

Commissioner Meeting
October 10, 2017

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

It was announced that Vicki Ross, RN was hired as the Greenwood County Health Department RN/Department Head. Starting pay will be \$26.00 an hour and her starting date is October 30, 2017. Commissioner Fox said she will work a few days before her official start date to get acclimated with the Health Department as her other schedule allows. The employment verification for approval will be submitted next week.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve October 2, 2017 minutes. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reported that crews have been hauling a lot of rock south of Virgil; Zach Marshall is starting on the Ladd Bridge project today, and the road will be closed from V to U on 70th for approximately 3 days; they will use big rock they hauled out of the landfill. Lowe reported he is trying to find a certified welder for the bridge at H and 270th. Lowe said he talked to Dave Tuck who said he's a certified welder but you have to have a certified welder inspector there at the same time. Tuck is actually both, but can't act as both. Commissioner Hind mentioned he thought Levi Seaton may be a certified welder and then maybe Dave Tuck could inspect it. Lowe also reported crews have been trimming trees; today they are hauling barricades and blocks to Ladd Bridge to keep people out. Commissioner Hind mentioned that one of the Twin Grove Board members told him there are two bridges on Road 30 that he wants new bridges there. Commissioner Hind asked Road and Bridge Office Secretary, Amber Woodie, if she had a chance to look at that yet and tell Road and Bridge Supervisor, Roger Lowe. Commissioner Hind also told Lowe he received a complaint about their gravel project on Virgil Road saying they were mixing too much mud with the gravel. Commissioner Hind spoke to someone else, in that area, about the situation who said that part was fine, the rest of the road needs work. Woodie reported that engineer Michael Marris finished the county bridge inspections and plans on coming in to discuss it with the commissioners next Monday. Commissioner Hind told Lowe that there is another township that is ready to trade another grader in and it has 2500 hours on it so he thinks the county should try to buy it. They are planning on keeping the grader until the first of the year and the warranty will have run out by then so they may need to see what kind of warranty they can get. Hind asked if Lowe was going to trade one of the 670 graders. Lowe said he has two to choose from; one with 8,000 hours, and the other with 7,000 hours. Lowe also reported that the John Deere Dozer needs repair and is going to Francis Chaplin. Lowe said he would contact John Talkington, certified welder, about the bridge project; at H and 270th, as well, he had been mentioned last week and had done some work for the City of Madison.

The commissioners viewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Amber Woodie, Road & Bridge Secretary, informed commissioner that after research, Noxious Weeds Director, Levi Vinson has determined that a fair price for an 18" x 4" two-sided address sign should be \$12 to the public. The commissioners approved it and recommended that interested people should contact the Road and Bridge if they would like to purchase one.

Dale Kirkham brought an invitation to participate in Cattlemen's Day on November 4, 2017 and asked them to ride in the parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Fogle attended the meeting in regard to the portion of land located at GG Road, south of U.S. 400, in Salt Springs Township. The Fogle brought "public" information, dating back to 2002, for the commission regarding the property to review. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Daley were also in attendance. The Daleys' have attended the last several commission meetings to provide information on the road issue, as they are in litigation, and previously the county had also been told they may be named in the case.

Paul Dean, County Counselor, requested a 5 minute executive session for legal reasons with the commissioners. Commissioner Fox made a motion for the 5 minute executive session for legal. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

After returning from executive session the commissioners announced that they have been advised by County Counselor Dean to not discuss the matter any further because there is litigation in place and any decision they made would be subject to judicial review.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$88,149.87. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$186,315.63. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve an abatement in the amount of \$6,477.52. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A letter was received from Chuck Hayes to hold a 10K walk/run in Eureka, Kansas October 27, 2018. The event would start at Lion's Park, continue across State Street Bridge, where participants would make their way up Canyon Hill, around the loop, and back to the park. Undersheriff Randy Cox asked that he contact the Sheriff's Office to review the route. Commissioners approved the event with the stipulation that Hayes coordinate with the Sheriff's Department and Hayes would be responsible for making sure that he has proper safety precautions in place (i.e.

volunteers to direct traffic, etc). Hayes is also aware that he needs to have insurance for the event and is checking in to it.

Undersheriff Randy Cox told the commissioners that another Sheriff's Department vehicle has been damaged by hitting a deer. The vehicle had a brush guard on it and was driven below the speed limit at the time of impact, but the deer bounced off the guard and tore the fender off one side. Cox also reported that the engine blew in one of their vehicles that has a little over 100,000 miles. They have ordered a remanufactured motor with a little over 6,000 miles on it and a three year warranty. Their plan is to use that vehicle for transporting inmates and juveniles.

Commissioner Fox reported that two switches for the network will be ordered and he will install them.

The Road and Bridge Department has received a large invoice pertaining to the chip/seal projects in the county. Commissioner Hind said to take all of the money that is in the Special Highway fund first then use Road and Bridge commodities to pay whatever is leftover for the chip/seal projects.

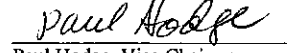
At 10:16 a.m. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

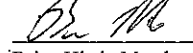
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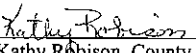
October 16th – Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.

October 26th – GW Co. Hosp. Board Mtg @ 5:30p.m. – GW Co. Home Health Conference Room


Ben Fox, Chairman


Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman


Brian Hind, Member

ATTEST: 
Kathy Robison, County Clerk