

Preston Evenson called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:01 a.m. Other members present were Roy Ballard, Ron Mast, Judd Everitt, Mac Obourn via Zoom, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Deann McCaffree.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ballard moved to approve January 20th, 2025 minutes as written. Everitt seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Road and Bridge Report:

- Road and Bridge supervisor, Allen Greenwood informed commissioners he had been contacted by Ideatek and asked to waive the 48in. minimum on burying cable. County Counselor Paul Dean recommended not waiving the minimum, due to the fact that they may barely bury the cables or run through culverts.
- Greenwood noted he had spoke to a KDHE representative regarding the landfill and what items can and cannot be taken, Greenwood stated he would have an updated list by weeks end. Greenwood suggested increasing the fee at the landfill to \$30.00 per tonnage, as it was unknown the last time it had been increased.
- Ballard questioned whether the Lamont wooden bridge had been checked, Greenwood stated it could be checked when things thawed.
- Ballard questioned whether any brush cutting was being done, Greenwood stated two mowers had been out. Mast questioned whether brush mowers would be upgraded, Greenwood stated they would be.

Ballard moved to approve special payables in the amount of \$1,000.23. Everitt seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Ballard moved to approve corrected payroll in the amount of \$3,679.53. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Evenson moved to approve a contract with Jarred, Gilmore and Phillips, PA. Mast seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Greenwood County Community Center Board Secretary, Jamie Lindamood gave an update on the community center. Lindamood informed commissioner's that the Greenwood County Fair association had signed a contract with an engineer to evaluate the track and make drainage plans. Lindamood added they are also looking into updating the electrical and mechanical, as well as some structural repairs and insulation. Lindamood requested a blessing from the commissioners for Eureka High School students to begin work on office space, classrooms, and a reception area in the Braden Room, estimated cost for the project would be about \$20,000.00. There was also a request for \$8,951.53 to help with bills from 2024. Obourn mentioned the possibility of paying \$10,000.00 rent for the fair to use the property. Lindamood also mentioned that there was a contract signed in 2023 between the Greenwood County Fair Association, Greenwood County, City of Eureka, and Greenwood County 4-H foundation. Dean requested information be gathered before a decision was made regarding the Eureka Downs and funding. (JE25-09)

Greenwood informed commissioners he and Engineer Micheal Maris looked at the bridge on north N Rd, and the bridge needed repaired fairly quickly.

Mast moved to approve repairing the bridge on north N Rd. for \$6,200.00. Everitt seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Evenson moved to appoint Judd Everitt as the commissioner representative for the hospital board. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Evenson moved to appoint Judd Everitt as the commissioner representative for the G3 Committee. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

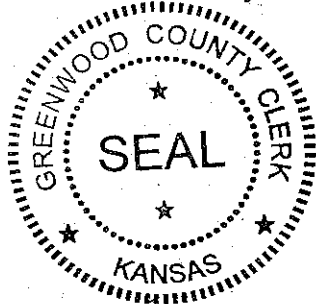
Sheriff, Heath Samuels informed commissioners he has hired Leanard Moore as Jail Administrator at a rate of \$18.75 an hour. (JE25-10)

Evenson gave an update on sewer repairs and informed commissioners that work had begun, and part of the floor will need cut and plumbing repaired. A decision was made to close the courthouse Friday, January 31st, 2025 for repairs. Rawlings noted a local plumber that would replace toilets in the upstairs bathrooms.

Evenson moved to approve a five-minute executive session with Paul Dean for legal. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Reconvened at 10:30.

Emergency Management Director, Levi Vinson informed commissioners he had two building permits that needed signed by Mast.

Evenson moved to adjourn at 10:35. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 4-0.



ATTEST: Dean McCaffree
Dean McCaffree, County Clerk

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