Commissioner Meeting
January 27th, 2020

Chairman Paul Hodge called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Ben Fox, Roy Ballard, Chuck Spradlin, Robert Joe Morgan, Kathy Robison County Clerk and County Counselor Paul Dean.

The Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve January 20th, 2020 minutes. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that all the contracts on Bitter Bridge have been signed and the Bridge located on 390th currently has a project number. Chrisman reported the bridge that was struck by a vehicle on H road was structurally sound and just the guard rail needed repair. Commissioner Morgan recommended placing guard rails on the bridge located at 200th and H road. Chrisman stated he was going to look into getting steel guardrail rather than wooden, for longevity purposes. Commissioner Morgan inquired about the bridge located near Reece; Darrel responded that location, among others, are on their list of pending repairs.

FEMA Specialist Amber Woodie reported having received the county’s first payment from FEMA in the amount of $69,320.15, for debris removal from a project started in October of 2018. Amber reported an estimate of roughly $100,000 is pending payment.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve a ten minute executive session regarding employee evaluation with Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman and Legal Counsel Paul Dean. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried. No decisions were made.

Commissioners reviewed Treasurer’s report. No actions were taken.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $106,743.71. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payables in the amount $65,508.30. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a special payout in the amount of $314.96. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Health Department Supervisor Vicki Ross reported receiving a bid in the amount of $4,195 for a new copier. Commissioner Fox suggested that Ross attempt to get a second bid and if the second bid received was competitive, to proceed with that purchase. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve a new copier, with trade-in, in the amount of $4,195. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Vicki Ross requested an executive session for 15 minutes pertaining to personnel evaluations. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a 15 minute executive session. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried. No decisions were made.

Larry Sharp from KCAMP provided commissioners with an information update.

Hospital CEO Sandy Dickerson met with commissioners to discuss the hospital’s financial status. Dickerson reported showing a $199,000 net income for November and $104,000 net income for December. Dickerson expressed her hopes for developing a cash reserve, stating that she has contacted a lender regarding a loan, but has not received an answer on their application at this point. Sandy reported an improvement in the hospital’s quality reports from the third quarter.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve Charles Tannehill for the position of Eureka Township Trustee. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve Preston Evenson for the position of Salem Township Trustee. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

EMS Department Supervisor Brian Mongeau requested approval for pay increases for three employees based on their completion of certifications; Jonathan Andrews, Brandon Willis and Philip Mathiowetz. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to move Brandon Willis from $11.69 per hour to $13.50 per hour. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried. Commissioner Fox made a motion to move Jonathan Andrew from $11.69 per hour to $13.50 per hour. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion.
The motion carried. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve moving Philip Mathiowetz from $11.69 per hour to $15.05 per hour. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

County Attorney Paul Dean reported employment verification for Sandra McCabe for part-time position of Receptionist/Clerk with the County Attorney’s office. McCabe’s starting date will be January 31st, 2020 at the rate of $11.60 per hour. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve employment verification for Sandra McCabe. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioners were presented with a Proclamation for a moment of silence for the late Sheriff Matt Samuels. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve the Proclamation for Sheriff Matt Samuels. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried. On February 3, at 1 p.m. all Greenwood county residents, schools and employers are asked to observe a moment of silence in remembrance of Matt Samuels. In accordance with the proclamation, subsequent observation will be held on January 19, at 10 a.m.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve a five percent raise for Health Department employee Mary Hancock, from $15.20 per hour to $15.96 per hour. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a five percent pay raise for Health Department employee Valerie Morris, from $11.68 per hour to $12.50 per hour. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next Commission Meeting will be February 3rd, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Ben Fox made a motion to Adjourn at 10:42 a.m. Commissioner Roy Ballard seconded the motion. The Motion carried.