Commissioner Meeting
January 16, 2017

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

No Commission Meeting Minutes.

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor reported that crews were out Friday night salting roads, but the commissioners and Lowe agreed the county was lucky to not get as much ice and bad weather over the weekend as some reports had predicted; Lowe said he is getting bids on the two dump trucks he would like to replace; reported that a FEMA representative was here last week; said he is asking contractors to look at the Ladd Bridge abutment, as it needs repaired; crews are burning brush piles; they fixed a washout; Lowe said that they could look at leasing trucks, but Commissioner Hind said he doesn’t want to make payments; Lowe said he would like to get JAKE brakes put on the new dump trucks to help save on tires; Commissioner Hodge asked Lowe to remove some trees near Christian Hills Bridge that are obstructing road views, Lowe said he would check on it.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to appoint Ben Fox as the Commission Chairman. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for personnel with Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor and Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the executive session.

No decision was made.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for legal with Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor and Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the executive session.

No decision was made.

The commissioners reviewed the Treasurer’s weekly report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the 4th Quarter Financial Report. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payables, dated 01-20-2017, in the amount of $123,347.82. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payables, dated 01-16-2017, in the amount of $5,369.64. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $101,122.41. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for legal with Levi Vinson, Emergency Management/Noxious Weed Director and Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

Paul Dean, County Counselor, reported that progress is being made on the Mediacom tower agreement in Madison. A bill of sale has been sent to Mediacom to transfer ownership of the tower to the county, however, Mediacom will maintain a lease agreement for the property, as they will store some equipment on the ground the tower sits on.

County Counselor, Paul Dean, discussed the contract, entered in December 2014, with eCivis software. eCivis Software is used for identifying grant opportunities and since the county has not utilized the service like anticipated, the commissioners approved the early termination fee and will no longer be in contract with the company. In order for the county to get out of the eCivis agreement, they would need to pay a 50-percent early termination settlement of $2,125.

Emergency Management Director, Levi Vinson, reported that the boil water advisory for Severy is back on after losing pressure due to line breaks so last week he delivered several pallets of bottled water to the community. Commissioner Hind asked why it became the county’s responsibility to provide water for Fall River and Severy during their advisories. Vinson explained that technically it’s up to the city to decide to provide water, and the county went “above and beyond” to help. Vinson added that while the county may be able to assist the smaller communities with water advisories, they would not be able to provide the same resources to larger communities like Eureka.

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

Calendar:
January 23rd – Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Ben Fox, Chairman
Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman
Brian Hind, Member