

COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2021

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

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Spradlin moved to approve August 30th, 2021 Minutes. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge report:

- A bypass that had been placed last week was reportedly washed out this weekend due to rain.
- Hamilton/Virgil Bridge is clogged with debris due to the amount of inclement weather received over the weekend.
- Darrel reported that crews are currently working to repair wash-outs.
- Chrisman informed commissioners that he located a 1-ton Chevrolet truck he would like to purchase for \$22,000. Spradlin moved to approve a \$22,000 allotment for said vehicle. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- Chrisman presented commissioners with the following raises for Road and Bridge Department employees:
 - Ross Anello moving from \$15.23 to \$15.48 per hour
 - Marlin Beitz moving from \$15.23 to \$15.98 per hour
 - Miles Bidwell moving from \$15.23 to \$15.98 per hour
 - Douglas Bishop moving from \$14.48 to \$15.23 per hour
 - Gary Boles moving from \$15.49 to \$15.74 per hour
 - Daniel Butler moving from \$14.97 to \$15.22 per hour
 - Robert Cohen moving from \$15.20 to \$15.95 per hour
 - James English moving from \$15.49 to \$16.24 per hour
 - Daniel Knox moving from \$14.98 to \$15.23 per hour
 - Kassie Lazar moving from \$14.69 to \$15.44 per hour
 - Ronald Mast moving from \$14.70 to \$15.45 per hour
 - Harold Eric McLean moving from \$15.23 to \$15.48 per hour
 - John Schouten moving from \$16.72 per hour to \$17.47 per hour
 - Andrew Shaw moving from \$14.53 to \$14.78 per hour
 - Jennifer Watts moving from \$14.18 to \$14.93 per hour
- Spradlin moved to accept all raises presented. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- Chrisman posed questions regarding the truck that is in Winfield right now for repairs. He asked the commission what should be done with said vehicle. Ballard stated that it would cost the same amount of money to repair the truck as it would cost to replace it. Ballard expressed support in moving forward with repairs.
- Fox moved to approve up to \$22,000 to repair said truck. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Fox moved to approve payables in the amount of \$187,585.30. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Morgan moved to accept payroll in the amount of \$122,734.40. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners signed the special amounts payable that were approved at the previous meeting in the amount of \$254.02.

Fox moved to approve the Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips Agreement for the 2022 audit in the amount of \$17,000 with the possibility of an additional single audit fee of \$2,500. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Greenwood County Fire Chief Doug Williams presented commissioners with a propane contract with SEK COOP in the amount of \$4,650. Ballard moved to accept said contract. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

County Clerk Kathy Robison informed commissioners that Salt Springs Township Treasurer Ruby Bunyard has resigned. Commissioner Hodge moved to appoint Cindy McNeil as Salt Springs Township Clerk. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Hodge moved to appoint Stacy Vickery as Salt Springs Township Treasurer. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Fox moved to approve a fifteen minute executive session to discuss employee performance. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting reconvened at 10:05 a.m. No decisions were made.

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Last week, commissioners approved an allotment of \$30,000 to pay SCKEDD to provide grant administration services for the funds received through the American Rescue Plan Act. Commissioners approached the subject once again with Ballard expressing opposition to paying \$30,000 to SCKEDD for those services stating, "To me, I think that's money spent poorly." County Counselor Paul Dean noted that he believes Greenwood County only had two remaining reports to file. Commissioner Fox stated that he did not have time to take on the reports that SCKEDD had previously provided assistance with. Fox asked County Clerk Kathy Robison if her office would take on the job; Robison is slated to look into the matter. Commissioners made the decision to revisit the matter at a later date.


County Clerk Kathy Robison approached the commission with questions regarding County Handbook policies. The handbook currently states that an employee can spend \$20 per meal, not to exceed \$50 per day. Robison asked the policy be changed to read \$50 per day and anything exceeding that amount will be left to the discretion of the Department heads. Fox moved to make said revisions in the County handbook. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Hodge moved to adjourn at 10:34 a.m. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

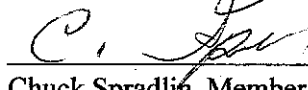
ATTEST: _____
Kathy Robison, County Clerk



Ben Fox, Chairman



Roy Ballard, Vice Chairman



Chuck Spradlin, Member



Paul Hodge, Member



Robert Joe Morgan, Member