Commission Meeting
September 8th, 2020

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

The commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that he had spoken to KDOT and they are not slated to start construction on Bitler Bridge until next year. Darrel told the commission that county contracted engineer Michael Maris looked at the Virgil Bridge and gave recommendations on how to repair said bridge. Darrel stated that Butler Rural Electric had plans to put up internet towers near Beaumont and possibly Reece, informing the commission that he had received a diagram from Butler Rural Electric regarding their plans. Chrisman reported that Road and Bridge Department has a couple of trucks in the shop for repair. Darrel told commissioners that he is not sure why, or if, Jamie Larcom has started work on Reece Road, stating that Larcom was supposed to start that project last Monday. Commissioner Morgan informed Chrisman that Canyon Hill needed attention.

Commissioners reviewed fee report.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payables in the amount of $112,736.77. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Ballard made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of $108,705.58. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a fifteen minute executive session for legal. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Following the executive session, the decision was made that if an employee were exposed directly or indirectly to COVID-19, that the department head has the authority to send that employee home, with straight pay for 14 days. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve this decision. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. County counselor Paul Dean will send an email to the department heads to inform them of said decision.

County Clerk Kathy Robison inquired about the tax deferral. A brief discussion ensued regarding whether or not to continue to take taxes or use the tax deferral, which would have to be paid back. The decision was made to continue withholding taxes.

Maintenance Supervisor Jason Findley reported that he had not received a bid on carpet for the courthouse yet. Findley is expecting a bid this week.

Commissioner Morgan informed Noxious Weed Director Levi Vinson that he should contact township board members rather than land owners, to get the ditches sprayed for noxious weeds.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next Commission meeting will be held on Monday, September 14th, 2020 at 9 a.m.

ATTEST: Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Paul Hodge, Chairman
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman
Chuck Spradlin Member
Roy Ballard, Member
Robert Joe Morgan, Member