

Commissioner Meeting
January 23, 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 Hodge made a motion to approve January 9, 2017 minutes. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve January 16, 2017 minutes. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There was no Road and Bridge report, however, Rhonda Ward, Road and Bridge Secretary attended the meeting to discuss the annual township meeting. The commissioners approved the date of Wednesday, March 22nd, at the Matt Samuels Community Building. They also told Ward to seek meal bids from restaurants throughout the county. Commissioner Fox reported he had received a letter from a constituent, requesting a culvert to be installed on CC Road. Ward said she believed the county already had plans to install a culvert at that location. Ward also reported that the Federal Funds Exchange money should be coming in this week.

The commissioners reviewed the Treasurer's weekly report.

After reviewing the Treasurer's report Commissioner Hind noticed the Special Highway Fund looked lower than it should be and asked about the balance. County Clerk, Kathy Robison, explained that there was an amount still encumbered to provide for outstanding bills from 2016. Commissioner Hind noted that some had been spent out of that fund for road repairs.

Rob Runquist and Tiffany Neally from Crosswinds Mental Health gave an update on services provided to Greenwood County. Runquist noted that Neally is the counselor servicing the county, primarily in the Hamilton and Madison schools. He added they lease a car from Enterprise because it's actually cheaper to lease and pay insurance than reimburse the employee for their personal vehicles. Crosswinds also provides service to the Greenwood County jail and there is an office assistant in the Eureka location, on main street, two days a week.

Jami Clark, Appraiser, asked permission to attend the Appraiser's Association Legislative Reception in Topeka to discuss Ag values, etc. The commissioners gave her permission and urged her to "speak up".

EMS Director, Brian Mongeau, requested to purchase cables for monitors utilized for cardiac events. Mongeau needs three cables that are \$3,500 each and two cables that are \$1,200 each. Mongeau said he may be able to get a deal on the purchase, but requested to spend up to \$13,500 and the funds would come from Capital Outlay. The commissioners approved the purchase.

County Fire Chief, Doug Williams, updated the commissioners on the progress of getting the county re-rated for the state ISO (Insurance Service Office). It's a process the county has been working on for a while. Williams said as soon as the truck for Piedmont is complete, the plan is to go around to every department in the county to get them ISO qualified. Williams thinks all of the fire buildings are compliant except for Burkett. He added the overall county rating should change from a 10 to a 9 and the lower the number the better. Some cities ratings are higher because of their proximity to the fire station. Eureka is now a 4, up from 7; Madison is a 6, up from 7; and Severy is a 7.

Commissioner Hind asked about the city/county fire truck agreement (Fire Services and the Mutual and Automatic Aid Agreement) the commissioner's had approved at the April 27, 2015 meeting. Several cities in Greenwood County opted to participate and the agreement states that the county would pay up to \$15,000 for the purchase of a structural fire pumper truck, and has some specifics the truck must have to meet ISO requirements. Also the city must agree to provide automatic aid response, with the fire pumper, up to a distance of 10 miles from the fire station for a period of 20 years. The county will also assist the city with any major repairs to their current pumper. The agreement outlines what it considers major repairs. Commissioner Hind informed the other commissioners that the City of Madison is purchasing a fire truck. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve dispersing \$15,000 to Madison Firefighters Relief Association from the Fire Department budget to go toward the purchase of the new fire pumper truck. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Noxious Weed Director, Levi Vinson, reported that he would be attending several training workshops involved in his chemical certifications.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 10 executive session for personnel with Noxious Weed Director, Levi Vinson and County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 10 minutes was added.

No decision was made.

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No decision was made.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5 minute executive session for personnel with Kathy Robison, County Clerk and County Counselor, Paul Dean. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

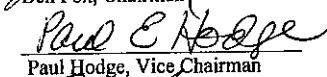
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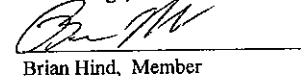
At 10:56 a.m. Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hind seconded the motion. The motion carried.

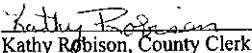
Calendar:

January 30th— Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.


Ben Fox, Chairman


Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman


Brian Hind, Member

ATTEST: 
Kathy Robison, County Clerk