

Commissioner Meeting
December 2, 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, Roy Ballard, Robert Joe Morgan, 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 November 25, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported he received an estimate from Judd Everitt on the bridge on W Road, just North of Hamilton, slightly, on the northern approach. The estimate includes: repair on the stem wall, and he's going to clean, pin it up, and pour it. The township is going to contribute some rip rap. Right now they are going to put some AB3 in to make it crossable. Currently they are at 330th and will need to repair it, as a large truck did some damage when it crossed over. Commissioner Spradlin said he would like to revisit discussion on the bridge at W Road. Commissioner Spradlin said, "We talked about the bridge this morning and it is a main north/south, and it seems it would be poor practice not to do anything with it." He added "And what they're talking about doing is the only fix we can live with." Commissioner Ballard and Commissioner Fox agreed. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve Everitt Concrete starting the bridge project at W Road, in the amount of \$18,500. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Chrisman said they got the 7' tinnhorn in on 177th and EE Road on the east side of the county; the bridge on 366th is open but they still have a little dressing to do; wing wall at L & 180th has been poured and they should start back-filling this week. Commissioner Morgan asked Chrisman if the rock at Hilltop had ever been tested. Chrisman said, "I haven't gotten a report on it lately, but they do test it, I think they are obligated to test it." There was a brief discussion on the quality of the rock at Hilltop with Commissioner Ballard stating this rock is a lot better after the crushing this time. Commissioner Ballard relayed that he is getting a few complaints regarding the Virgil road, right at Lamont, the first mile, pertaining to the potholes. Commissioner Hodge asked if both box bridges were completed and Chrisman said that they were still working on the one on L Road, just north of 180th, the bridge they had poured and still need to let cure, then back-fill. Commissioner Spradlin asked Chrisman if he was aware of the new CDL requirements, by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), that will go into effect January of 2020 involving Drug and Alcohol testing for employed CDL Drivers. Chrisman said that he had only received information from KAC regarding dues and also something pertaining to if you don't have an A class CDL by February 7, 2020, you will need to attend a class to obtain one. Commissioner Spradlin shared the new requirement with Chrisman. A new clearinghouse has been adapted to ensure that drivers do not conceal drug and alcohol usage and the county will be obligated to request records from them. All CDL drivers are required to register with the program, prior to Friday, January 6, 2020. Chrisman also relayed that Catapiller will be coming to do service on some of the equipment. Commissioner Morgan asked if Chrisman would be having a snow removal class. Chrisman remarked if we have some snow he would consider a class, and this spring he will be rescheduling a ditching class with Foley, as the original date did not work out due to weather.

Commissioners viewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$160,988.00. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$109,355.74. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Greenwood County Hospital CEO Sandra Dickerson attended the meeting to update the commissioners on the hospital's monthly board meeting and current hospital financial reports. Dickerson said they increased their cash on hand; accounts payable and accounts receivable, due to the census going up. The Home Health Financial Statement is a Cost Report because Home Health is a department that is "fee for service" rather than "cost-based reimbursement", so they had originally been looking at doing a reduction in services in that department. The Howard Clinic shows a \$760,000 loss, however the 340b payments they receive from the pharmacy are a revenue. Dickerson discussed the hospital census being down from last year this time and the contract for the Nuclear Medicine Program is with Lyon County instead of Burlington County, as she had earlier reported. Dickerson also relayed that the current CFO of the hospital has given notice, as she has another opportunity that the hospital cannot compete with.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to remove the HSA option from our Health Insurance (Plan 2). Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the abatements and adds. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There was a brief discussion about a company that would like to do the tax sale for the county for a fee of \$10,000-\$15,000. County Counselor Paul Dean said he wouldn't recommend doing this because that amount is already budgeted

for the County Counselor to do this. The commissioners decided to continue having County Counselor Paul Dean do the tax sales.

Hamilton Resident Doug Mitchell attended the meeting to discuss how the Christian Hills Bridge is in bad shape and he stated that it is a really important bridge that has lots of traffic on it. Commissioner Spradlin told Mitchell that the bridge is a top priority on the list and has been for a long time and the county has been trying to get a grant for the bridge. Mitchell also discussed the meeting room and his concern regarding the expenses. Commissioner Spradlin explained the room had been budgeted \$60,000 in the year to be used for the meeting space and explained additional ways the commissioners intend for the room to be used.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Kingsley/Murphy viewing, and it was decided that County Counselor Paul Dean will do a resolution with the findings to both property owners and give them 90 days to comply. County Counselor Paul Dean said if they do not comply it would become a civil case between them.

At 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

December 9th – Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.

December 13th – Bids for Year-End Dinner due in Clerk's Office by 5:00 p.m.

December 16th – Bids for Year-End Dinner to be opened at Commission Meeting @ 9:30 a.m.

December 26th – GW Co. Hospital Board Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital

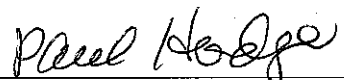
ATTEST: Kathy Robinson
Kathy Robinson, County Clerk



Chuck Spradlin, Chairman




Ben Fox, Vice Chairman



Paul Hodge, Member



Roy Ballard, Member



Robert Joe Morgan, Member