Commissioner Meeting December 26, 2018

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

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve December 17, 2018 minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that the landfill is looking like the tornado debris is done; he is working on a three-year equipment plan by identifying what needs replaced or fixed, as well an equipment "wish list." Chrisman also told commissioners that there are 2-3 vacant positions at Road and Bridge, but he is having a hard time finding qualified applicants. Chrisman is going to check a bridge on 60th and GG Road and a guardrail at Reece that was hit over the weekend.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Stan McDaniel spoke to commissioners about a portion of S50 Road, between 80th and 99 Highway, south of Climax, that he said needed gravel and said he believed was a county road. Chrisman said he researched and his records show that it is a township road. The commissioners and Chrisman decided to take a look at the one mile stretch of road before making a decision and discuss it at next week's meeting.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve the 3rd Quarter Financial Report. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve a Cereal Malt Beverage (CMB) License for Kerosene Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The commissioners signed the 1.4% COLA raise sheets that had been approved at the December 10, 2018 commission meeting.

Ambulance Director Brian Mongeau asked commissioners permission to purchase a new steel door at the EMS station. Materials are estimated at \$1,020. The commissioners approved the purchase.

Noxious Weed/Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson told the commissioners that the Greenwood County Hospital is willing to donate their old generator to the county for use at Road and Bridge. Vinson said it's still in good condition and would be large enough to power those facilities in the event of an outage. Vinson also suggested that the county purchase several portable generators to have on hand, in the event of an emergency, to set up shelters in surrounding communities. He would like to see a shelter in the north (Madison), central (Eureka) and southern (Severy) regions of the county. Vinson relayed that grant opportunities will be available in 2019 that could help in purchasing generators. He will bring information back to a future commission meeting. Vinson also updated the commissioners on pending FEMA claims pertaining to the October 2018 flooding. He said the deadline to declare the event was December 24th, but with the government shutdown on December 21st, everything is in limbo. They believe an extension will be given, but Vinson added, "It may be bad news." Vinson talked to the commissioners about changing the lighting in the Noxious Weed building, and they approved.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve a Freedom Claims Management Agreement for one year. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Correspondence was received by AT&T about rate increases.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve the draft that was presented to them last week, mandated by KORA, which outlines procedures for requesting open records, timelines, and a fee structure. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

At 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

At 10:37 a.m. commissioners reconvened, as Noxious Weed/ Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson talked to commissioners about the Noxious Weed employee he had budgeted for to begin in 2019. The employee was to help with spraying and brush trimming, etc., and is actually a current employee of the Road and Bridge Department that was going to transfer to Noxious Weed after the first of the year. Vinson explained that this employee has been working in the recycling program, at least three days per week, even with the help of an inmate crew. There was some discussion on ways to reduce the amount of time spent on recycling each week. The commissioners suggested that Vinson talk to Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman, and Office Manager Janet Turner for a plan of action to move forward.

At 10:52 a.m. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The commissioners held a work session after the meeting to discuss year-end transfers.

Calendar:

December 31st - Courthouse Closes @ 11:30 a.m. for year-end / 1:00 p.m. Year-End Dinner @ Matt Samuels' Bldg for County Employees

January 1st - Courthouse Closed in observance of the New Year Holiday

January 7th - Next Commission Meeting - 9:00 a.m.

Chuck Spradlin, Member

Kathy Rollson, County Clerk