Commissioner Meeting
February 25, 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 February 19, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman, verified with Commissioner Hodge that the $14,000 estimate discussed last week on two bridges on 60th included Francis Chaplin’s labor and told commissioners he was going to talk to Chaplin about the project. Chrisman also relayed that he was going to start negotiations with Greg about extending the warranty on the excavator. Chrisman said that Rock’s was looking at buying tires in bulk, which would make the price cheaper and crews did a lot of salting and sanding last week. Commissioner Hodge relayed he got some complaints about the bridge being closed during the last storm from people that lived up on the hill. Chrisman explained it wasn’t closed because of the hill, they closed it because they were concerned the ice melt wasn’t completely melting the ice, and there are no guard rails on that bridge. Commissioner Hodge said he was completely okay with it being closed for a safety issue. Administrative Assistant Amber Woodie updated commissioners on the High Risk Rural Roads grant program through KDOT to replace all road signs and posts, with the exception of 911 signs, on major collector roads south of US 54 and west of Highway 99. The project will be 100% funded by KDOT. The project has to be completed by October 2021. Woodie explained that another application has been submitted and approved for the same program and will cover north of US 54 and west of Highway 99. Woodie also discussed the Township Meeting/Dinner March 20, 2019. Registration starts at 6:00 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Matt Samuels Building. The menu is chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, corn, salad, roll, dessert, coffee, tea, and water. Woodie presented two bids: one from Copper Kettle in the amount of $11.50 per person and one from Lo Mar in the amount of $10.75 per person. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve the bid from Lo Mar for the Township meal in the amount of $10.75 per person. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioners viewed the weekly Treasurer’s Report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $95,416.03. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables in the amount of $144,401.55. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox mentioned he mistakenly ordered the wrong renewal license for the internet filter in an effort to get a better deal. Fox purchased one for a different model of router, in the amount of $550 and the company will not take it back, but he plans to sell the license on ebay.

County Clerk Kathy Robison presented the annual contract with Advantage Computer for IT services in the amount of $3,500. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the contract with Advantage Computer. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioners received a letter of resignation from both the Salt Springs Treasurer, Stacie Fogle and the Salt Springs Trustee, Joan Penner, with the effective date 3-1-2019. County Clerk Kathy Robison told commissioners that Salt Springs does not have a Clerk to represent them, and the road grader said he would temporarily be the Trustee until they find someone, but he doesn’t want to do it permanently. Robison said they can find someone, see if another township would incorporate them into their township and manage them, or turn them back over to the county. Commissioner Hodge said he talked to someone who may be interested, and said he talked to the road grader that said he knew a crew of people that may be interested. Commissioner Hodge said he would follow-up.

Appraiser Jami Clark presented the R & S Digital Maintenance Agreement renewal in the amount of $7,024. They are the company we contract with to do our mapping and the amount is the same as last year. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the R & S Digital Maintenance Agreement renewal in the amount of $7,024. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

County Counselor Paul Dean mentioned to Appraiser Jami Clark that they need to get GG Rd, south of 400 off of the tax roll, as it has been designated as a township road, according to a recent court case between Brown/Daisy.

Crosswinds Contract and SKT Video Agreement were both on the agenda for discussion but it was decided to table them both until County Counselor Paul Dean had more time to review the materials.

The commissioners revisited their discussion from last week on designated Veteran’s Grave Markers. County Counselor Paul Dean had shared statutes, which basically said the county wasn’t obligated to purchase the markers, but it is a good practice. The commissioners were given information gathered by the Clerk’s Office, that priced aluminum markers at approximately $15.50 each and bronze markers $75 each. Commissioner Fox mentioned he thought he could get them less expensive from another distributor and suggested ordering a few samples for comparison. Commissioners Spradlin and Hodge agreed to look at a sample and discuss the matter again.
Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a 10 minute executive session for personnel with Mary Harrison, Health Department and County Counselor Paul Dean. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

After returning from executive session, commissioners relayed that Monica Harrison of the Health Department is moving from full time to part time until someone new is hired and trained for the office position. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve changing Monica Harrison’s position from full time to part time, effective February 7, 2019, until someone is hired and trained for the office position. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin asked the other commissioners if they would be willing to stay after the commission meeting next week and have a work session to discuss the 5 member commission board.

Ambulance Director Brian Mongeau reported that the new ambulance was damaged this weekend when it was hit by a deer near Rosalia. Mongeau said there wasn’t a tremendous amount of damage but would like to take it to John North Ford in Emporia for repairs. Mongeau also said he talked to KCAMP already for the insurance and is working on filling out the form. Commissioner Spradlin asked what the deductible is, and Mongeau told him $500. Mongeau also told commissioners he is considering putting grill guards on the ambulances for added protection. Mongeau also gave an update on the EMT class that has been going on. He told them that 16 students tested last weekend and should know in the next couple of weeks whether they passed. If so, they will move on to the written exam. Commissioner Fox told Mongeau about a complaint he received about ambulance transfers. Mongeau hopes that these additional EMTs will help with transfer times and options.

At 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

- **February 27th**: GW Co Hospital Board Mtg @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital
- **March 4th**: Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
- **March 4th**: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Hrs March 18th 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Early Voting in the Clerk’s Office Dates
- **March 11th**: Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
- **March 19th**: 2019 Special Election – 389 School Bond from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. @ Matt Samuels Bldg & Severy Methodist Church
- **March 20th**: Township Mtg/Dinner – Registration @ 6:00 p.m. / Dinner @ 6:30 p.m. @ Matt Samuels Bldg
- **March 25th**: Board of Canvas for 2019 Special Election – 389 School Bond @ 10:00 a.m.
- **March 28th**: Lunch w/Farm Bureau @ Cherokee Lanes @ 12:00 p.m.
- **March 28th**: GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital

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Chuck Spradlin, Chairman

Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge, Member

ATTEST: Kathy Robinson, County Clerk