Commissioner Meeting
November 4, 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.

No Commission Meeting Minutes.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chismen reported that a bridge had to be repaired east of Severy, at 15th Street and T Road last week to avoid the bridge closure by KDOT. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve paying the amount of the bridge cost $11,380.04 to Tallington Construction LLC. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Chismen also reported that the boxes for 360th arrived this morning and he thought they would be set today.

No weekly Treasurer’s Report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $100,739.98. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables in the amount of $186,980.09. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve an employee verification for Monica Ashdown as a full-time clerk in the Appraiser’s Office at $12.00 per hour. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve an employee verification for Staci Wilson as a full-time employee in the Clerk’s Office at $11.00 per hour, to be reviewed after 90 days. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Noxious Weed Director Levi Vinson told commissioners while searching Purple Wave for a Message Board he found a 2016 Chevrolet crew cab pickup truck worth $30,000 and placed a bid of $15,000 Vinson’s bid was accepted, which is over his spending limit. The total amount was $16,500, which included the auction fee. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the truck in the amount of $16,500. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Vinson also purchased a message board in the amount of $4,290, including auction fee cost. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve the purchase of the message board in the amount of $4,290. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Greenwood County Hospital CEO Sandy Dickerson presented a report and explained it to the commissioners. Dickerson mentioned the hospital anticipated making a payment to Medicare close to $300,000, but they will also be adding a lucrative service line in the radiology department for nuclear medicine.

Treasurer Donna Olson asked the commissioners what they had decided to do with the Micro Loan program. Commissioner Spradlin said they were waiting to hear from Olson. Olson said she has been trying to contact Linda Snyder for more information. Commissioner Spradlin said he will talk to her and ask her to contact Olson.

Ambulance Director Brian Mongeau told commissioners that he is starting to get information about replacing the county’s five defibrillator monitors, as the ones currently being used will be discontinued after December 31st. Mongeau is looking into grants to help purchase ones to replace the current defibrillator monitors. He will bring back more information to a later meeting. Mongeau also informed commissioners he will be talking to a contractor about building a covered entryway into the EMS station crew room, as it has sustained water damage in recent months.

Register of Deed Marsh Ramsey addressed the commissioners regarding a salary increase of $2,000 she received in September of 2019, that was approved by commissioners in an effort to bring her up to a more competitive salary with the Clerk and Treasurer’s salary. In addition to a base salary of approximately $37,000, the Treasurer receives an additional $10,000 from the state for motor vehicle responsibilities and the clerk’s base salary is the same, plus an additional $10,000 from the county for election responsibilities. At the time of the increase, Ramsey understood the $2,000 in September to be a recurring increase or for every year for 5 years to total the $10,000 the other two department heads are earning. Ramsey also asked them to accelerate the salary increase so that she would have the $10,000 sooner. Commissioners felt they did not intend for an additional increase every year, but that it was be a one-time raise. A lengthy discussion was held regarding the subject with the commissioners finally deciding they should look into how other County Register of Deeds are paid.
At 9:55 a.m. Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

November 5th – General City/School Election @ the Matt Samuels Building/Hamilton Community Building/Seader Community Center & Severy Methodist Church from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
November 11th – Courthouse Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day
November 12th – Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
November 12th – Board of Canvass for 2019 City/School Election @ 10:00 a.m.
November 26th – GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg. @ 5:30 p.m. @ GW Co. Hospital

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Chuck Spradlin, Chairman

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Paul Hodge, Member

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Kathy Roednon, County Clerk

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Reed Fox, Vice Chairman

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Paul Hodge, Member