MAY 15, 2023

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

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Fox moved to approve May 8^{TH} , 2023 Minutes as written. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge Report:

- Plans for the bridge located at U Road and 100th Street were discussed. FEMA would like \$68,000 worth of work done to said bridge before granting an extension. Chrisman noted sending the request for extension without having FEMA's requests completed.
- Chrisman is looking to purchase a fuel trailer; he has not yet received a final quote.
- Maintenance to State Street Bridge was briefly discussed.
- Snell Bridge is slated for repair
- Evenson noted that a guardrail located on AA Road, south of 400, needs to be replaced as it is a safety concern.
- Darrel Chrisman and Levi Vinson are slated to meet with the local Corp of Engineers Office.

Evenson moved to approve special payables in the amount of \$1,834.10. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve payables in the amount of \$185,073.01. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Obourn moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$131,631.03. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Amanda Cunningham, with Cross Winds, attended the meeting to discuss appropriations in the amount of \$44,500.

Fox moved to approve signing the Single Audit Engagement Letter. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners signed the Veteran's Proclamation that was approved at last week's meeting.

Obourn moved to accept Cindy McNeil's resignation letter as Salt Springs Township Clerk. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Hodge moved to accept Tom McNeil's resignation as Salt Springs Township Treasurer. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Salt Springs Township residents Tina Kastning, Tammy Talkington, Tammy Vancil and Susan Arnn attended the meeting to inform commissioners of their interest to serve as board member of Salt Springs Township.

Fox moved to approve a five-minute break; meeting to reconvene at 10:05 a.m. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

A brief discussion ensued regarding phone lines. Fox suggested Velocity would be a better price for the same basic service; noting there is no data cap and there would be a \$99 installation fee. Fox is slated to look into the matter.

Obourn moved to approve a ten-minute executive session with County Counselor Paul Dean to discuss legal matters pertaining to Salt Springs. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting to reconvene at 10:22 a.m. No decisions were made.

Obourn moved to approve a ten-minute executive session with County Counselor Paul Dean to discuss legal matters regarding Salt Springs Township. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting to reconvene at 10:35 a.m. No decisions were made.

Hodge moved to appoint Tina Kastning as Salt Springs Township Treasurer. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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Hodge moved to appoint Tammy Talkington as Salt Springs Township Clerk. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Fox moved to approve Resolution 23-10. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. (See Resolution 23-10)

Fox moved to approve hiring Mayla Arreola as a full-time Detention Deputy at a pay rate of \$14.07 per hour. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Evenson moved to approve a .30 pay raise for Ciera Harris, moving her to \$13.95 per hour. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Salt Springs Township Trustee Jeff Pittman attended the meeting to inform commissioners that he has turned in an application for \$10,000 in assistance with repairs to the bridge located near AA Road. Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman is slated to look into the matter.

Ballard moved to approve a ten-minute executive session, to include Darrel Chrisman, Levi Vinson and County Counselor Paul Dean to discuss legal matters pertaining to roads. Fox seconded, Motion carried 5-0. Meeting to reconvene at 10:55 a.m. No decisions were made.

Ballard moved to approve a ten-minute executive session for legal matters regarding roads. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0. No decisions were made.

Ballard moved to approve a five-minute executive session to discuss the Rader/Gardner Road issues. Fox seconded. Meeting to reconvene at 11:12 a.m. Motion carried 5-0. No decisions were made.

Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson briefly discussed the new mass notification system in Greenwood County.

Fox moved to adjourn at 11:14 a.m. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST:

Kathy Robison, County Clerk

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Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge, Member

Malcolm Obourn, Member

Preston Evenson, Member