Commissioner Meeting
November 26, 2018

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

No Commission Meeting Minutes.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported they are checking roads for slick spots and snow drifts, spots they may have missed from the day before. The new truck/snow plow is working well, have not heard anything about the excavator, Chrisman expects to hear something soon.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly Treasurer’s Report.

Undersheriff Randy Cox reported several weather related accidents on Sunday mostly on US400 with one slide-off on K99. Cox said that KDOT was out trying to salt the roads but the high winds were causing issues.

EMS Director Brian Mongeau reported they transported 11 patients from accidents during the storm. Two ambulances from Eureka, one from Severy and they called in resources from Butler and Elk counties for assistance. The critical patients were transported to Wichita and El Dorado.

Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson reported that they were able to use the new drone that was purchased with courthouse funds this weekend for various events including taking pictures of an accident, searching for a juvenile in a pasture, helping a rancher find missing calves, and assisting Wildlife and Parks and the City of Eureka.

Ron Rader was present and spoke to commissioners about a new quarry that has been proposed near 30th Street and M Road, north of US 400 Highway. Rader said that he and four other neighbors are not in favor of the quarry being built, and he had spoken to several members of the county zoning board and they explained the process. County Clerk Kathy Robison said she was not aware of a permit request being filed at this time.

Appraiser Jamie Clark presented a contract to the commissioners from Bruce with R&S Digital to create the population map for redistricting. Clark suggested that the commissioners contact Bruce with any questions they may have.

Commissioner Hodge asked how much added expense the redistricting is going to cost the county. County Clerk Kathy Robison said it is hard to tell what the total expense is going to be. Commissioner Fox added, “After the first year, it won’t be so bad.”

Appraiser Clark mentioned he’s received several complaints about the increase in taxes, as the city’s portion has more than doubled, at over 200 mills, due to rebuilding the city water plant. Clark said he has been suggesting they call the City of Severy, as this was a city mill levy increase. Commissioner Fox said that the water plant project has been discussed for many years.

Commissioners contacted Bruce with R&S Digital on speaker phone to confirm the fees. The contract lists an anticipated cost for the service of $3,400, which works out to 40 hours at $85 per hour. Bruce said he thought they could fit that timeframe. If for some reason, additional time to complete the project is needed, costs will not exceed $4,500. There was a discussion about including property descriptions with the map as proofs that the voter belongs in that district. The plan is for R&S to provide three different scenarios for the commissioners to look at; show district lines that are population based within a projected two-weeks timeframe. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion that R&S Digital proceed with the project and they accept the quote, starting at $3,400 not to exceed $4,500. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

County Clerk Kathy Robison asked commissioners to confirm courthouse rates for copies, faxing and research. Commissioner Fox made a motion to recommend and approve the following rates: 50 cents for copies, $1 per page for faxing and $25 per hour for research. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried. It was noted that some departments may vary, based on state statutes.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10-minute executive session with EMS Director Brian Mongeau and County Counselor Paul Dean for legal consultation regarding liability concerns for the department.

No decisions were made.

At 10:02 a.m. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

Dec. 3rd - Next Commission Meeting - 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Ben Fox, Chairman

Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman

Chuck Spradlin, Member