

## August 15, 2017

The Graham County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday August 15, 2017 opening to regular session with the flag salute. Commissioner Nelson called the meeting to order with member April Hofstetter and the County Clerk present. Minutes of the July 31, 2017 meeting were read. Commissioner Hofstetter made motion to approve minutes. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

### **Hospital**

Graham County Hospital Administrator, Melissa Atkins advised they are continuing to work on their conversion with Athena and Athena will be at the Graham County Hospital for training for the next several months.

### **Miscellaneous**

John Mapes and Mickie Helberg were present for the budget hearing. The budget hearing opened at 10:30a.m. Commissioner Hofstetter made motion to adopt the 2018 Budget. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

### **Emergency Services**

Mickie Helberg, EMS Director, presented EMPG Grant (Emergency Management Performance Grant). Commissioner Hofstetter made motion to approve grant. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Hofstetter made motion to recess to executive session under the Personnel Exception to discuss personnel matter of a non-elected personnel for 15 minutes. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. Commissioners returned to regular session at 11:05a.m. Mickie also reported she would like to update the bathrooms at the Emergency Services building. She would like to make one universal bathroom with a shower and handicap accessible. Commissioners requested Mickie to obtain bids for this project.

### **Road & Bridge**

Wayne Pfeifer, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reported they are currently working on the Goddard road. There was some flood damage on the southern part of the County.

### **Miscellaneous**

JohnElla Holmes, Nicodemus Township, reported on the Nicodemus Housing Authority and changes that are being made with the housing. Also the National Parks Service will be in Nicodemus August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30p.m. to discuss the future of the National Historical Society in Nicodemus. The township board is concerned about effectively running the town of Nicodemus without these two entities.

### **Fair**

Travis Bryant, Fair Board President, presented a report on the Rodeo that showed a loss. The fair board and the rodeo board will have a meeting on Monday August 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 p.m. in the County Commissioner room.

### **Miscellaneous**

Commissioners discussed implementing the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan, reviewed minutes from High Plains Mental Health and meeting attendance from Michelle Smee.

As there was no further business to discuss Commissioner Hofstetter made motion to adjourn. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

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Jana Irby, County Clerk

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Jason Nelson, Chairman