

Commissioner Meeting  
June 3, 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 May 28, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve May 30, 2019 special minutes. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman presented estimates on low-water crossings for two bridges located 60<sup>th</sup> street, west of J Road, in the amount of \$97,340.00 and 60<sup>th</sup> street, east of G Road, in the amount of \$46,920.00. Still no estimate for 70<sup>th</sup> street at this time. Commissioner Hodge asked Chrisman the status on the permits for the bridges. Chrisman relayed that he hasn't heard anything from the Corps of Engineers yet. There was some discussion on FEMA funding possibly helping with the projects. Road closed signs have been posted. Going to 180<sup>th</sup> & L and taking the little horns out and putting bigger horns in. Chrisman told commissioners that Zach Marshall is working on the Landfill Bridge and hopefully it will be back open Wednesday. Reported they are working on tin horns on GG and 190<sup>th</sup>. Chrisman reported that they did receive \$90,000 in Federal Exchange Funds last Thursday. Office Manager Janet Turner asked what account the commissioners would like the funds to be deposited in. Commissioners recommended Special Highway for future chip/seal projects.

Commissioner Spradlin made a 10 minute executive session for personnel employee performance with Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman, Road and Bridge Office Manager Janet Turner, and County Counselor Paul Dean. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

After returning from executive session, Commissioner Spradlin announced there has been some discussion about the need to create a new position to assist Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman, due to massive amount of flood damaged roads and bridges. Commissioner Spradlin pointed out that having an assistant supervisor will free Chrisman up to handle FEMA issues and management duties. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve promoting James Dakota Chamberlain from Equipment Operator to Assistant Road and Bridge Supervisor. Chamberlain's rate of pay will be \$15.80 per hour effective 06/09/2019. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor reported that Kenworth is bringing a 2014 10-speed automatic truck, with high mileage, to look at tomorrow.

Commissioners viewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$163,093.68. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$98,183.03. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to appoint Dale Kirkham to the Greenwood County Zoning Board. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Salt Springs Treasurer Lloyd Newkirk and road grader Harold Sullens were in attendance. Commissioner Hodge explained that the township now has two part-time road graders and not enough work for both of them. Commissioner Hodge wondered the possibility of having them grade some of the county roads within Salt Springs township, as there are 26 county miles and 35 township miles in the area. Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman said he would consider it but he needs to do some research. Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson mentioned that he would recommend, if they do this, to have them grade on only RS (Rural Secondary) roads because FEMA would likely not reimburse us, during an event, if the county road was not maintained by the Road and Bridge Department. Vinson said the RS roads cannot be claimed on FEMA events, so they would be okay, to be maintained by the township graders. Road and Bridge Office Manager Janet Turner said that KDOT provides funding for RS roads, so it may be the same case. Vinson said he would do some checking.

Joe O'Rourke and Tara Cunningham with New Beginnings presented their 2020 budget request of \$28,000 which is the same as last year's request. As of January 1<sup>st</sup> New Beginning will be merging with Tri Valley. They will remain in the same building and offer the same services. O'Rourke also mentioned they still need one or two board members from Greenwood County.

Undersheriff Randy Cox told commissioners the handler for the second K9 for the county is at training this week and as long as the bonding process is successful, they will need to pay the second half of the payment for the dog. The original purchase price was \$6,800, so the second half due, is \$3,400. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve making a payment out of Sheriff Department Equipment Reserve in the amount of \$3,400 for the second half payment for the K9. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

EMS Director Brian Mongeau told commissioners the DKXL race came through the county and he added extra staffing on call, but everything went well. Mongeau also reported that Maintenance Supervisor Jason Findley has been out at the Ambulance barn doing some repairs and installing door seals. Mongeau remarked he would like to get some new carpet, as their's was ruined during the last storm. Undersheriff Randy Cox remarked they had water damage from a leaking window. Mongeau also said he would like to replace a 19 year old ambulance, that is the oldest in the fleet, and is currently stationed in the southern part of the county. Mongeau mentioned the ambulance before this last one was purchased by borrowing the money from the county and making payments to repay it. Mongeau noted that after this one was replaced, the rest of the ambulances were new enough and in good enough condition that they could re-use the boxes and mount them on new trucks when it came time to replace them. Mongeau also asked about progress with the work on the Madison communications tower that had been obtained from Mediacom. Mongeau said that in the last discussion with commissioners, they had asked him to get bids from companies other than the company that had done all the county's tower needs for

many years. Mongeau said he would like to stick with Hayden Tower, as they are reputable and dependable. Commissioner Fox asked County Counselor Paul Dean if they were required to get bids on a project such as this. Dean replied no, not for services. No decisions were made.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for personnel for employee performance with County Counselor Paul Dean. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the executive session.

No decision was made.

Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson told commissioners that, in the past, Salt Springs has helped spreading rock, as a "favor". However, when Road and Bridge is overwhelmed, like with the current flooding events, FEMA will reimburse the county if they need to pay someone contract labor as long as it is over \$5,000. Vinson had talked to Salt Springs about invoicing the county for the services they have provided, so the township can be reimbursed by FEMA.


At 10:23 a.m. Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There will be a meeting at the Road and Bridge office between the Commissioners and Waylon Arndt with Re Envision via telecomm equipment at 11:00 a.m. regarding developing plans for the new commission room.

Calendar:

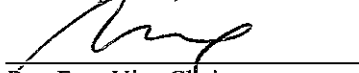
June 10th – Commission Meeting -9:00 a.m.

June 27th – GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg. @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital



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Chuck Spradlin, Chairman



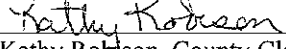
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Ben Fox, Vice Chairman



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Paul Hodge, Member

ATTEST:   
Kathy Robison, County Clerk