Commissioner Meeting
May 6, 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 Hodge made a motion to approve April 29, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman updated commissioners on repairs needed for the 770 grader. Chrisman gave commissioners information on an original quote of $4,101.72, and additional repairs, plus labor $1,200. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the quote to repair the 770 grader, not to exceed $7,000. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Chrisman also told commissioners he received estimates for tearing out the two bridges and the repair on the wingwall and found out they need a permit to tear the bridges out. Chrisman said they will be receiving a permit that will last for 5 years. After some discussion on the bridges located on CC50 Rd at 60th and 70th, Commissioners decided to wait on replacing the bridge at 70th for a while, as they are considering using a cement box versus a low water crossing, due to the mass amounts of water that passes through there, when there are heavy rains. Also it was still unclear the cost of Francis Chaplin’s amount to tear the bridges’ out and assist in cleanup. Commissioners decided to table the two bridges on 60th and 70th project until they have more information. Chrisman submitted an estimate from Criqui Construction, Inc. of Melvern for sheet piling and building a new wingwall on a bridge located north of 200th on FF Road, in the amount of $25,225. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the bid to move forward with the project on the bridge north of 200th on FF Road, in the amount of $25,225. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No weekly Treasurer’s Report to review

Commissioners reviewed Fee reports.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payables in the amount of $97,537.16. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $97,428.60. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve abatements. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve a Notice to the Township for a Cereal Malt Beverage (CMB) License for Tri-Corner. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

County Counselor Paul Dean and the commissioners discussed the Greenwood County Code. Dean noted additional changes to the policy. After more discussion, Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the amended Greenwood County Code and Health and Welfare, for signature next week, and to be published next week. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioners revisited their previous discussion about Re Envision, as they had approved a contract last week of $2,500, for options to repurpose the current extension office to accommodate the 5-person commission board. Appraiser Jami Clark was present for the discussion and mentioned she needs more square footage and uses the space, she has now, in the south hall for the equipment and records, but is willing to work with their plans. Concerns expressed by an employee present: (1) fiscal responsibility of spending $2,500 to move people to other offices; (2) felt commissioners could still utilize the commission room, and move to a courtroom when there were more people present at commission meetings; (3) concerned about extension office being moved off campus from the courthouse, causing them to pay rent, we may have to subsidize. The commissioners clarified that the contract with Re Envision included (1) technology guidance, architectural and interior design services, and documentation for permitting and bidding; (2) concerned about exceeding maximum fire code’s occupancy of 21, are not wanting to use courtroom and move the meeting around, commissioners want a room that can be used for another 30 years, with possible video capabilities that can be used for training, etc.; (3) there have been no decisions made about the possibility of the extension office moving from the courthouse.

Kingsley Property discussion was revisited as a letter had been received several weeks ago regarding the status of a piece of the old 400 Highway near Beaumont. County Counselor Paul Dean clarified that the road has never been abandoned/vacated by the county and remains an active township road. Kingsley Properties was interested in moving a fence line to the middle of the road and sharing the fence costs with neighboring property owners. Dean explained they need to rebuild their fence where it currently is, or petition to close the road.

Sheriff Heath Samuels told commissioners he is gathering bids from body shops in the county for a deputy’s Dodge Durango that was damaged on April 27th in a non-injury accident on US 400.

County Clerk Kathy Robison presented a bid to the commissioners in the amount of $7,000 for a software called Redbook that is designed for maintaining a record of real estate transfers, commonly recorded
manually, as one page per property. Information consists of transfer type, current owner, legal description, transfer date, and the book and page that the Register of Deeds has recorded the transaction.

At 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:
May 13th – Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
May 23rd – GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg. @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital
May 27th – Courthouse Closed in observance of Memorial Day
May 28th – Commission Meeting -9:00 a.m.

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

ATTEST:  Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Paul Hodge, Member