

Commissioner Meeting  
August 29, 2016

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

As soon as the meeting began, a budget hearing was held for the Greenwood County 2017 Budget.

Commissioner Conard made a motion to approve the Greenwood County 2017 Budget. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Charlie Bower, with KDHE, and Bruce Boettcher, with B & G Consultants were present at the meeting to discuss the landfill issue. Bower, with KDHE, informed the commissioners that as long as the landfill modification is being done because their volume limit is increasing by 10% or less, it would be considered a "minor" modification. However, if the modification is being done because their volume limit exceeds 10% then it would be considered a "major" modification and requires a public notice and hearing. Both options require an engineering redesign to accommodate the additional volume. Commissioner Hind asked if Bower thought that 10% volume increase would be enough. Bower said that it may be enough because there is still some unused space out at the landfill that can be used for volume intake. Commissioner Conard questioned exactly how much space is left and wanted to know who would know that information. Commissioner Hind asked if it would cost more to choose the "major" modification. Bower said it would probably be about the same. Bower said they will need the original footprint from the landfill and the footprint that outlines the new design. The Road and Bridge Department will work on marking the perimeter of the current zoned C & D landfill space and evaluate how much is left. The commissioners talked to Bower about alternatives to purchasing a trash compactor and Bower said dozer compaction could also be an option.

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, said crews have been checking roads and reported that the Neal Bridge project is complete and the bridge is open for traffic. Rhonda Ward, Road and Bridge professional, discussed ordering some cameras to take pictures of storm damages but when she received the cameras they were the wrong ones so she sent them back.

A representative of the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation asked commissioners to waive the landfill tipping fees for the rafters of several buildings being torn down at the fairgrounds. The request was approved.

Mike Halleran of Riordan, Fincher, Munson and Sinclair, PA from Topeka spoke with commissioners about assisting with debt collection for delinquent personal property taxes. The firm is only paid if they are able to collect the money and their charge for debt collection is 33.3% fee, based on the collection amount. The commissioners asked Halleran to set up a meeting with County Counselor, Paul Dean, to further discuss the county's current practices and the services Halleran can offer.

Alan Wyckoff accompanied by legal counsel Karen McIlvain asked commissioners not to close the road scheduled for viewing on September 12 (HH Road and 175th). As discussed before at other meetings Wyckoff said that he is unable to get to a piece of his property since a gate has been set up on the road, which he previously traveled on. Commissioner Hind said he will not vote in favor of closing the road, since there is so much controversy. Wyckoff also asked to have a road reopened that has been closed since the 1980s. No decisions were made, however, the commissioners will view the road on Monday, September 12 at 11:30 a.m

Marsha Ramsey, Register of Deeds, discussed the upcoming micro filming of records in her office. The commissioners agreed to allow it and the funds will come out of the Register of Deeds Tech Funds account.

Keila Sherman, Greenwood County Conservation District, invited commissioners to several upcoming events, including their board meetings, which occur on the second Tuesday of every month.

Matt Osborn, Chairman of the Greenwood County long-term recovery committee, said he is working with the city of Eureka to demolish the remaining 10 houses that are on a list that has been given to the landfill of houses affected by the tornado. Tipping fees will be waived for those addresses. Osborn's goal is to have the demolition done in the next month so they can move towards construction and repair.

Commissioner Hind mentioned that over the weekend Madison fire department was blocking the road for several hours. The commissioners agreed that on busy streets, law enforcement is necessary for traffic control, but on less traveled roads, barricades would be sufficient.

Commissioner Hind made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for personnel with Paul Dean, County Counselor and Levi Vinson, Emergency Management Director.

After the executive session, commissioners announced that Emergency Management Director, Levi Vinson, will begin working as a FEMA deputy with the Road and Bridge Department in order to collect the funds from the May 2015 storm damages that Greenwood County has still not received. Vinson had reported that Greenwood County is the only County affected by the May 2015 disaster that has not yet received their FEMA funds. Vinson will be paid \$25 per hour for his services out of Road and Bridge funds.

Commissioner Hind made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for personnel with Paul Dean, County Counselor and Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor.

After returning from executive session, Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve an employment verification for Dusty Hurley as a part-time employee of the Road and Bridge Department at \$15 per hour. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$84,200.58. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve 8/29/2016 payables in the amount of \$1657.22. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve 9/2/2016 payables in the amount of \$135,124.37. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a part-time employee verification for David Oehm with the Sheriff's Department at \$13.50 per hour. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve paying Hamilton School \$100 for the use of their facility during the SEK meeting held August 26, 2016 and also a \$50 gift card to an eating establishment for Dedra Stutesman. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the 2nd Quarterly Financial Report. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve August 22, 2016 minutes. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10 minute executive session with Kathy Robison, County Clerk; Deann Bankson, Payroll Clerk/Deputy; and Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

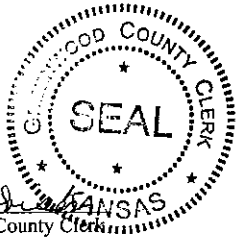
Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for legal with Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional five minutes was added to the executive session.

No decision was made.

At 11:35a.m. Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

- September 5<sup>th</sup>-Courthouse Closed in observance of Labor Day
- September 6<sup>th</sup>- Next Commission Meeting - 9:00 a.m.
- September 6<sup>th</sup>-Road viewings after Commission Mtg. at (Reece) & ( H & 90<sup>th</sup>)



ATTEST: Kathy Robison  
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Brian Hind  
Brian Hind, Chairman

Ben Fox  
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Cole Conard  
Cole Conard, Member