

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, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Deann McCaffree.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hodge moved to approve September 9th, 2024 minutes as written. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Hodge moved to approve September 16th, 2024 minutes as written. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Road and Bridge Report:

- Road and Bridge Supervisor, Allen Greenwood informed commissioners Emporia may start charging to haul recycled goods.

Obourn moved to hire full time Road and Bridge employee, Marty Patchett at \$16.00/hr. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

- Greenwood informed commissioners the 2nd new grader would be there September 23, 2024. Fox questioned the status of the broke down grader, Greenwood stated he was waiting for a repair cost, or its value. Estimated repair could be around \$16,000.00
- Greenwood informed commissioners the sign project was in week two, and going well.

Fox moved to approve a ten-minute executive session with Road and Bridge Supervisor, Allen Greenwood and Emergency Management Director, Levi Vinson for personnel. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Reconvened at 9:20.

Fox moved to approve a five-minute executive session with Road and Bridge Supervisor, Allen Greenwood for employee performance. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Reconvened at 9:27. No decisions.

County Fire Chief Glen Collinge informed commissioners that, Eureka Fire Chief Luke Westerman had contacted him regarding a grant the Eureka Fire Department received. The grant will be used to build a live fire training facility, Collinge was asked if the county would like to a part of this. Collinge presented two bids, one from Ramsey Concrete for \$20,400.00 that includes a 5-inch thick, 40ft x 60 ft concrete pad, with #4 rebar. And a bid from Ross Anello for \$19,200.00 that includes the 40ft x 60ft concrete pad with wire mat reinforcement. It was noted the facility would be beneficial to other counties also. (JE24-90, JE24-91)

Obourn moved to approve a bid from Ramsey Concrete for \$20,400.00. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Health Department Director Vicki Lindsey presented a bid of \$1899.45 for a new vaccine freezer, a grant would possibly be available to help with the purchase. It was also noted the state would need to approve the unit. Lindsey stated the freezer the health department has is over ten years old, and the state prefers they are less than that.

Obourn moved to approve a vaccine freezer, pending the grant and the states approval. Fox seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Fox moved to approve a ten- executive session with Road and Bridge Supervisor, Allen Greenwood for legal. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Reconvened at 9:50. No decisions.

Fox moved to approve a five-minute break. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Reconvened at 9:55.

Ballard moved to approve Special Payables in the amount of \$89.74. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

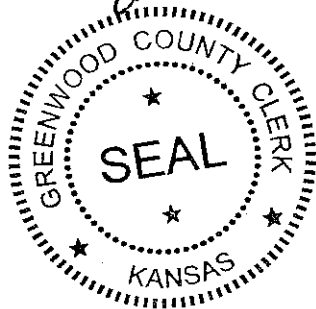
County Clerk Deann McCaffree presented a petition for road closure, for 230th rd. near W7. A road viewing will take place October 7th, 2024 at 11:30am.

Obourn moved to increase mileage from .45 cents to the IRS rate of .67 cents per mile for use of a personal vehicle for county business. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Fox moved to approve a ten-minute executive session with Health Department Director Vicki Lindsey for personnel. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Reconvened at 10:14. No decisions.

Obourn moved to adjourn. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST: Deann McCaffree
Deann McCaffree, County Clerk



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Ben Fox, Chairman

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Malcolm Obourn, Vice Chairman

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Paul Hodge, Member

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Roy Ballard, Member

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Preston Evenson, Member