

COMMISSION MEETING  
NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 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, Chuck Spradlin, Robert Joe Morgan, Paul Hodge, County Clerk Kathy Robison and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Road and Bridge report:

- Crews are fixing pot holes on 360<sup>th</sup> and T Rd this week.
- Chrisman noted that he believes there is a water line that may have been laid across a culvert near 110<sup>th</sup> and P Rd that needs addressed.
- Road and Bridge truck number 5 has been experiencing mechanical issues.
- The bid presented at a previous meeting for a welding machine was the most competitive price.

Fox moved to approve the purchase of a welder from Airgas in the amount of \$4,839.58. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

- Chrisman is slated to review the Christian Hills bridge contract regarding questions posed in reference to rebuilding the adjacent property owner's fence.

Spradlin moved to approve November 8, 2021 revised Minutes. Morgan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Hodge moved to approve November 15, 2021 Minutes. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners reviewed October 2021 fee reports.

Sheriff Heath Samuels presented employment verification for new hire Deana Drake at a pay rate of \$12.30. Drake will be filling the vacant position at the Greenwood County Jail. Fox moved to approve hiring Drake. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners held a 10 minute executive session with Darrel Chrisman pertaining to employee performance. **No vote was held to move into this executive session.** Regular meeting reconvened at 9:35 a.m. No decisions were made.

Fox moved to approve a five minute executive session with county counselor Paul Dean pertaining to legal matters. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Regular meeting reconvened at 9:45 a.m. No decisions were made.

A brief discussion was held pertaining to year-end bonuses. Ballard moved to approve a bonus of \$100 for full time employees and \$50 for part time employees. Spradlin seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Questions were posed whether or not Commission board members and Paul Dean were included for a bonus. The consensus was made that Paul Dean and Commission board members would receive a \$75 bonus.

Cost of living adjustment raises were briefly discussed. Commissioners decided to review the matter further and discuss it at a future meeting.

County Clerk Kathy Robison noted that the GWCH board would not hold a meeting in December. Their next meeting is slated for January.

Fox moved to approve a five minute executive session for employee performance. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Regular meeting to reconvene at 10:07 a.m. No decisions were made.


Fox stated that there is a provision under the American Rescue Plan Act that affords compensation to essential employees for extra time spent working during the COVID crisis. Fox noted that additional aid and phone calls had been required of County Counselor Paul Dean.

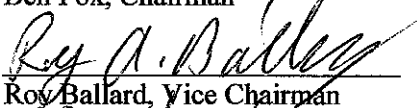
Fox then moved to approve \$5,000 from ARPA funds be provided to Dean as compensation for additional time invested in helping Greenwood County. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

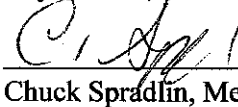
Morgan moved to adjourn at 10:10 a.m. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

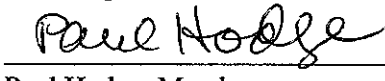
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ATTEST: Kathy Robison  
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