

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

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Obourn moved to approve the minutes of May 28th, 202. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Ballard moved to approve the minutes of June 3rd, 2024. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Hodge moved to approve Special Payables in the amount of \$11,432.97. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Evenson moved to approve Payables in the amount \$246,823.01. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Hodge moved to approve Payroll in the amount of \$151,469.31. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Emergency Management Director, Levi Vinson and Ambulance Director, Brian Mongeau informed commissioners on the Symphony in the Flint Hills, which was held June 8th, 2024. Recognition of Road and Bridge department was conveyed, roads were in great condition due to completed ditches and roads.

Resolution GWRV 24-03 was presented to the commissioners to be signed regarding a previously approved road vacation in Reece.

Community Enrichment Manager, Staci Crumrine and County Extension Agent, Ben Sims gave the commissioners an update on the Eureka Downs Building. Crumrine discussed a recent inspection on the building that led to replacement costs for the emergency lighting in the building. \$871.56 was requested from the county. (JE24-45)

Obourn moved to approve \$871.56 toward emergency lighting for the Eureka Downs. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Ballard questioned the amount of the utilities at the Eureka Downs. Eureka City administrator, Joel Laws informed that the state of the building was not an efficient one.

Joel Laws, Eureka City administrator invited Commissioners to a Small Business Presentation, at Eureka Downs to be held July 11, 2024. The presenter will be from the U.S. Small Business Administration, to talk about programs and grants offered to small businesses. (JE24-46)

Shilo Fury, county land owner attended the commission meeting for clarification regarding K Road, at the Greenwood/Elk County line. Commissioners recommended submitting a road vacation request to both counties.

Scott Day with Day Insurance Solutions, LLC. presented insurance figures for the coming fiscal year. Blue Cross Blue Shield is anticipating a rate increase of 5-8% for Greenwood County. Day also stated the premium could increase to 9.2%. Day also noted the county was trending high on the money coming out of claims account. Day also presented the State Employee Plan and the differences in benefits. (JE24-47)

Mongeau, presented part time employment verification form to commissioners for signature.

Ballard moved to hire part time EMT Isabella Larraga at \$13.46 hr. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Heath Samuels, Greenwood County Sheriff requested a pay increase for Deputy James Cude to \$19.50hr.

Obourn moved to approve a pay increase for Deputy James Cude to \$19.50. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Vinson, discussed road map updates. Effective January 1, 2025

Fox moved to proceed with mapping changes. Obourn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Paul Dean informs commissioners that he will review resolution GWRV 24-03 and make revisions if needed.

Fox moved to approve a fifteen-minute executive session with County Clerk, Kathy Robison and Deputy County Clerk, Deann McCaffree regarding personnel. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0 Meeting to reconvene at 10:43. No decisions were made.

Obourn moved to appoint Deputy County Clerk, Deann McCaffree, KPERS designated agent. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0. (JE-24-49)

Fox moved to approve a five-minute executive session for legal. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0. No decisions. Meeting to reconvene at 10:50. No decisions were made.

Obourn moved to approve a five-minute break. Fox seconded. Motion carried.

Obourn moved to approve a five-minute executive session for personnel with Emergency Management Director Levi Vinson. Fox seconded. Motion carried 5-0. No decisions were made.

Levi Vinson presented \$200.00 tire bill to be paid out of the Emergency Management Fund. (JE24-48)

Evenson moved to adjourn at 11:06. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.



ATTEST: *Deann McCaffree*
Kathy Robison, County Clerk

Ben Fox
Ben Fox, Chairman

Malcolm Obourn
Malcolm Obourn, Vice Chairman

Paul Hodge
Paul Hodge, Member

Roy Ballard
Roy Ballard, Member

Preston Evenson
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