

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
April 17, 2017

Bert Lowery, Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Kristi Cooper, Scott James, Chay Howard, Jay Schmidt, Kevin Lewis, Cody Sherer, Matt Christenson, Mitzi Hesser, Karen Butler, and Brenda Osborne attended the meeting.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, AP reports, PR reports and 3/4 minutes

After the pledge of allegiance, Bert called the meeting to order at 9:00.

John moved to approve the consent agenda with corrections to minute and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Bert adjourned the Commissioner meeting and called the BOH meeting to order at 9:01. Regular session began Bert adjourned the BOH meeting and called the Commissioner meeting to order at 9:06. Next Mitzi stated they are getting new Visa credit cards from Greensburg State Bank to be issued to Mitzi Hesser, Kerri Ulrich and Tanya Yost. Next Mitzi asked for a 15-minute executive session to discuss employee relations at 9:06 for non-elected personnel and asked Scott to stay. Bert moved for an executive session at 9:06 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 9:21 with no action taken. Mitzi left the meeting.

Jay Schmidt came forward and presented at payroll change for Sean Kost for his yearly merit increase. After review John moved to approve the pay change and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Matt Christenson came back to present more information that was requested from the last meeting regarding changes to the current PTO plan. Matt explained how the changes would impact department budgets in the personnel line. John moved to approve the change for the merit increase in section 3.4 only and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kristi Cooper came to present the election tapes and provisional ballots for the Special Spring Election. Kristi read the election tapes as the Commissioner tallied totals per the election tapes. Next Kristi presented 10 provisional ballots. She explained the reasons they were determined provisional. After review of them there were 8 that we approved to count and 2 were not counted. After she read the results the Commissioners compared tallies and after they agreed Bert moved to approve the election totals and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kevin Lewis, Vice-president of the executive board of the extension board for Kiowa County. He came to give some updates regarding the extension districting changes.

Cody Sherer came to discuss the old city hall in Mullinville for Mullinville fire department. He explained he was approached to see if there was any interest and explained they could use it for extras storage and somewhere to hold training or meetings. He also added as of right now there are no restrooms in the fire department building and they have 2 restrooms in the building that would be nice to have as well. He informed them that he is going to the city meeting tonight to get more information

and just though he would see if they would be interested before he went and by consensus they agreed to get more information and report back.

Pat Clucker and Sonia Channell with Santa Fe Trail Commission corrections came to discuss the Comprehensive plan to fund the programs that they offer. John moves to approve the comprehensive plan for FY18 and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

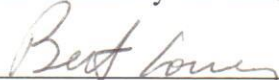
Matt Christenson came forward to discuss the proposal from the engineer contract on the Commons roof. John moved to approve the contract with PEC and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

John moved for an executive session at 11:50 for non-elected personnel for employee discussion and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 12:00 with no action taken. John moved to go back in executive session for an additional 10 minutes at 12:01 for non-elected personnel to discuss employee relations to include Matt Christenson, Scott James and Chay Howard and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 12:11 with no action taken. Bert asked to go back in executive session for 5 minutes to discuss employee relations for non-elected personnel at 12:11 Bert moved and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 12:16 with no action taken.

During Commissioner discuss Scott advised them updates for the Attorney General assisting with the case from Great Plains appeal. Next, they discussed the NRP program.

Meeting adjourned at 12:41

Kiowa County Commission:


Bert Lowery, Chairman


Ron Freeman, Vice-Chairman


John W. Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:


Kristi Cooper, County Clerk