

Commissioner Meeting
March 2nd, 2020

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

The Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Chuck Spradlin made a motion to approve February 24th, 2020 minutes. Commissioner Roy Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported having finalized the guardrail projects to the bridge located on L road and 180th street, and on 360th and P road. Darrel reported County truck 6 "went down", had to be towed and was in need of repairs. Darrel also stated they are trying to get some of the potholes under control. Commissioner Morgan expressed concerns regarding the Landfill road, stating "you could park a car in some of them holes." Morgan also mentioned that repairs needed to be done on Reece road. In addition to those needed repairs, Morgan stated work needed to be done to divert water flow to the box located at 136th street. Concerned residents of Reece and surrounding areas presented Commissioners with a signed petition requesting that the county use chip and seal materials to repair Reece road. Road and Bridge Department will contact County Engineer Michael Maris to discuss repair options. Repairs to Reece road continue to be a priority. The Road and Bridge Department is currently working to develop a lasting solution for Reece road.

Commissioner Ben Fox made a motion to approve a twenty minute executive session with Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman and Road and Bridge employee Janet Turner for employee evaluation. Commissioner Roy Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried. No decisions were made. A five minute recess followed.

Commissioner Ben Fox made a motion to approve Adds and Abatements in the amount of \$2,289.36. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Maintenance Supervisor Jason Findley requested a ten minute executive session for employee evaluation. Commissioner Chuck Spradlin made a motion to approve a ten minute executive session. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Following the session, the decision was made to approve a pay rate change for part time maintenance employee Mandi Stapleford from \$10.16 per hour to \$12.50 per hour and for full time maintenance employee David Knotts from \$11.86 to \$12.50 per hour. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve pay rate changes for the afore mentioned employees. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Maintenance Supervisor Jason Findley provided Commissioners with an update regarding the county trenching project. Findley reported having spoken with Thornton's Plumbing and Electric and digging is scheduled to start this week.

Commissioner Fox revisited their previous discussion concerning a boom lift. Findley stated that a boom lift would aid in several ongoing maintenance projects. Commissioner Fox stated that he received estimates regarding the possibility of renting a lift, rather than purchasing one. Fox stated that United Rentals offers a 34-foot lift at a rate of \$297 per day and \$850 per week and JRS in El Dorado, offers a 45-foot lift at a rate of \$230 per day and \$805 per week. Commissioner Spradlin asked Noxious Weed Director Levi Vinson if a bucket truck would be used by his department when they trim trees. Vinson stated that if the bucket was insulated, the department could use the truck rather than hiring contractors to complete jobs they are not equipped for. County Counselor Paul Dean stated a boom truck would be more economical and have a wider range of uses versus a boom lift. The decision was made for commissioners to explore the possibility of purchasing a boom truck.

Hospital CEO Sandy Dickerson presented Commissioners with a Hospital financial report. Dickerson stated the Hospital's recent audit showed the facility taking in \$107,000 income.

Commissioner Chuck Spradlin made a motion to adjourn at 10:07 A.M. Commissioner Roy Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next Commission meeting will be held Monday, March 9th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Paul Hodge
Paul Hodge, Chairman

Ben Fox
Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Chuck Spradlin
Chuck Spradlin Member

Roy Ballard
Roy Ballard, Member

Robert Joe Morgan
Robert Joe Morgan, Member

ATTEST: Kathy Robison
Kathy Robison, County Clerk