

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, Mac Obourn, Preston Evenson, Roy Ballard, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Deann McCaffree.

Commissioners led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hodge moved to approve October 14th, 2024 minutes as written. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Road and Bridge Report:

- Road and Bridge Supervisor, Allen Greenwood informed commissioners that it will cost around \$7,200.00 to repair the chip and seal machine.
- Greenwood discussed with commissioners a 2012 CAT 12m2 grader that is available for purchase, it has 3,300 hours and a one-year power train warranty. Greenwood stated CAT has always maintained the grader. (JE24-95)

Obourn moved to approve the purchase of 2012 CAT road grader. Ballard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

- Greenwood informed commissioners he had met with FEMA regarding the flood event in April and had 60 days to submit needed paperwork.
- Greenwood discussed X50 road and noted it was a stone crossing at one time and the current road had been laid over it and currently has a tree growing in the road and the culvert. Ballard stated Janesville township would buy a culvert and were in need of assistance to remove the old culvert.
- Ballard discussed the need for a shield for the forestry cutter. Commissioners asked Greenwood to look into an adapter for the old forestry cutter and what the electronics on the attachments do. Greenwood noted the John Deere tractor has shaft issues and was not running, commissioners encouraged him to look into the issue.

Evenson moved to approve special payables in the amount of \$2,841.81. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

County Clerk Deann McCaffree presented a resolution for a road vacation at 230th Rd. near W7. (RS24-10)

Fox moved to approve Resolution GWRV24-10. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. (RS24-10)

Twin Grove Township Trustee Cole Conard questioned commissioners about a lawsuit that the township was a co-dependent in with the county. The lawsuit was in regard to a road issue, Fox noted they had been advised by legal counsel not to discuss the matter. Commissioners did state they had previously viewed the road and had denied the road closure. Hodge believed the petition had been withdrawn. Commissioners stated they would have County Counselor Paul Dean contact Conard.

County Appraiser, Shawna Griffitts requested \$150.00 to purchase treats, for Main Street Trick or Treat on October 31, 2024.

Evenson moved to approve \$150.00 to purchase Halloween goodies. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Paige Blakley requested using the courthouse Gazebo for Main Street Trick or Treat. Commissioners were all in favor.

County Clerk, Deann McCaffree informed commissioners that early voting had begun October 21, 2024 at the courthouse. Election security and the voting process were also discussed.

Sheriff Heath Samuels informed commissioners of new hire Matt Mettling as School Resource officer, at a rate of \$18.50 an hour and that Deputy Jim Cude would be retiring October 30, 2024.

Fox moved to approve new hire Matt Mettling with the Greenwood County Sheriffs Department. Evenson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Evenson moved to adjourn. Hodge seconded. Motion carried 5-0.



ATTEST:

Deann McCaffree
Deann McCaffree, 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
Preston Evenson, Member