

Commission Meeting
July 6th, 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.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve June 29th, 2020 Minutes. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve June 29th, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that the signing project that was supposed to start at the beginning of July is currently delayed because the company is waiting on posts. Darrel informed Commissioners that as of January 1, 2021 Emporia will start charging Greenwood County for recycling, although he was not sure on the specifics of cost at the time. A brief discussion ensued regarding the future of Greenwood County's recycling program. No decisions were made at this time. Commissioner Ballard informed Darrel there is still a washout on AA Road, Darrel responded they are working on that project.

Commissioner Hodge asked County Counselor Paul Dean about township meetings. Hodge questioned, "Are they supposed to have a place, other than a person's home to have a meeting in?" Paul Dean responded that they don't have to as long as it is an announced meeting and open to the public. Paul Dean continued saying that the decision is ultimately a Board decision. The Board is not in the wrong, if they decide to hold the meeting in an individual's home.

Road and Bridge employee Jennifer Watts presented commissioners with the Road and Bridge Budget.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve Special Payables in the amount of \$7,317.78. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Stu Meckel informed commissioners that Greenwood County is going to receive 1.2 million dollars through the SPARK Program, which has to be spent by December. If that money is not utilized, it will have to be sent back. These funds have to be spent on COVID-19 related expenditures. Meckel suggested setting up a committee to specifically handle the SPARK funds and where to utilize those funds. Discussion ensued regarding committee members. The decision was made for Stu Meckel and Ben Fox to be members of the committee. Levi Vinson and Nurse Vicki Lindsey-Ross will be resources for said committee. The remaining members will be decided at a later time. The decision was made to make Commissioner Ben Fox the primary point of contact for the county and the SPARK Program. County Counselor Paul Dean will be the secondary point of contact.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve Resolution 20-15; not requiring citizens to wear a face mask. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried. (See Resolution 20-15)

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve Resolution 20-16, regarding SPARK funds. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried. (See Resolution 20-16)

County Attorney Joe Lee presented the County Attorney's Budget.

Register of Deeds Marsha Ramsey presented the idea of moving the school district records that are currently located in the Register of Deeds' office, to the Historical Society. County Counselor Paul Dean stated he would draft a Resolution for the County and an agreement for the Historical Society.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to adjourn at 10:45 a.m. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next Commission Meeting will be held Monday, July 6th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Paul Hodge
Paul Hodge, Chairman

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Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

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Chuck Spradlin Member

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Roy Ballard, Member

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Robert Joe Morgan, Member

ATTEST: Kathy Robison
Kathy Robison, County Clerk