

MINUTES OF BOCC REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of Grant County, Oklahoma (BOCC) held a regular meeting **Monday, February 12, 2024**, at 9:00 am. Notice of the Meeting, including agenda, was posted at both entrances of the Grant County Courthouse, Medford, OK, Friday, February 9, 2024, by 9:00 am. in accordance with Title 25, §301-314 O.S.

Fredrick called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. After roll call, a quorum was acknowledged. Present were Craig A Fredrick, Max L Hess, and Steve Stinson. Cindy Pratt, Penny Huff, Kerstin Gilkey, and Jason Jump were also present. Teleconferencing was enabled to comply with the Open Meetings Act. The commissioners used their signature stamp.

Hess offered a prayer and Stinson led the flag salute.

Pratt acknowledged the agenda was properly posted in compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

No comments from the public.

Hess moved to approve (1) Transfer of Appropriation from Hwy-D3 M&O 1102-6-4300-2005 to Hwy D3 Capital Outlay 1102-6-4300-4110 - \$55,000.00. Stinson seconded. Fredrick – aye; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

Hess moved to approve Blanket Purchase Orders. Stinson seconded. Fredrick – aye; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

Hess moved to approve Purchase Orders and Travel Claims. Stinson seconded. Fredrick – aye; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

AMB SVC-ST 49, CULLIGAN OF ENID, 312.00, 50, BOUND TREE, 318.35;; **FAIR IMPROVE-ST** 71, CITY OF POND CREEK, 75.00, 72, CULLIGAN OF ENID, 371.65, 73, PRESTO-X PEST CONTROL, 216.00;; **GENERAL** 1042, KELLPRO, 272.24, 1043, STANDLEY SYSTEMS, 35.98, 1044, REDLANDS OFFICE SOLUTIONS, 366.82, 1045, MID-WEST PRINTING, 280.01, 1046, RK BLACK, 134.73, 1047, STOCKTON, KATRINA, 52.20, 1048, RANDALL-REILLY HOLDING CO, 200.49, 1049, CROSSROADS CO MARKET, 77.83, 1050, KANOKLA, 105.00, 1051, SLATER MECHANICAL, 450.50, 1052, INTEGRIS BASS OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE, 50.00, 1053, OG&E, 2280.07, 1054, OG&E, 9.25, 1055, UNIFIRST, 428.82, 1056, MEDFORD PATRIOT STAR, 1395.21, 1057, VERIZON WIRELESS, 238.31, 1058, HUFF, PENNY, 49.51, 1059, AMAZON CAPITAL SERV, 18.89, 1060, AMAZON CAPITAL SERV, 5.11, 1061, INTEGRIS BASS OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE, 50.00, 1062, CROSSROADS CO MARKET, 22.47, 1063, THOMSON REUTERS-WEST, 73.59;; **HEALTH** 138, BANK OF AMERICA, 67.17, 139, STANDLEY SYSTEMS, 154.90, 140, POSTAL SERVICE, 176.00, 141, SUMMIT UTILITIES, 301.44, 142, AT&T, 352.81;; **HIGHWAY** 1230, INTEGRIS BASS OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE, 85.00, 1231, MEDFORD PATRIOT STAR, 42.00, 1232, MUNN SUPPLY, 54.25, 1233, FARMERS GRAIN, 6653.49, 1234, UNIFIRST, 1025.07, 1235, STATE LINE GRAIN, 318.00, 1236, KELLEY'S AUTO PARTS, 21.13, 1237, INTEGRIS BASS OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE, 50.00, 1238, KELLEY'S AUTO PARTS, 3.86, 1239, PIONEER TELEPHONE, 67.98, 1240, OG&E, 209.08, 1241, MEDFORD PATRIOT STAR, 42.00, 1242, GORE'S GOTTA GO PORTABLE RESTROOMS, 260.00, 1243, AMAZON CAPITAL SERV, 152.59, 1244, AMAZON CAPITAL SERV, 345.80, 1245, AMAZON CAPITAL SERV, 402.06, 1246, AMAZON CAPITAL SERV, 390.34, 1247, DUB ROSS CO, 7193.60, 1248, YELLOWHOUSE, 161.28, 1249, CINTAS, 89.61, 1250, OG&E, 44.07, 1251, OG&E, 56.09, 1252, OG&E, 15.82, 1253, OG&E, 29.63, 1254, OG&E, 381.87, 1255, UNIFIRST, 167.67, 1256, OG&E, 177.65, 1257, INTEGRIS BASS OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE, 220.00, 1258, AMAZON CAPITAL SERV, 135.98, 1259, S&S COATING, 500.00, 1260, DOLESE, 1033.87, 1261, INTEGRIS BASS OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE, 50.00, 1262, SECURITY NATL BANK, 7202.72, 1263, DOLESE, 1569.38, 1264, PIONEER TELEPHONE, 54.60, 1265, YELLOWHOUSE, 1034.29, 1266, PIONEER TELEPHONE, 131.85, 1267, PIONEER TELEPHONE, 54.88;; **RURAL FIRE-ST** 161, DANIEL GARAGE DOORS, 5060.00, 162, FLAMING AUTO, 90.90, 163, ANDYS DISPOSAL, 50.00, 164, BANNER FIRE EQUIP, 221.06, 165, CULLIGAN OF ENID, 312.00, 166, OG&E, 330.20, 167, AED SUPERSTORE, 1459.00.

