Commissioner Meeting March 9th, 2020

Chairman Paul Hodge called the regular meeting of the Greenwood County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were Chuck Spradlin, Ben Fox, Roy Ballard, Robert Joe Morgan, Kathy Robison County Clerk and County Counselor Paul Dean.

The Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Chuck Spradlin made a motion to approve March 2nd, 2020 minutes. Commissioner Ben Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Darrel Chrisman reported that the Lily Bridge is finished and open. Chrisman also stated that the project on FF is finished. Darrel told Commissioners that County contracted Engineer Michael Maris would be here this week to discuss some grants that the county has received which included the Christian Hills project. Chrisman stated that Road and Bridge employee Janet Turner will be retiring as of May 1, 2020. Darrel presented Commissioners with a list of employee evaluations and raises. Those raises include; Marlin Beitz moved from \$14.53 per hour to \$15.03 per hour, Ross Anello moved from \$14.53 per hour to \$15.03, Miles Bidwell moved from \$14.53 per hour to \$15.03 per hour, Gary Boles Sr. moved from \$15.04 per hour to \$15.29 per hour, Daniel Butler moved from \$14.52 per hour to \$14.77 per hour, Robert Cohen moved from \$13.34 per hour to \$13.84 per hour, James English moved from \$15.04 per hour to \$15.29 per hour, Donal Huffman moved from \$13.34 per hour to \$13.59 per hour, Daniel Knox moved from \$14.53 per hour to \$14.78 per hour, Kassadie Martin moved from \$13.71 per hour to \$14.00 per hour, Ron Mast moved from \$14.01 per hour to \$14.51 per hour, Eric Mclean moved from \$14.53 per hour to \$15.03 per hour, John Schouten moved from \$13.34 per hour to \$13.84 per hour, Andrew Shaw moved from \$13.34 per hour to \$13.84 per hour and Janet Turner moved from \$14.22 per hour to \$14.72 per hour. Commissioner Chuck Spradlin made a motion to approve said pay rate changes. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$107,971.85. Commissioner Spradlin seconded the motion carried.

Commissioner Spradlin made a motion to approve payables in the amount of \$218,328.31. Commissioner Roy Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Sheriff Heath Samuels recommended that the commission make a resolution to post 30 MPH speed limits in unincorporated cities in Greenwood County.

Fire Chief Doug Williams reported ordering a pallet of foam that will cost \$3,700, stating that it is an asset to fighting rekindles. Williams also reported that the recent fire in Greenwood County went through five homesteads and did not damage any buildings. Williams added that the firemen fighting those fires did an amazing job.

Emergency Preparedness Supervisor Levi Vinson presented Commissioners with an Emergency Declaration that needed signed. The fire that raged through Greenwood County Thursday resulted in Greenwood County officials declaring a disaster, which allows the county to receive state assistance in said disaster. Commissioner Ben Fox made a motion to adopt the Local Disaster Declaration Resolution 20-01. Commissioner Hodge seconded the motion. The motion carried.

EMS Supervisor Brian Mongeau reported having researched the cost of EMS classes at Flint Hills Technical College. Mongeau told commissioners that the cost is around \$2,700 to \$2,800 per student but that he is going to continue to research other possibilities. Brian recommended that the student pay out of pocket for those classes and the county reimburse them once their classes are complete.

Greenwood County Hospital Director of nursing Becky Randall updated commissioners that the hospital has to screen every one coming into and going out of the hospital. Becky reported working with the Health Department to have weekly community meetings for pre-planning, should the Coronavirus come to Greenwood County.

Greenwood County Treasurer Donna Olsen requested a 5 minute executive session for employee evaluation. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a 5 minute executive session. Commissioner Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried. No decisions were made.

Register of Deeds Marsha Ramsey requested a 5 five minute executive session for employee performance. Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve a 5 minute executive session. Commissioner Ballard seconded the motion. The motion carried. The decision was made to move Deputy Register of Deeds Michelle Conard from a pay rate of \$14.22 per hour to \$14.65 per hour, effective March 16, 2020.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to approve said pay increase. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Emergency Preparedness Supervisor Levi Vinson requested a 5 minute executive session for Legal purposes. Commissioner Chuck Spradlin made a motion to approve a 5 minute executive session. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried. No decisions were made.

Commissioner Hodge made a motion to adjourn at 10:48 A.M. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next Commission meeting will be held Monday, March 16th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Paul Hodge, Chairman

Ben Fox, Vice Chairman

Chuck Spradlin Member

Roy Ballard, Member

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