The Gray County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. with Mark Busch, Glenn Oyler and Ashley Rogers, County Clerk attending. Orville Williams entered the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Warrants were presented and allowed as follows: Accounts Payable #62255-#62317 and Payroll by direct deposit. Payments by funds were:

Payroll	\$75,423.43
County General	27,753.89
Road & Bridge	38,977.89
Landfill	292.74
Noxious Weed	227.81
County Health	15,758.22
Special Health	43.49
Ambulance	7,578.87
Ambulance Spec Equip North	3,857.50
PSAP 911E	294.02
Ambulance Spec Equip South	3,857.50
Appraiser	31.66
Equipment Reserve Fund	1,504.55
Payroll Holding	133,547.51
Rural Fire District	801.56

The quarterly department head meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. with the following individuals present: Kerry Schmidt, Treasurer; Jennifer Shumard, Appraiser; Renee Shriner, Register of Deeds; Brain McGrew, EMS Director; Sean Wendel, Public Works; Colby Ellis, Undersheriff; and Jeff Sharp, Sheriff.

Ashley discussed the upcoming election.

Kerry said they are stuffing tax statements and getting them ready to mail out. They are also busy with usual daily work.

Jennifer said her office is working on market values and seeing 6-10% increase. They also have 2 cases at the Board of Tax Appeals for ADM.

Renee said her office is now set up to take credit cards. There will be a 2.5% fee for the users.

Brian said EMS has been slower at this time. He then discussed the ambulance billing. He has 3 guys that will be trained to use the new drone. He said for fire he has one truck that is down with a crack in the tank. Should be fixed around January.

Sean said his department is busy mowing and blading roads.

Colby discussed doing a panic button test here at the courthouse.

Jeff said the new power phone is up and running. Everything is running well.

Employees carrying weapons was then discussed. We will look into creating a policy prohibiting it.

Once the department head concluded, Randy Dick, Bukaty Companies entered the meeting. He presented the county health insurance renewal. Orville moved to renew with Corporate Plan Management Insurance and Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Sean then presented (2) road crossing permits which were approved. He also informed the commission of a couple of accidents that happened at the county. Noxious Weed hit a tree with a county pickup and it will cost \$7,497.86 to repair it. He also had a grader hit a REA poll and it cost \$5,119.75 for Victory to repair it.

Sean then discussed fuel at the Montezuma yard. He can have the key system put in so that county departments can fuel up there instead of using outside resources. Mark moved to approve the bid of \$13,257.70 for Syntech Fuelmaster 2500Plus prokee master unit from Hoidale. Orville seconded the motion. The motion carried. Payment will be from the Capital Improvements fund. The bid is on file.

Chairman	
Attest:	
County Clerk	