No action on Special Payroll for Election Board workers for Feb 2024 disbursement. Documents not available. Will be placed on the agenda for Feb 20, 2024.

Hess moved to approve the ODOT invoice for JP #33852(04) for District 2 in the amount of \$26,953.06. Fredrick seconded. Fredrick – aye; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

Stinson moved to approve the Purchase Contract for use of the ODOT Revolving Fund for the purchase of a John Deere 300 P-Tier Excavator in the amount of \$318,704.04 for District 3.

Hess seconded. Fredrick – aye; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

Hess moved to approve the minutes of the 02-05-24 regular meeting. Stinson seconded. Fredrick – aye; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

Stinson moved to approve the minutes of the 02-07-24 regular meeting. Hess seconded. Fredrick – abstain; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

No discussion with Pebbles Luddington, Freedom EMS & Fire with regards to Ambulance Services as she was unavailable due to an unexpected mandatory meeting.

The BOCC discussed ambulance service. Stinson reported an *Ambulance Service District-522* (Further known as *ASD*) would have a stand along board. The County Treasurer would collect all funds and deposit them in a designated fund/account. The BOCC would be involved in the establishment of the *ASD* board members. *ASD* boundaries would be based on school districts. Ambulance services can either be paid by sales tax collection or through establishing an *ASD* where ambulance services would be funded through ad valorem taxes. The decision to change to an *ASD* would be by the vote of the people. Hess reported the County's current method of collection for funds for emergency services is through sales tax which is currently at 1.25% and includes funds for services for all emergency services (County Fire Depts / Sheriff / Ambulance). The maximum statutorily allowed for sales tax is 2.00% except for sales tax increases for hospital purposes which can exceed 2.00%. Hess obtained information from the Assessor's Office and based on the current ad valorem tax collection figures, if 3 mills were added to the current ad valorem tax paid by all Grant County landowners, the additional total annual collection of funds would be approximately \$698,753. (Medford School District ad valorem tax collection would have an approximate annual increase of \$434,690. The other School Districts in Grant County would have a combined approximate annual increase totaling \$264,063.) Hess has reached out to other EMS manager/directors and may have them visit with the BOCC regarding ambulance services.

No new business.

Stinson attended the OPEH&W board meeting in OKC last week and reported a 5% increase to monthly health insurance premiums was approved for FY24-25. This will result in an approximately \$20 per month increase, per employee, in the premiums currently paid by the county. District 3 is hoping for good weather to continue general road maintenance. D3 is hauling rock to the Hawley Cemetery Road project which is possible through a much-appreciated donation for this project.

Hess reported District 1 is grading and hauling rock. D1 is also preparing to haul equipment to the upcoming Statewide Auction in Elk City to sell. Auction information will be placed on the Grant County website: grant.okcounties.org. Hess relayed our current health insurance is very good and OPEH&W provides good service and is always looking for ways to improve our plan. Hess received a letter regarding the Stateline Grain membership meeting that will be held in March, and it may be possible that Manchester, OK Stateline Grain will merge with Anthony, KS Stateline Grain.

Fredrick reported that due to the wet weather District 2 has gotten behind, so some employees are working on Friday(s) to help get caught up.

At 11:04 a.m. Hess moved to adjourn. Stinson seconded. Fredrick – aye; Hess – aye; Stinson – aye; Motion carried.

Approved this 20th day of February 2024

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GRANT COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

/s/ Craig A. Fredrick, Chairman -- /s/ Max L. Hess, Vice Chairman -- /s/ Steve Stinson, Member
/s/ Cindy Pratt, County Clerk