

Chairman Ben Fox called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:20 a.m. Other members present were Roy Ballard, Paul Hodge, Mac Obourn, Preston Evenson, County Counselor Paul Dean and Deputy County Clerk, Deann McCaffree. County Clerk Kathy Robison was absent.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Obourn made a motion to approve the minutes of January 15, 2024, Commissioner Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge report:

- Road Supervisor, John Schouten reported the load of salt has been received and a load of sand should be delivered later in the day.
- He is waiting to hear back from John Deer on the backhoe quote.
- The department has been working on cleaning the roads and maintenance.
- Discussion over the dozer.

Treasurers report was reviewed by the Commissioners

Presentation of Payables and Payroll:

- ***Commissioner Evenson made a motion to approve Payables in the amount of \$234,786.90. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***
(Payout Date: January 26, 2024)
- ***Commissioner Obourn made a motion to approve Special Payables in the amount of \$6,070.83. Commissioner Evenson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0,***
(Payout Date: January 22, 2024)
- ***Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve Payroll in the amount of \$146,551.08. Commissioner Obourn seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***
(Payout Date: January 26, 2024)

Executive Session:

- ***Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 15- minute executive session with Shawna Griffiths in attendance concerning personnel evaluation. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 9:47am with no decisions.***
- Commissioners congratulated, Shawna Griffiths, Appraiser's Office for earning her Register Mass Appraisal Designation.
- ***Commissioner Fox made a motion to terminate the contract with Steve Thomson when permissible under terms. Commissioner Hodge second. Motion carried 5-0.***

Report of County Officer, Boards and Standing Committees:

- Heath Samuals, Sheriff presented the commissioners two sick leave donations to be signed.
- Brian Mongeau, EMS Director happily reported that all ambulances are up and running at this time.
- ***Commissioner Evenson made a motion for EMS to purchase 2023 Tahoe for the amount of \$51,500.00. Commissioner Ballard seconded. Motion carried 3-2. Commissioner Hodge and Obourn opposed.***
- Marsha Ramsey, Register of Deeds asked the commissioners about the notification system for closing. Levi Vinson, Emergency Management Director will be the contact person to notify all employees through the Genasys system. Levi will train a second person to be the back up contact when he is not available. Levi requested for a policy to be made regarding a contact sheet for new

or leaving employees would be filled out and turned into him to keep the notification list current.

- **Commissioner Fox made a motion to designate Levi Vinson, Emergency Management as the contact person for notification for court house closing. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.**
- **Commissioner Ballard made a motion to have a 5-minute break. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.**
- Discussion on Road Petition. Road viewing is set February 12, 2024.

Executive Session:

- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 10:30am with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 15- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean and Levi Vinson. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 10:46am with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Evenson made a motion for a 15- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 11:03 am with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Evenson made a motion for a 15- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean and John Schouten. Commissioner Obourn second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 11:15 am with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion to take a 15-minute break. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 11:30am.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 15- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean and Carey Bonfiglio. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 11:45 am with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 15- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 12:00pm with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion to take a 10-minute break. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 12:10pm.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean and Candice Baxtor. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 12:17am with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 15- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean and Jennifer Watts. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 12:28pm with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 15- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean and Kassadie Lazar. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 12:38pm with no decisions.**
- **Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 12:42 pm with no decisions.**

- **Commissioner Evenson made a motion for a 5- minute executive session legal consultation with County Counselor Paul Dean and John Schouten. Commissioner Obourn second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 12:47 am with no decisions.**

At 12:48 am Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST: Kathy Robison
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Ben Fox
Ben Fox, Chairman

Malcolm Obourn
Malcolm Obourn, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge
Paul Hodge, Member

Roy Ballard
Roy Ballard, Member

Preston Evenson
Preston Evenson, Member