Chairman Roy Ballard called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Ben Fox, Paul Hodge, Preston Evenson, Malcolm Obourn, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Kathy Robison.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Fox moved to approve February 27th, 2023 Minutes as written. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge Report:

- Repairs are underway on J Road
- County contracted engineer Michael Maris is slated to attend next week’s meeting to discuss the Hazel Russell Bridge
- It was noted that 380th Road is in need of repair
- Road and Bridge is slated to drop gravel at the Lion’s Park in Eureka
- The Lake Road is in need of repair
- A date has not been set to make repairs to Reece Road at this time
- A curve on the Hamilton/Virgil Road has ruts that need repaired
- A brief discussion ensued regarding the mapping project that Levi Vinson has been working on.

Hodge moved to approve payables in the amount of $135,790.75. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Evenson moved to approve payroll in the amount of $140,302.22. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Donnie McCollum attended the meeting to inquire if the County is zoned. McCollum noted that an individual is building on approximately one acre of land and would like to know if said individual is able to do this. Commissioners were in agreement that 3 acres are needed for a build. County Counselor Paul Dean is slated to send a letter to the landowner in question to inform them of the proper channels needed to attain such a build.

Ben Sims with Greenwood County Extension Office attended the meeting to inform commissioners that he plans on attending the Commission meeting on the first meeting of every month to provide an update to commissioners regarding the Extension Office’s itinerary and involvement in the community.

Sheriff Heath Samuels provided commissioners with the contract between the City of Eureka and the Sheriff’s Department for signatures.

A Crosswinds representative provided commissioners with their annual report which included the budget and overview for 2022.

Maintenance Supervisor Greg Rawlings informed commissioners that part of the roof of the courthouse will need repair in the next year to year and a half. Rawlings is slated to gather bids for said repair. Rawlings also noted that the carpeting project in the courthouse is an estimated 50% complete.

Fox moved to approve the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Renewal for Madison City. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Jeff Pittman with Salt Springs Township attended the meeting to inform commissioners that 40th Road belongs to the Corp of Engineers, although he provided no documentation to support this statement. Pittman also noted that Salt Springs Township is not willing to take on more roads. Pittman was informed that a map to designate county, township and Corp roads is nearly finished; said map will be the guidelines moving forward with any roads in question.

Counselor Paul Dean noted that the Attorney’s Office would like a hard surface floor rather than carpet. Maintenance Supervisor Greg Rawlings informed commissioners that the carpet for the Attorney’s Office has already been purchased and not yet delivered. Rawlings will look into cancelling the order and attempting to get the desired flooring for the Attorney’s Office.

Fox moved to approve a fifteen-minute executive session to discuss employee performance. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting to resume at 10:25 a.m. No decisions were made.

A brief discussion regarding the cleanup in Neal was held.
Ballard inquired if Commissioners have to attend the road viewing as he doesn't believe they need to view the road in question. County Clerk Kathy Robison informed commissioners that a petition was filed, therefore the commission is obligated to view said road.

*Fox moved to adjourn at 10:37 a.m. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.*

Roy Ballard, Chairman

Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge, Member

Malcolm Obourn, Member

Preston Evenson, Member

ATTEST:

Kathy Robison, County Clerk