

Gregory County Commission Proceedings

The regular meeting of the Gregory County Commission was held Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in Burke with the following members present: Jeff Johnson, Myron Johnson, Jessy Biggins, and Bob Hausmann. Members absent: Kelsea Sutton. Also present: Julie Bartling, Auditor.

The meeting was opened and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Jessy Biggins to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bob Hausmann, second by Jessy Biggins to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2020 meeting as read. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Conflicts of Interest: The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest from members present. None were notated.

Ex-Parte Communications: The Chair inquired if there have been any ex-parte communications by any member present. None were notated.

Public Input: The Commission opened the floor for public input.

Board of Adjustment: Motion by Bob Hausmann, second by Jessy Biggins to adjourn as a Board of Commissioners and to convene as a Board of Adjustment. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Application for Variance: The following application for a variance to build a house on a parcel of land less than 40 acres in an Ag District was presented to the Board:

- Rick & Nancy Getman: Lot C, Papousek 2nd Subdivision, Section 29-97-68 (Whetstone Twp.)

Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Bob Hausmann to approve the variance request. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Application for Variance: The following application for a variance to build a house on a parcel of land less than 40 acres in an Ag District was presented to the Board:

- Byron & Meghan Flood: Lot A & B, Papousek 2nd Subdivision, Section 29-97-68 (Whetstone Twp.)

Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Bob Hausmann to approve the variance request. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

BOA Adjourn: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Bob Hausmann to adjourn as a Board of Adjustment and to reconvene as a Board of Commissioners. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

2021 Department Budget Presentations: The following departmental budgets were presented throughout the meeting schedule for consideration by the Commission:

Director of Equalization:	\$ 129,125	EM & DS:	\$ 37,143
Planning & Zoning:	\$ 26,274	Veteran's Service Office:	\$ 16,844
Register of Deeds:	\$ 114,460	Nurse:	\$ 57,069
Modernization & Preservation:	\$ 7,000	Courthouse:	\$ 275,784
Treasurer:	\$ 121,183	Sheriff:	\$ 402,745
State's Attorney:	\$ 102,948	Jail:	\$ 166,800
Road & Bridge:	\$ 3,291,045	24/7 Sobriety:	\$ 23,517
Landfill:	\$ 138,300	Weed:	\$ 97,710
Auditor:	\$ 98,931	Commissioners:	\$ 85,693
Contingency:	\$ 100,000		

Access Road Discussion: Chad Peck met with the Commission to inquire as to a decision from the county on the ability of Becky Gnirk Mitchell to use a section line in Section 26 of Turgeon township for access to her property. No decision has been made at this time, and the Board will meet with the State's Attorney at the next meeting to further discuss the matter and make a final decision, provided all legal information is vetted.

Executive Session: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Bob Hausmann to enter into executive session to discuss personnel at 10:46 a.m. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bob Hausmann, second by Jessy Biggins to adjourn from executive session at 12:12 p.m. with no action taken. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Abatement of Taxes: Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Bob Hausmann to approve the following applications for abatement of taxes, as the structures on the properties were lost due to the August 6, 2020 tornado that impacted the City of Burke and surrounding areas:

- Mick & Becky McGee: E 90' of Lot 2; N1/2 of Lot 3; Block 30, O.T. Burke City - \$178.91 abated
- Herris Lambley (Lambley Trust): NE1/4SE1/4 of Section 25-97-72 - \$46.04 abated

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Travel Request: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Jessy Biggins to approve a request from Dale Reber, Veterans Service Officer to attend the State VSO Conference/School in Pierre on August 24-27, 2020. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Bob Hausmann to adjourn. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Julie Bartling, Gregory Co. Auditor

Jeff Johnson, Chair