

Commissioner Meeting
February 27, 2017

Chairman Ben Fox called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were, Paul Hodge, Brian Hind, Kathy Robison, County Clerk, and Paul Dean, County Counselor.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve February 21, 2017 minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reported he got the plans back from Michael Marris on Ladd Bridge and they will be sent to King Construction; he also had a meeting with Seimears Construction about the Reece bridge regarding the wingwall and 220 and R. Lowe also is going to talk to Judd Everitt for a bid. Lowe discussed Circle C Paving and Vance Brothers about chip/seal projects this year, but has not received bids yet. Lowe went out to the Lake Road and checked out a road that needs paving. Rhonda Ward, Road and Bridge Secretary, presented three bids received for the annual township meal, being held at the Matt Samuels building, March 22nd registration 6:30 p.m., with meal beginning at 7:00 p.m. Bids were from Eureka Country Club for \$12.25 per plate, Cindy's Copper Kettle for \$11.50 per plate, and Lo Mar for \$10.50 per plate. Commissioner Hind made a motion to accept the bid from Lo Mar for \$10.50 per plate. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ward also mentioned to the commissioners that Greenwood County is going to host the County Commissioners and Highway Officials of Southeast Kansas annual meeting on April 20th at 9:00 a.m. in Chanute at the KDOT office complex. Commissioner Fox will act as President during the meeting. Due to the loss of vendor support there will be no door prizes or lunch at the meeting, at this time. Ward asked the commissioners if they would be attending the SEK District Officials Mtg March 16th in Labette County and reminded them that registration is from 8-10:00 a.m.

The commissioners reviewed the weekly Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve a 5 minute executive session for personnel with Roger Lowe, Road and Bridge Supervisor. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the session. An additional 5 minutes was added to the session.

No decision was made.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$89,113.43. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables, dated 3-3-2017, in the amount of \$126,732.90. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve payables, dated 2-27-2017, in the amount of \$3,005.47. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve abatements in the amount of \$164.24. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The commissioners reviewed Certificates of Liability from Leiser Excavating, LLC and Chaplin Dozing.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to accept a letter of resignation received from Janesville Clerk, H. David Pelky. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to accept a letter of appointment from Janesville Township to appoint Jerry Crane as the Clerk. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Levi Vinson, Noxious Weed/Emergency Management Director received a certificate from the Hazardous Materials and Emergency Services Training Institute for completing a 24-hour Household Hazardous Waste training. Vinson invited the commissioners to the National Weather Service Storm Spotters meeting in the Eureka High School on March 30th at 6:30 p.m.

Jacob Hurla of 360 Energies visited commissioners again about improving the energy efficiency of the courthouse. He had presented a proposal last year that encompassed various energy-saving measures. After some discussion, Commissioner Hind stated the only measure he's interested in pursuing at this time is replacing the chiller unit, which is 60 years old, this year. No decisions were made, but the commissioners agreed they would like to replace the unit by next summer and asked Hurla to check back with them in six months.

Jami Clark, County Appraiser discussed the increase in ag use values, which depends on soil type. Some values have increased as high as 28%. Ag use values are determined by the state, based on 8-year averages. Clark told commissioners that evaluation notices will soon be going out. For more information, and to see a list of the specific values by soil type, there is a list available in the Appraiser's Office.

The commissioners received bids for work on parcels from Title companies. A bid of \$125 per parcel was received from Kansas Secured Title, \$75 per parcel from Security First Title, and \$34.50 per parcel from Greenwood County Title. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to accept the bid from Greenwood County Title for title work on parcels at \$34.50 per parcel. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Paul Dean, County Counselor presented the commissioners with a waiver for the current K-9 dog, Balto, at the Sheriff's Department that will soon be replaced with a younger K-9 that is undergoing training at this time. The waiver will allow Balto to be released into Sergeant Jason Myers custody to live out the rest of his life, as Myers was his handler at the Sheriff's Department, and asked to keep Balto after retirement.

Commissioner Hind made a motion to approve a bill of sale and a co-location agreement with Mediacom, regarding the county now owning the communication tower in Madison. The sale bill was for \$1.00. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. They discussed the need to trim grass and trees around the radio tower building due to a fire hazard.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a 5 minute executive session for legal with Levi Vinson, Noxious Weed/Emergency Management Director and Paul Dean, County Counselor. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the session. Vinson left the session and the commissioners and Paul Dean, County Counselor added an additional 10 minutes for a legal executive session.

No decision was made.

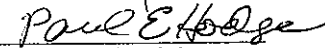
At 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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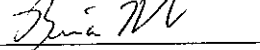
March 6th-- Next Commission Meeting -- 9:00 a.m.



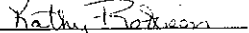
Ben Fox, Chairman



Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman



Brian Hind, Member

ATTEST: 

Kathy Robinson, County Clerk