

Commissioner Meeting
August 20, 2018

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, Chuck Spradlin, Kathy Robison County Clerk, and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve August 2, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes (2019 GW County Budget Worksession). Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve August 6, 2018 minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve August 13, 2018 minutes. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve August 13, 2018 Board of Canvass minutes. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve August 16, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes (Road & Bridge Applications). Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve an employment verification for Paige Blakely as a part-time receptionist in the County Attorney's Office at \$11.50 per hour. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Register of Deed Marsha Ramsey informed commissioners that employee David Beedles last day in her office will be August 31st and she has hired Sheryl Hare as a full-time employee to replace him. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve an employment verification for Sheryl Hare in the amount of \$12.25 per hour, as a full-time employee, in the Register of Deeds Office, starting August 27th. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Interim Supervisor Darrel Chrisman presented a quote and a map to the commissioners for the asphalt overlay project they have been discussing from Mill Road to the city limits, past the rodeo arena. It will have a one-year warranty. Commissioner Fox asked Chrisman to also get a quote from APAC and Chrisman said he would check with them. County Counselor Dean said he has the check for the guardrails and Administrative Assistant, Amber Woodie said it was the exact amount. Chrisman reported they purchased some 18 ply tires for the new truck last week. Commissioner Hodge asked if Judd Everitt has given a bid on one of the bridge projects they have discussed. Chrisman said no, he will need to talk to him. They asked about Shell Rock, and they discussed talking to Everitt about that one too.

Emergency Management/Noxious Weed Director Levi Vinson told commissioners he had an Emergency Operations Plan for them to read, if they would like to, before they sign. Vinson said the state has a copy and also is reviewing it, as well. Commissioner Hodge asked what the highlights are. Vinson said basically it covers any type of emergency response to disasters, manmade or natural. Basically a guideline with the frames of a disaster, that lays out specific roles, contact information, etc. Vinson also asked permission to attend a class in Topeka Sept 11-14th by the Kansas Emergency Management Association (KEMA). The conference fee is \$200, plus there will be hotel and meals. The commissioners all agreed. Commissioner Hodge asked if Vinson was finished mowing this year. Vinson explained that Road and Bridge does the mowing, and that the north end of the county is done, part of the Fall River area has been mowed, part of Virgil area has been mowed. Vinson said part of the problem is the mower they have is not sufficient, it only makes a four foot pass. They could continue with what they have but add a bush hog to the back. They discussed several different options. Commissioner Hodge said he would check on mowers.

At 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Fox announced that the Budget Hearing was open.

County Fire Chief Doug Williams talked to commissioners about a silo fire in the county that will need to burn itself out. Reported that a front-end went out of a truck; a new engine going in a truck; Invena is going to work on a pump on one of the trucks; Williams also reported that he is now certified to be a fire investigator for this county.

Phil Jarred, with Jarred, Phillips & Gilmore, presented the 2017 Audit, which found no significant violations. Jarred also presented engagement letters for the 2018 audit and 2020 budgeting. 2018 Audit amount is \$15,900, an increase of \$400 from last year, and the 2020 budget amount is \$1,400, an increase of \$50 from last year. The commissioners made no decisions.

At 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Fox announced Budget Hearing closed.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve the 2019 budget as published. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion for a 10 minute executive session with Health Department Director Vicki Ross to discuss a non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of that specific individual. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No decision was made.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion for a 10 minute executive session with Undersheriff Randy Cox and Emergency Management/Noxious Weed Director Levi Vinson to discuss a non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of that specific individual. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

After returning from executive session, Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve an additional \$1.44 per hour raise, for Arianna Mock, which totals \$3,000 per year, for her position as Public Information Officer (PIO). Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mock recently moved from her position with the Health Department to the Sheriff's Office as a Dispatcher. It was decided that the \$3,000 will come from General funds, as the PIO is responsible for

communication with the public, including emails and social media. In the event of an emergency, overtime hours will be paid through the Sheriff's Office.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a 15 minute executive session to do an interview with a potential Road and Bridge Supervisor position hire. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 10 minutes was added to the session.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve a 15 minute executive session to do an interview with a potential Road and Bridge Supervisor position hire. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried. An additional 5 minutes was added to the executive session.

Commissioners added an additional 15 minutes to the executive session, after the last applicant left to discuss their decision.

Upon returning from the last executive session, Commissioner Fox said they were going to offer a position to one of the candidates and announce the new Road and Bridge Supervisor at the next Monday, Commission Meeting. Tammy Seimears, from Madison News, informed the commissioners that both candidates were still present.

Commissioner Fox made a motion for a 5 minute break. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Interim Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman, who was one of the candidates, that interviewed that day, accepted the position of full-time, Road and Bridge Supervisor that was offered to him. Chrisman will receive an annual salary of \$41,600.

A brief discussion was held about the road viewing commissioners attended last week at 160th Road. Commissioners noted that based on surrounding landowners' comments and the poor condition of the road they intend to close it. Commissioners will vote on a resolution at a later date.

At 11:41 a.m. Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Calendar:


Aug. 23rd – GW Co. Hospital Board Mtg @ 5:30 p.m. – GW Co Hospital Conference Rm
Aug. 27th – Next Commission Meeting – 9:00 a.m.
Aug. 27th – Road Viewing @ Q50 Road between 30th and 40th Streets @ 11:30 a.m.




Ben Fox, Chairman



Paul Hodge, Vice Chairman



Chuck Spradlin, Member

ATTEST: 

Kathy Robison, County Clerk