

Chairman Roy Ballard called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Ben Fox, Mac Obourn, Preston Evenson, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Kathy Robison. Paul Hodge was not present.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Fox moved to approve August 14, 2023 Minutes as written. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

Road and Bridge report:

- County contracted engineer Micheal Maris is slated to be in Greenwood County tomorrow.

*Commissioner Obourn moved to approve a quote from Everitt Concrete for bridge repairs in the amount of \$14,900. Fox seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

- Employment verification for Carey Bonfiglio was presented to commissioners. Chrisman would like to hire Bonfiglio for the landfill position at a full-time pay rate of \$15/hour.

*Evenson moved to approve employment verification for Carey Bonfiglio at a full-time pay rate of \$15/hour. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

- A Road and Bridge truck is at the shop in need of a clutch replacement in the amount of \$2,800.
- The deck at Tadpole Creek Bridge is slated to be poured around the 24<sup>th</sup> or the 31<sup>st</sup> of this month.
- The bridge west of Hamilton is reportedly on schedule for the completion date.
- Road and Bridge employee John Schouten is in Missouri at a vehicle auction.

*Evenson moved to approve the purchase of a vehicle for Road and Bridge in the amount of up to \$183,050 plus a 10% buyer's fee. Fox seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

*Obourn moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$143,491.89. Fox seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

*Fox moved to approve payables in the amount of \$172,540.81. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

*Evenson moved to approve special payables in the amount of \$6,114.62. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

Health Department Supervisor Vicki Lindsay provided commissioners with a grant for mental health in the amount of \$73,000 for signature. (JE 23-21) She would like the \$73,000 as its own line item within her budget, noting that if they haven't spent all of the money in four years, they have to give it back. Lindsay also noted that the grant for the computer has been denied.

Commissioner Evenson asked Lindsay if there is a cool off station in Eureka for residents, as the heat has been triple digits for several days. Lindsay noted the library could be utilized as such. A brief discussion ensued regarding an action plan in the event that Greenwood County lost power; it was noted that the courthouse and Health Department both have backup generators if the need were to present itself.

Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson provided an update to commissioners regarding having been in local schools for training in the event of an emergency. Vinson told commissioners that he is at a point in the mapping project that he took on earlier in the year, where a resolution will be needed following an updated contract expected from the Corps of Engineers.

Commissioner Ballard noted that he has heard from a resident wanting to close 320<sup>th</sup> road near Madison. A brief discussion was held regarding this matter. No decisions were made.

Ambulance Director Brian Mongeau told commissioners that the truck that had been at John North Ford for repairs is back in commission; noting that a second vehicle is in need of repair. Mongeau also noted that the ambulance in Madison cannot be utilized as the air conditioner is not working.

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*Fox moved to approve a ten-minute executive session with Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman and County Counselor Paul Dean to discuss personnel. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting reconvened at 9:55 a.m. No decisions were made.*

Commissioner Ballard stated that Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman is slated to retire on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Commissioners thanked Chrisman for his service to Greenwood County.

Commissioner Fox informed fellow commissioners that a video conference is slated to be held later this week regarding the Greenwood County Hospital bond that was talked about in a recent meeting. The decision was made for commissioners Obourn and Fox to attend said video conference.

*Commissioner Evenson moved to adjourn at 10:00 a.m. Fox seconded. Motion carried 4-0.*

ATTEST: Kathy Robinson  
Kathy Robinson, County Clerk

Roy Ballard  
Roy Ballard, Chairman

Ben Fox  
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge  
Paul Hodge, Member

Malcolm Obourn  
Malcolm Obourn, Member

Preston Evenson  
Preston Evenson, Member