

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
February 3, 2014

Bert Lowery, Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Kristie Odle, Gunnar Stauth, Matt Christenson, Terry Mayhew, Franklin Tuff & Jerry Keene.

After the prayer by Terry Mayhew, Bert called the meeting to order.

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

Gunnar Stauth came to give R&B updates. Items discussed were oil distributor, mowing tractor bid, and interest rates on grader leases. Next, they asked Gunnar what the snow routes are for the County. Gunnar explained they do the bus and mail routes first, then they start on County roads that residents live on, and then the others last.

Break 9:18 and regular session began at 9:41.

Matt Christenson came to present a quote for security cameras and mirrors for the entry at the Commons. Ron moved to purchase 2 security cameras at the price of \$135.99 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. By consensus they agreed to let the Museum director purchase the mirrors for Soda Fountain and Museum areas. Next, Matt explained the recording system the District Court has and after some discussion, they decided not to use the old system due to all the hardware that would need to be purchased in order to operate the recorder. With the upcoming renewal of EMC Insurance in May, the Clerk reminded the Commissioners they requested to look into removing coverage from the Library, Extension, Media Center and Museum. After some discussion, by consensus they agreed to keep paying for the insurance from those listed above.

Break 10:05 and regular session began at 10:27

During Commissioner Discussion, the Clerk asked for clarification on the Belvidere mowing for this year. By consensus, they agreed to have the Clerk write a letter to Ed Koger and ask him if he is interested in mowing the property again. Next, the Clerk wanted to talk about guidelines on closing the Courthouse for weather due to the storm that is supposed to be coming through tonight. After some discussion by consensus, they asked the Clerk to coordinate with Ray Stegman and Gunnar Stauth on delays or closings after the Commissioners have been contacted.

Gunnar came back to discuss the new Grader lease prices from Foley. He reported the new lease for the first grader would be \$22,971.62 and the second grader lease would be \$21,665.56. Bert moved to accept the leases with Foley and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:49.

Kiowa County Commission:

Bert Lowery
Bert Lowery, Chairman

Ron Freeman
Ron Freeman, Commissioner

John W Unruh
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Attest: Kristie Odle
Kristie Odle, County Clerk