

Commissioner Meeting  
August 19, 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, Kathy Robison, County Clerk, and County Counselor Paul Dean.

The commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve August 12, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve August 12, 2019 Board of Canvass minutes. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported contacting a company he's been working with to purchase concrete boxes to install near Madison at 360<sup>th</sup> Street between R and Q Roads, and another on L Road, between 180<sup>th</sup> and 200<sup>th</sup> Streets. Chrisman said the company "dropped the ball". Madison News Reporter Tammy Seimears and County Counselor Paul Dean both reported complaints they had received from citizens in the Northern Greenwood County area regarding the delay in the construction work on the bridge on 360<sup>th</sup>, between R and Q Roads. Commissioners asked Chrisman to contact the company to help expediate the process. Once the drawings are ready, County Engineering Consultant Michael Maris will review them and the sites will be prepared for the boxes. Chrisman also has plans to get bids to fix Meng crossing that recently washed out. Administrative Assistant Amber Woodie reported that County Engineering Consultant Michael Maris turned in the grant applications last week for the bridges the commissioners had selected. Woodie said she thought 4 or 5 bridges had been selected. Woodie relayed they received a bid for chip/seal on Reece Road from APAC. They are still planning on getting a couple of other bids, as well. Commissioner Fox suggested contacting the City and asking if they are doing a project soon, to help save money. Woodie presented a 3-way agreement for the northwest portion of the county pertaining to the High Risk Rural Road signage grant with KDOT we have been participating in this year that reimburses the county at 100% for project expenses. Commissioners signed four copies of the agreement. Chrisman reported they had the meeting between Michael Maris and KDOT and the mediator.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve an abatement in the amount of \$820.14. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve an audit preparation contract, with Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, P.A., in the amount of \$15,900. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a budget preparation contract, with Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, P.A., in the amount of \$1,400. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioners gave an update on a road viewing, that was scheduled last week, for a piece of Road 250 near Beaumont (Kingsley Properties). Dave Murfin sent a request to defer any decision regarding the abandonment of the road until he could attend a meeting on either September 3<sup>rd</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup>. Commissioners agreed to wait until September 3<sup>rd</sup> to make their decision.

Fire Chief Doug Williams sent an e-mail to the commissioners over the weekend in regard to county's latest Insurance Services Office (ISO) ratings. Williams reported that Madison, Virgil, Fall River, Hamilton, Severy and Eureka all continued or improved their ISO ratings. On November 1, Greenwood County's rating will be a 5/5X. The rating used to be class 9. The lower rating could help homeowners by lowering the cost of insurance.

Two citizens asked commissioners for an update on GG Road in Salt Springs Township, which was subject of the Brown vs. Daley litigation. County Counselor Paul Dean said that Road and Bridge will work on the road after the flooding projects have settled down. The road will then be turned over for the township to maintain.

Commissioner Hodge asked Noxious Weed Director Levi Vinson if the county could hire someone to mow hazardous Johnson grass along CC50. Vinson couldn't think of anyone in the area, but also said he was hesitant to mow right now, for fear of spreading Old World Bluestem. Vinson also mentioned he is looking for a printer.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to for a 5 minute executive session for employee performance evaluation with County Counselor Paul Dean. Commissioner Hodge seconded The motion. The motion carried. Another 5 minutes was added to the executive session.

No decision was made.

Sheriff Heath Samuels reported that the inmate work crew will be working with the "Myreka" group, painting light posts along Main Street in Eureka. Samuels also told commissioners he is talking to an architectural company about possibly building a new jail in the future. They are interested in talking to commissioners at a future Monday morning meeting. Samuels said he would get it scheduled, but did not yet have a date.

At 9:55 a.m. Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

Aug 22nd – GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg. @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital  
Aug 26<sup>th</sup> – Commission Meeting -9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: Kathy Robinson  
Kathy Robinson, County Clerk

Chuck Spradlin  
Chuck Spradlin, Chairman

Ben Fox  
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge  
Paul Hodge, Member