

COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 9TH, 2021

Chairman Ben Fox called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Vice Chairman Roy Ballard, Robert Joe Morgan, Chuck Spradlin, Paul Hodge, County Clerk Kathy Robison and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Spradlin moved to accept August 2nd, 2021 minutes as written. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Fox moved to accept August 3rd, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman report:

- Reece Road project is slated to get underway this week.
- County contracted engineer Michael Maris will be in attendance next week to update commissioners on area bridges.
- Chrisman plans to speak with the contractor that is working on Reece Road in regards to the costs associated with seal coating the lake road and Hamilton/Virgil Road.
- Hodge inquired about horse and buggy signs in the Fall River area to better protect the Amish Community. Chrisman noted that he believed there are a few signs posted.
- Ballard informed Chrisman that the bridge on 220th Street and S Road is in need of repair.
- County Counselor Paul Dean asked Chrisman if more work is planned for the bridge on 375th Street. Chrisman is slated to look into the matter.

Ballard moved to accept payroll in the amount of \$125,414.02. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Morgan moved to accept payables in the amount of \$179,302.78. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Emergency Management Supervisor Levi Vinson informed commissioners that water producers such as municipalities and water districts are now required to have a written agreement as to an emergency plan in the event of a water shortage. Vinson stated that in the past, the county purchased a semi load of bottled water; the next step would be to contact the National Guard or the state for assistance. Paul Dean is drafting a memorandum of understanding stating that if water loss should occur, the county will do what it can to secure water for residents. Levi reported issues with his response vehicle, stating that a hole in the headlight allowed water to seep through, which ultimately led to electrical shortages. Vinson reported the total amount to repair said issue was \$2,464.46. Ballard informed Vinson that there is a less expensive option for future references. Spradlin move to approve the repair costs in the amount of \$2,464.46. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Appraiser's office employee Dawn Larcom informed commissioners that the printer that is utilized by nearly every department, is in need of replacement. She stated that the printer was purchased in 2013 and has aged out of the maintenance agreement. Dawn presented a bid for a new printer in the amount of \$2,943.87. Commissioner Fox moved to approve said purchase of a new printer. Morgan seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

EMS Director Brian Mongeau presented commissioners with an employee status change for part-time employee JJ Smith; moving Smith from \$11.69 per hour to \$13.68 per hour. This change is due to certifications acquired by Smith. Commissioner Fox moved to approve the status change for JJ Smith. Morgan seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners discussed the policies pertaining to paying employees that have to be quarantined due to COVID-19. The consensus among the commission and Paul Dean is that the County will continue to pay regular wages to those individuals affected by such a situation. Commissioners will revisit the matter at a later date if the need should arise.

Spradlin moved to approve a 15 minute executive session for employee evaluation pertaining to non-elected salaried personnel. Session to begin at 9:50 a.m. Morgan seconded. The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners reconvened at 10:05 a.m. No decisions were made.

Commissioners reviewed fee reports for July 2021. No decisions were made.

County Treasurer Donna Olson informed commissioners that the first half of the American Rescue Plan Act funding had been received. She asked if those funds should be placed in a separate account. Commissioner Fox stated that those funds should be in a separate, non-interest bearing account. The funds are slated to be utilized for infrastructure strengthening and rebuilding.

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Courthouse Maintenance Supervisor Greg Rawlings reported that he been focusing on drainage improvements. Greg also reported that he would be meeting with a representative from Oklahoma LED to discuss quotes pertaining to LED lighting for County buildings. Rawlings next reported that the west wing of the roof of the courthouse was in need of repair and had yet to find records pertaining to any previous roof replacement. Rawlings will continue to look for any information pertaining to roof replacement/repairs.

Hodge reported that Otter Creek Township representatives had contacted him and asked if the township is responsible for paying the light bill for Piedmont. After a brief discussion, it was noted that because Piedmont is not an incorporated city, the township is responsible for paying the light bill.

Ballard moved to adjourn at 10:24 a.m. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST: Kathy Robison
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Ben Fox
Ben Fox, Chairman

Roy Ballard
Roy Ballard, Vice Chairman

Chuck Spradlin
Chuck Spradlin, Member

Paul Hodge
Paul Hodge, Member

Robert Joe Morgan
Robert Joe Morgan, Member