some discussion, Madison News is going to have it posted statewide through the Kansas Press Association for \$900. It will also be featured in both of our county newspapers.

Commissioner Spradlin talked to Commissioners Fox and Hodge about the "Fire Culture Questions" that Jeff Davidson, Watershed Specialist had sent. Davidson would like to come to a commission meeting and ask questions regarding the county's burn bans and prescribed fires, etc and tape the meeting. Commissioners all agreed if they do that meeting it would be good to have Fire Chief Doug Williams present to answer those questions.

Concerned citizen Doug Mitchell talked about the need to repair Christian Hills Bridge and the shape it is in. Commissioners told him it has been on their priority list for quite a while and they apply for grants every year for it, as well. They thanked him for coming in.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for personnel employee performance review with Noxious Weed/Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson and County Counselor Paul Dean. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

At 9:52 a.m. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

Aug. 12th – Board of Canvass – 10:00 a.m.

Aug 19th – Commission Meeting -9:00 a.m.

Aug 22nd – GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg. @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital

ATTEST: Kathy Robison
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

C. Spradlin
Chuck Spradlin, Chairman

Ben Fox
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge
Paul Hodge, Member