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

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve the minutes of October 30, 2023, Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge report:

- Interim Road Supervisor, John Schouten, reported that road crews have been working to catch up on road work since the last heavy rain.
- Schouten has sent a truck to Emporia for mechanical repairs.
- Road signs have been put up west of Hamilton to close the Short Bridge.
- Commissioner Fox ask about the 220th and B road crossing/bridge, which he had received calls about the condition of the crossing.
- Commissioner Evenson discussed Fall River Bridge and pot holes in the roadway with John Schouten and Allan Greenwood.
- Commissioner Hodge discussed recycling of boxes and the need for the boxes to be flatted.

Treasure's Report was reviewed by the Commissioners.

Clerk's Agenda: No presentations were made.

Presentation of Payables:

• Commissioner Obourn made a motion to approve Special Payables in the amount of \$26,105.46. Commissioner Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business:

- Diana Eckles a resident of Greenwood County, talked to the commissioner about an alleyway that runs along her property, which she would like to have vacated. Eckles said she has had a survey complete on her property. Commissioner Ballard word like to see the survey, before they make any discissions. Marsha Ramsey, Register of Deeds reviewed the documents pertaining to the area of south Washington and noted that the section in question is not reflected within the plats as an alley. Paul Dean Legal Counsel, add that if this was not a recorded easement, all that needed to be done is to change the map.
- Scott Day with Day Insurance discussed Delta Dental coverage which the county currency
 dental provider. Day also discussed Blue Cross and Blue Shield Dental plan. Both plan and the
 rate for coverage was presented. Commissioner Ballard made a motion to accept Blue Cross
 and Blue Shield. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business: No presentations were made.

Executive Session:

- Commissioner Fox called for a 10-minute executive session with Brian Mongeau, legal consultation. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Reconvened at 9:40 a.m., no decisions were made.
- Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10-minute executive session on legal consultation.
 Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Reconvened at 9:52 a, m. with no decisions.

Brian Mongeau talked to the commissioners about EMR training for \$650.00 per person. Commissioner Evenson made a motion to pay the fee for the EMR training. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

• Commissioner Hodge made a motion for a 15-minute executive session for non-elected personnel evaluation, asking Clerk Robison to stay. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0. Reconvened at 10:17a.m., with no decisions,

- Commissioner Evenson made a motion for a 15-minute executive session with Allen Greenwood and John Schouten to discuss employee-employer negotiations. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. Motion Carried 5-0. Reconvened at 10:35 a.m. with no decisions.
- Commissioner Evenson made a motion for a 10-minute executive session for non-elected personnel evaluation. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Reconvened at 10:45 a.m. with no decisions.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to hire John Schouten as Road Superintendent at \$24.00 per hour and Allen Greenwood at \$20.00 per hour as Road and Bridge Foreman, with re-evaluations in December, and pay rates to start on the hours earn as of November 5th. Commissioner Evenson seconded the motion, with Schouten and Greenwood each signing job descriptions. Motion carried 5-0.

Counsel Paul Dean presented Resolution 23-16 on old outstanding check's policy. Commissioner Evenson made a motion to approve Resolution 23-16. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5-minute break. Commissioner Obourn seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Reconvened at 10:55 a.m.

At 11:08., Commissioner Fox motioned to adjourn the commission meeting. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners had a work session with Scott Day- Day Insurance Solution had a work session after commissioner meeting.

Next Meeting will be held on Monday, November 13^h, 2023.

Roy Ballard, Chairman

Preston Evenson, Member