

**GREENWOOD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 17, 2022**

Vice Chairman Ben Fox called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Ben Fox, Chuck Spradlin, Robert Morgan, Paul Hodge, County Counselor Paul Dean County Clerk Kathy Robison and Deputy County Clerk Deann McCaffree. Commissioner Ballard was not in attendance.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Commissioner Hodge moved to approve October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Minutes, as written. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 4-0.***

***Fox moved to approve a correction to the September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Minutes, to include that the 2023 Budget hearing was held on that date and that there were no residents present to discuss the matter. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 4-0.***

Road and Bridge Report:

- KDEM called last week informing Darrel they are trying to expedite the Hazel/Russell bridge project.
- Judd Everitt is still making repairs to the bridge located on 300<sup>th</sup> Road.
- Crews are working to get all snow plows up and running.
- Darrel informed commissioners he was able to win the bid for lowboy in the amount of \$66,000.

***Spradlin moved to approve the purchase of the lowboy at a cost of \$66,000. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 4-0.***

- Darrel informed commissioners that he has an employee in mind for the Road and Bridge department, who holds a class B license and also has experience with a skid steer and a loader. Chrisman would like to start her at \$15 per hour. The commission held no opposition.
- Department graders have had recent tire issues.

Commissioners reviewed Treasurer's report. No decisions were made.

***Morgan moved to approve payables in the amount of \$543,118.82. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Spradlin noted the large is due to the Christian Hills Bridge project.***

***Morgan moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$130,737.07. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0.***

Commissioners reviewed fee reports for July & August 2022. No decisions were made.

Greenwood County resident C.A. Floyd attended the meeting to discuss the ongoing road dispute between Floyd's and Rader's land. Floyd would like the commission to make the decision to either open or close the road, as Rader's side of said road is closed, yet Floyd has been forced to open gates on his side. Hodge spoke in favor of closing the road in question. Floyd noted the Sheriff's Department informed him that he needed to open his gates. County Counselor Paul Dean stated that the commission made the decision at a prior meeting that both parties could keep their gates closed, not locked, so as to afford each land owner access to their respective properties. Commissioners noted that Floyd and Rader need to come to an agreement.

Greenwood County Hospital Pharmacy Manager Isaac Boone informed commissioners that the Hospital is having trouble getting patients transferred from the Greenwood County Hospital to higher care. Boone would like this matter addressed. Ambulance Director Brian Mongeau noted that he had spoken with Boone and discussed different options, one of which included a \$100 incentive for part-time crews. Spradlin voiced his concerns regarding an incentive option but noted that he was not opposed to the idea. All parties involved will continue to look into the matter.

Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson informed commissioners the 800 radios need reprogramming; the cost of which is an estimated \$7,000. Levi recommended the funds come out of the General Fund. Sheriff Heath Samuels also spoke in favor of getting the 800 radios reprogrammed. Commissioners would like Vinson to gather bids and present them at a later meeting.

***Spradlin moved to approve a ten-minute executive session with Health Department Director Vicki Lindsay to afford discussion for employee performance. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting reconvened at 10:23 a.m. No decisions were made.***

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*Fox moved to approve hiring Beverly Signer as a part-time PRN for the Health Department at a pay rate of \$20 per hour. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

*Spradlin moved to approve a ten-minute executive session with County Clerk Kathy Robison to afford discussion pertaining to employee evaluation. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m. No decisions were made.*

*Spradlin moved to approve moving County Clerk employee Staci Crumrine to Election Deputy at a pay rate of \$14.23 per hour; with back pay from September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022; when Crumrine assumed the position. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

County Counselor Paul Dean noted the tax sale that was recently held produced an estimated \$120,000.

*Morgan moved to adjourn at 10:37 a.m. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

ATTEST: Kathy Robison  
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Roy A. Ballard  
Roy Ballard, Chairman

Ben Fox  
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Chuck Spradlin  
Chuck Spradlin, Member

Paul Hodge  
Paul Hodge, Member

Robert Joe Morgan  
Robert Joe Morgan, Member