Commissioner Meeting
January 28, 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, and Kathy Robison, County Clerk. County Counselor Paul Dean was not present.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve January 21, 2019 minutes as corrected. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that Engineer Michael Maris should be in town today around 11:00 a.m. to look at the bridge north of Quincey with the collapsed wing wall; the landfill is almost cleaned up from the storm damages, and KDHE will be here this week. Chrisman briefed the commissioners on the final details of what needs to be removed from the landfill; Chrisman told commissioners he was looking at a tilt dump trailer for recycling, but said they were pretty pricy and he wasn’t sure if the money was in the budget for this year. What he had priced so far was $24,500-$26,000, not including freight. Chrisman mentioned that was an on-line price and did not reflect if they do a state pricing option. Commissioner Hodge suggested checking with Chris Hare in Severy about building one, to see if the price would be cheaper than buying one on-line. Commissioner Spradlin asked if the trailer has its own hydraulics. There was a brief discussion about the procedure now for dumping recyclables and how a tilt dump trailer would change that. Commissioner Spradlin suggested the office do a report to document the type of savings they could expect over six or eight months, then they could talk about it. Commissioner Fox asked how well the truck they use to pull the recycling trailer now is doing and Chrisman told him it was in bad shape. Chrisman said the crews are out still working on rough spots on the roads.

Commissioners viewed the weekly Treasurer’s Report.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $98,928.35. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables in the amount of $219,994.54. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

County Clerk Kathy Robison and County Treasurer Donna Olson met with the commissioners. Robison explained when she set the levy for the Southeast Kansas Library it was entered as 1.00 instead of .100. Robison relayed they are working with the software company to help them refigure everything and refunds will need to be issued by the Treasurer’s Office, and the amounts of the refunds issued will approximately total $47,000, but will not affect those living inside the cities of Eureka, Madison, or Hamilton, as they have their own libraries, and are taxed differently. Olson told commissioners many of the refunds are under $1. Olson plans to send only taxpayers that are due a refund will receive a revised statement. Olson asked commissioners if they wanted her to mail refund checks for less than $1, or another option would be send the revised statement and ask that they come to the Treasurer’s Office within 60 days to receive their refund. Otherwise, the refunds over $1 will be mailed. Robison said the clerk’s office will pay for the expenses associated with the refund. The commissioners agreed with the plan.

Doug Mitchell from Hamilton complimented the work that the inmate crews have been doing on tree trimming between the lake road and 99 Highway (Road 220). Commissioner Spradlin commented that he had a chance to go out there while they were doing that, and it seems they have a pretty good crew put together, and good supervision. Commissioner Fox noted he’s been pleased with the inmate program, adding, “I think it’s a great idea to do this because it gets them out doing some work. Maybe they’ll improve themselves. That’s what I hope.”

County Clerk Kathy Robison told the commissioners that Marion County is going through the same process as Greenwood County, switching from a three-person commission board to a five-person commission board. The Secretary of State’s Office told Robison they would like Greenwood and Marion representatives to work together and mirror each other during the transition. Robison also relayed that the board should continue acting as a three-person board until the new commissioners take office, so the current quorum will remain at two.

At 9:23 a.m. Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:
- February 4th – Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
- February 6th – GW Co. Hospital Special Board Mtg @ 5:30 @ GW Co. Hospital Basement
- February 18th – Courthouse Closed in observance of President’s Day
- February 19th – Tuesday, Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
- February 28th – GW Co Hospital Board Mtg @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital

ATTEST:
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Chuck Spradlin, Chairman
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman
Paul Hodge, Member