

The Gray County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. with Mark Busch, Glenn Oyler, Orville Williams and Ashley Rogers, County Clerk attending.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Abatements #2023-001, Jeanette Nightengale for \$38.18; #2023-002, Jonathan Jellison for \$1,575.84; #2023-003, Charles Sauerwein for \$105.94; #2023-006, Rodger Davis for \$87.68; #2023-010, Ignacio Marquez for \$123.18; #2023-011, Ruthetta Plowman for \$6.18; #2023-012, Dirks Farms for \$23.86; #2023-014, Rickie Cox for \$13.38; #2023-016, Dan Thomas for \$291.98; #2023-017, Gilbert Barranca for \$13.44; #2023-018, David Reimer for \$103.44; #2023-020, Jerry Kinnamon for \$471.48; and #2023-021, Jayden Schafer for \$186.84 was approved.

Warrants were presented and allowed as follows: Accounts Payable #62318-#62418 and Payroll by direct deposit. Payments by funds were:

| | |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Payroll | \$161,912.05 |
| County General | 80,094.25 |
| Road & Bridge | 103,528.21 |
| Special Bridge | 8,150.00 |
| Special Highway | 19,401.57 |
| Landfill | 72,365.39 |
| Noxious Weed | 553.98 |
| County Health | 3,964.12 |
| Special Health | 933.57 |
| Ambulance | 4,646.20 |
| PSAP 911E | 590.81 |
| Appraiser | 3,219.19 |
| Election | 6,669.42 |
| Payroll Holding | 2,036.38 |
| Employee Benefit | 25.00 |
| Rural Fire District | 3,668.55 |

Approval was given for Road & Bridge to purchase rock from Ford Sand and Gravel for \$13,495.45.

Cost of living raises for 2024 were discussed. Mark moved to give all full-time employees that have been here at least a year a 4% increase for 2024. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Jeff Sharp & Colby Ellis entered the meeting at 10:00 a.m. They discussed the Law Enforcement Contract with the City of Cimarron. Decision was made to have the amount of the contract be \$250,000.00 for the first year and 10% increase each year after for 4 years. Decision was also made to have the city pay \$15,000 for Jeff and \$12,500 for Colby administering the contract. Mark will give the terms to the city and see what they decide. The current contract expires December 31, 2023.

Jeff then requested an executive session for 5 mins. Mark moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes at 11:05 a.m. for non-elected personnel. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried. No decision was made upon returning to regular session.

Sean Wendel and John Riggins entered the meeting. Sean presented (2) road crossing permits which were approved. He then discussed using crushed concrete from the landfill. He said the trees at the vacant lot will be removed next week. They are just staying busy building roads and mowing. He hopes to be done mowing by Christmas.

John discussed the letting for the 2024 crack and chip seal. It will be January 15, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. He will also be submitting an application for the HRRR.

Chairman

Attest: _____
County Clerk