Chairman Ben Fox called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Roy Ballard, 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 Hodge made a motion to approve the minutes of February 12th, 2024. Commissioner Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

## Road and Bridge report:

Road Supervisor, John Schouten reported grader thirty- three is in the shop and it is going to cost
more to be repaired than originally anticipated. Waiting for a quote.

Treasurers report was reviewed by the Commissioners.

# Presentation of Payables and Payroll:

- Commissioner Obourn made a motion to approve Payables in the amount of \$234,078.99.
   Commissioner Evenson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
   (Payout Date: February 23, 2024)
- Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve Special Payables in the amount of \$489.44.
   Commissioner Evenson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
   (Payout Date: February 20, 2024)
- Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve Payroll in the amount of \$146,763.40.
   Commissioner Obourn seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
   (Payout Date: February 23, 2024)
- Commissioner Evenson made a motion to amend January 26, 2024 Payables in the amount of \$234,786.90 to correct amount of \$234,825.95. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

# Clerk's Agenda:

- Charles Brodie, with Red River Construction presented to the commissioners a packet to consider
  a different way to fund bridges. Charles shared his intent is not to make money but to simply be
  an available resource to the county and to help in any way that he can. (JE 24:17)
- Ben Sims, Extension Office made a request for a donation to go toward the inflatables during the fair.
- Commissioner Obourn made a motion to donate \$1400.00 to the 4-H Foundation to help offset part of the rental cost of the inflatables. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- Frank McCollum shared his concern on how the clinic will be able to be funded.

## Old Business:

# Discussion on 60th & J Road

- Jim Lee shared that him and some other property owners would be willing to donate to help with the expense for a low water crossing to leave the road open.
- Commissioner Obourn made a motion to leave 60th & J Road open. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

# Report of County Officer, Boards and Standing Committees:

- Glen Collinge, Rural Fire Chief reported the lights and the sirens stopped working on truck #110.
- Commissioner Evenson made a motion to approve Invena Corporation quote in the amount of \$5,488.53 for the replacement of sirens and lights. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0. (JE:18)
- Kassadie Lazar, Road and Bridge reported the Township Meeting has been set for March 26, 2024 at Memorial Hall at 6:00pm.
- Brian Mongeau, EMS Ambulance Director updated the Commissioners on the EMR class. Three students have dropped out of the program and leaving only nine enrolled in the course.

Commissioner Obourn brought up the Smart Dollar by Dave Ramsey to find out from the
department heads if there was an interest. After a brief discussion, commissioners asked that the
department heads would report at the next meeting a final number of who is interested in taking
the course.

### **Executive Session:**

- Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10- minute executive session with Vicki Lindsey,
  Health Department along with Kathy Robison and Deann McCaffree, County Clerk's Office
  and County Counselor, Paul Dean in attendance for legal consultation. Commissioner Ballard
  seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 9:50 am with no decisions.
- Commissioner Ballard made a motion for a 15-minute executive session with John Schouten in attendance for legal consultation. Commissioner Evenson second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 10:07am with no decisions.

#### Break:

• Commissioner Obourn made a motion to take a 10-minute break. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 10:17am.

## Returned Report of County Officer, Boards and Standing Committees:

- Levi Vinson, Emergency Management reported that he was contacted by Civic Plus, social media
  archive company. The cost to have their services would be \$5,388.00 per year. Levi shared the
  law states that any social media is a public record and the county has seven social media accounts
  and the webpage. Levi stated that he wanted to inform the commissioners of the possible risk the
  county could face if a lawsuit were to take place. Commissioners agreed they wanted to take
  additional time to review the information.
- Levi Vinson also reported that he had preformed a traffic account on the roads. He informed the commissioners they need to determine what the threshold is for the traffic accounts.
- Commissioner Ballard reported he is not in favor of ordering a new recycling trailer when they
  could be repaired.

# **Executive Session:**

• Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 15- minute executive session with John Schouten in attendance for employee evaluation. Commissioner Obourn second. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 10:42am with no decisions.

## Break:

• Commissioner Fox made a motion to take a 5-minute break. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 10:49am.

## **Executive Session:**

- Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10-minute executive session with County Counselor, Paul Dean for legal. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 11:00am with no decisions.
- Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5- minute executive session with John Schouten in attendance for employee evaluation. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 11:13 am with no decisions.
- Commissioner Obourn made a motion for a 5- minute executive session with Kathy Robison, in attendance for legal. Commissioner Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commission meeting reconvened at 11:28 am with no decisions.
- Commissioner Obourn made a motion to correct the Health Department payroll for two hours for two employees. Commissioner Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 11:34am Commissioner Fox made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Next Meeting will be held on Monday, February 26, 2024.

(JE 24: 17,18)

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	Ben Fox, Chairman
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ATTEST:  Kathy Robison, County Clerk	Paul Holge
	Paul Hodge, Member
	Rosel Willes
	Roy Ballard, Member
	Flooten Evens
	Preston Evenson, Member