

Commissioner Meeting  
August 8, 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, and Kathy Robison, County Clerk. Paul Dean, County Counselor arrived at 9:07 a.m.

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, and Rhonda Ward, Office Professional reported that the FEMA funds have been held up, because the locations weren't correct. Lowe presented a bid from APAC for chip/seal project for 2.4 miles of road in the northern part of the county. Since APAC will be in Madison later this month anyway, they are lowering the amount they had originally quoted. The new amount is \$57,632.04. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for personnel with Health Department Administrator, Lela Day, and Office Professional Mary Harrison. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the executive session. Health Department personnel left and an additional 5 minutes was added to the executive session with just the commissioners present. The commissioners asked County Clerk, Kathy Robison, to attend an additional 5 minutes into the executive session.

No decision was made

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve July 25, 2016 minutes. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve August 1, 2016 minutes. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The commissioner reviewed a weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$37,280.81. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hine made a motion to approve an employee verification for Jerry "Ryan" Bables for a full-time Sheriff's Deputy at \$13.15 per hour. Sheriff Samuels stated the offer was conditional on a psych test and Babel will need to attend the Academy. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hine made a motion to approve the CMB license for the PRC a rodeo being held August 19 through the 20<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

It was mentioned at the meeting that New Beginnings is still needing a board member to represent Greenwood County.

Levi Vinson, Emergency Management Director, reported that States' applications for FEMA assistance for the tornado disaster was denied, as the threshold of \$4.2 million of damages was not met.

Commissioner Fox relayed that Eureka City Administrator, Ian Marell, had contacted him to see if the county would consider keeping the landfill open 40 hours per week until the debris from destroyed homes due to the tornado were cleaned. The Eureka Foundation has offered an employee and skid steer to help with the labor costs.

Marsha Ramsey, Register of Deeds, talked about the process of how taxes get to the county budget and the statutory jobs of each office and the hard work they each do. Ramsey said there are 12 county employees working full-time who make less than \$11/hour, even though at least half of those employees have worked at least two years. More discussion was held about the upcoming tax lid in 2018, and how difficult it will be to give raises after that point. The increase in insurance premiums was also discussed in depth and how that will impact the employees and possibly cause them to look elsewhere for employment. Commissioners have mentioned a possible .10 raise for most employees.

At 10:37a.m. Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Conard seconded the motion. The motion carried.


Calendar:

August 15th- Next Commission Meeting - 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

Kathy Robison, County Clerk



  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Hind, Chairman

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Cole Conard, Member