

GREENWOOD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MARCH 9TH, 2026

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Commission Chair Preston Evenson, called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Roy Ballard, Ron Mast, Judd Everitt, Mac Obourn, County Counselor Paul Dean, and County Clerk Deann McCaffree.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ballard moved to approve March 2nd, 2026 minutes as written. Everitt seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Claims:

Obourn moved to approve Special Payables for March 9, 2026 in the amount of \$19,125.43. Mast seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business:

- Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson explained to the commissioners the need to have a policy in place to go with the pay scale prior to finalizing. This was tabled until next week to allow time for policy to be completed.

New Business:

- County Clerk Deann McCaffree shared with the commissioners a letter of resignation from Salt Springs Treasurer Joan Penner and a letter explaining the current Board Clerk would resign the Clerk position and would move to Treasurer. In the letter it was stated that the township board had found a replacement for Board Clerk position if the commissioners approved the transition of current Clerk to Treasurer. Commissioners accepted the resignation from Joan Penner. Township member Tami Vancil was at the meeting and expressed interest in the Treasurer position.

Everitt motioned to approve Tami Vancil as Salt Springs Township Treasurer. Mast seconded. Motion carried 4-1 with Obourn opposing.

Ballard moved to accept Joan Penner's resignation as Treasurer of Salt Spring Township. Mast seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

- The commissioners received a letter from Twin Grove Township stating that Hal Coble was interested in filling a vacancy on the board. The current vacancy was due to the passing of board member Dana Taliaferro.

Ballard motioned to approve Hal Coble as Twin Grove Township Board Clerk. Mast seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

- Sherriff Heath Samuels discussed the need for replacing a lean-to building at the Road and Bridge/Impound Lot. The current lean- to building is in need of repair. Samuels will provide commissioners with bids to replace the lean-to building at a future meeting for approval.
- Register of Deeds Shelia Smith invited the commissioners to the Southeast Kansas Spring meeting on Thursday April 16, 2026 at Memorial Hall. Smith said there will be Seventeen Counties invited to Eureka as Eureka is hosting the event this year.

Executive Session:

Evenson motioned for a 5-minute legal executive session for personnel complaint with County Counselor Paul Dean and Appraiser Shawna Griffiths. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Return at 9:23am. No decisions.

Evenson motioned for a 10-minute legal executive session for township roads with County Counselor Paul Dean. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Return at 9:45am. No decisions.

Calendar:

- *Next meeting March 16, 2026 at 9 a.m.*

Obourn moved to adjourn at 9:46 a.m. Mast seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Preston Evenson
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Judd Everitt
Judd Everitt- Vice-Chairman

Roy Ballard
Roy Ballard

Ron Mast
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Malcolm Obourn
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ATTEST: Deann McCaffree
Deann McCaffree, County Clerk

