

Commissioner Meeting
July 3, 2017

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, Brian Hind, and Kathy Robison, County Clerk. Paul Dean, County Counselor arrived at 9:20 a.m.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve June 26, 2017 minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reported that they will be starting Wednesday on extending the bridges that keep washing out that they discussed last week; Lowe contacted Judd Everitt for a bid on R Road and will hopefully receive it this week for a slab on a low water bridge there; Lowe had Zach Marshall install a culvert on X Road before Neal and back to the north; measured all of the driveways Friday by Matthew Galbraiths' place to ditch the area to get prepared before the overlay project on the road; regravelling the lake road from the fire barn to the T Road intersection again; Lowe is having Josh Wells put new brakes on one of the belly dump trucks; received a call from Matt Strickler, of Bachelor Township, asking if Road and Bridge could mow their ditches. There was some discussion, but Commissioner Fox said he didn't think the Road and Bridge Department had enough time to do that with all of their other duties and projects they have right now. Lowe reported that they are still working on their budget and they should have it done by next week. Commissioner Hind said Lowe needs to make sure they have enough money in this years' budget to finish out the year. Commissioner Hodge was contacted by a tax payer about getting a couple of "Children at Play" signs to put out in the country. Lowe said the place Commissioner Hodge is talking about is on a township road so it would be up to the township. Lowe said if the township wants Road and Bridge to order the sign and pay for it they can do it that way, or if Road and Bridge already has some, they can buy them. Commissioner Hodge also reported that out by Vic Ming's he wanted to know if they could put a Speed Limit sign. Lowe said they would need to have a resolution if they want to lower the speed limit because the speed limit on an unposted gravel road is 55 mph. Commissioner Hind mentioned a bridge on 340 and Z Road. Commissioner Hind also asked about the road west of the county line.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$88,737.84. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$124,183.08. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The commissioners viewed a certificate of liability form MKEC Engineering, Inc.

Doug Williams, County Fire Chief, submitted the 2018 County Fire Budget Request in the amount of \$233,600. The 2017 Budget Request was \$230,600. The additional \$3,000 was to cover extra costs of building the Reece fire barn. Commissioner Hodge asked if they had started the building yet, and Chief Williams told him that the concrete has been poured and it looks good. Williams discussed a grant that Greenwood County had received for bunker gear, which some of it has been stolen and torn up since then, or doesn't fit the new men now. Williams is planning on applying for another grant to try to replace bunker gear and equipment that is needed. Williams discussed some of the projects he is planning and said he is needing a building for storage. The fire department has 37 vehicles, soon to be 15 fire buildings, a part-time chief, and 125 volunteers. Williams said this is all done with less than what the county pays most of the department heads.

Undersheriff Randy Cox notified the commissioner's that they are hiring a new Deputy, Skylar Green, from Oklahoma, at \$13.15 per hour. Deputy Ryan Bables is past his 90 day probationary period, with the condition that if they complete all of their F.D.O. programs, their pay rate will change from \$13.15 per hour to \$13.50 per hour. Deputy Michael Cordell is also very close to meeting his 90 day probationary period, with the requirements necessary. Rodney Craig has been a volunteer reserve officer for 10 years, has completed a two week, part-time class, so his pay rate change is from \$12.15 per hour to \$13.15 per hour.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve the payrate change of Reserve Officer Rodney Craig from \$12.15 per hour to \$13.15 per hour, due to a two-week part-time class he completed. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve the payrate change of Deputy Michael Cordell from \$13.15 per hour to \$13.50 per hour, due to his completion of his 90 day probationary period and the necessary F.D.O. program requirements. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve the payrate change of Deputy Ryan Bables from \$13.15 per hour to \$13.50 per hour, due to his completion of his 90 day probationary period and the necessary F.D.O. program requirements. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve an employee verification to hire Skylar Green as a full-time Deputy of the Sheriff's Department at \$13.15 per hour. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Undersheriff, Randy Cox submitted the 2018 Sheriff's Department Budget Request in the amount of \$1,379,814.67. The 2017 Budget amount approved was \$1,323,000. Some of the plans for the 2018 budget includes a 2018 Office Pay Plan, changing the Undersheriff from an hourly rate employee to salary, and to add \$24,500 to the capital outlay budget line to be used for vehicle purchase and up fit. In a letter to the commissioners, Sheriff Samuels said over the next three years he would like to add additional money to this line and allow the purchase of new vehicles as needed; Samuels is still researching this but has found it is better to trade in a vehicle at a lower mileage and purchase a new one, rather than running a vehicle for several years until things start going wrong with it thus needing to replace it. Undersheriff Cox also mentioned using funds from the sale they have every year to aide in the purchase of vehicles.

The 2018 CASA Budget Request, in the amount of \$1,000, was turned in before the meeting. The 2017 Budget Request was also \$1,000.

The 2018 Historical Society Budget Request, in the amount of \$7,500, was turned in before the meeting. The 2017 Budget Request was also \$7,500.

Commissioner Hind made a motion for 10 minute executive session for legal with Paul Dean County Counselor. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

Commissioner Hind made a motion for a 10 minute executive session for personnel with Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 10 minutes was added to the executive session.

No decision was made.

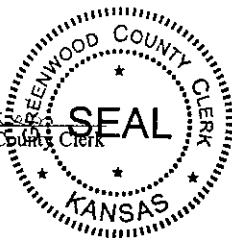
At 10:23 a.m. Commissioner Hind made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:

July 10th – Next Commission Meeting – 9:00a.m.

July 27th – GW Co. Hosp. Board Mtg @ 5:30p.m. – GW Co. Hosp. Conference Room

ATTEST: *Kathy Robison*
Kathy Robison, County Clerk



Ben Fox
Ben Fox, Chairman

Paul Hodge
Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman

Brian Hind
Brian Hind, Member