Commission Meeting November 2, 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, Chuck Spradlin, Robert Joe Morgan, Kathy Robison County Clerk and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve October 26th, 2020 Minutes. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that the original quote he had received for the boxes on the Reece project was \$9,000, which did not include the toe walls. He said the addition of toe walls for each end brought the bid for the project to \$19,000. Darrel stated he was waiting for additional bids to be submitted. He then told commissioners that he had received a call from Judd Everitt, who had expressed interest in completing the necessary work for the State Street Bridge approach and that he and Everitt would continue to discuss the matter. Chrisman told commissioners that one of the trucks had damage to the hood and asked permission to proceed with repairs totaling \$8,499.32. Commissioner Fox told Chrisman to wait until he hears back from the insurance company before proceeding with repairs. Darrel said the delivery date for the trailers that were approved for purchase at a previous commission meeting is slated for December, after a brief discussion with company representatives. Chrisman told commissioners that he did not have the winning bid for the snowplow he was bidding on. Commissioner Hodge told Darrel he had questions from the public inquiring on whether or not Road and Bridge employees could work on a Friday or Saturday and take off a day during the week to work on grading roads. Darrel responded that some employees would be open to it. Commissioner Ballard told Chrisman he had received a couple call pertaining to the condition of Blakely Road near Madison. Chrisman stated they are currently working on it.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$294,775.74. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payroll in the amount \$112,577.86. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Waylon Arndt from ReEnvision LLC attended the meeting via Zoom to discuss renovations at the Greenwood County Hospital including the replacement of the HVAC system. Arndt asked permission to move forward with renovations using an international building code, due to the fact that that Greenwood County does not have a specific building code. Commissioners had no objections. No formal actions were taken.

Ian Martell attended the commission meeting to ask permission for the County to continue to waive the tipping fees for the City to clean and haul off demolished houses. Commissioners had no objections.

Commissioners revisited the discussion with KwiKom representative Eric Vogel regarding towers. Commissioners informed Vogel that they do not own the land that the Madison tower is located on. Once KwiKom and the property owner reach an agreement, Vogel will approach the discussion again with the Commission. Commissioners informed Vogel that the City of Eureka owns the property and tower located near the Greenwood County Hospital.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve a ten minute executive session at 9:47 a.m. for legal discussion. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. The commission reconvened at 9:57 a.m. No decisions were made.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve a ten minute executive session that would include Levi Vinson, at 9:57 a.m. for the same legal discussion. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. The commission reconvened at 10:07 a.m. No decisions were made.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to adjourn at 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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

asked that persons that test positive and have not heard from the Health Department on the same day to please call and notify them. Vicki also said she knew that the Commissioners didn't believe in mandating mask, but still believes they should be mandated. Vicki said she knows of more serious cases of COVID-19 people who have been hospitalized. She said at least a mandate in public places would help protect people.

Vicki Lindsey-Ross then presented employment verification for LPN Melissa McFadden at the proposed rate of \$18 per hour for the County's COVID-19 Testing Facility. Vicki said she intends to start her out Monday and Friday full days and Wednesday half day. She also will help do contact tracing as needed. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to hire Melissa at \$18 an hour part - time employment, and commissioner Fox 2nd the motion, motion carried 4-0.

Court House Maintenance Supervisor Jason Findley reported recent plumbing issues have come up and told the commissioners that the pipes running from the County Attorney's office had collapsed. He also said there had been issues with the public restrooms as well. Findley stated that he contacted Thornton Plumbing and Electric, but has not received an estimate as of yet. Findely intends to start digging on Wednesday and depending on what they run into the court house may be closed on Thursday.

Hospital CEO Sandra Dickerson reported that the Greenwood County Hospital's PPP loan has been forgiven and the bank has been paid.

Before concluding the meeting there was much discussion regarding employees having their temperature taken at the Courthouse. Spradlin made a motion for all courthouse employees to have their temperature taken first thing when arriving, Fox 2nd the motion and motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Paul Hodge made a motion to adjourn at 10:22am, Commissioner Ben Fox 2nd the motion, motion carried 4-0.

The next meeting will be November 16th at 9:00a.m.

Paul Hodge, Chairman

Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Chuck Spradlin Member

Row Ballard, Member

Robert Ice Morgan, Member