

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting  
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room  
January 31, 2012

Present: Ron Freeman, Don Richards, John Unruh, Kristie Odle, Dawn Hayes, Ray Stegman, Erica Goodman, Gunnar Stauth, Eric Peters, Dee Chandler, Ann Dixon and M.T Liggett.

9:00: After the prayer given by Donald Richards, Chairman Donald Richards opened the meeting.  
Ron moved and John seconded to approve the agenda, motion carried.  
Ron moved and John seconded to approve the minutes of 1/17, motion carried.  
Ron moved and John seconded to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll subject to County Counsel, motion carried.

9:10 Erica Goodman came to represent the Tourism board with the following:  
She brought a schedule of events for the year and brought advertisement for The Legend magazine. Last year Kiowa County purchased advertisement in the magazine for \$200.00. They agreed they would do the same as last year but asked her to come back on the next meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> for approval.

9:15 Gunnar Stauth, Road & Bridge supervisor, came with the following:  
He brought two road crossing permits from Oneok and Windfarm Company. He also brought two survey permits from Wilson & Co and Douglas Roeder. He updated on the shop in Mullinville that the cement was poured for the flooring inside the shop and they added a sidewalk on the West side for a new exit door that they are looking to put in since there isn't a side exit. He showed two bids on grader tires. First bid is from Greensburg Tire \$7516.24 and the second bid is from Haviland Coop \$7780.40. He is still waiting on a bid from Cooper Tire out of Pratt. He will bring that in once he receives it. He talked about insulating the shop in Mullinville and it would approximately cost \$3100. He is going to wait till the end of this year to see how his budget sits before insulating the shop and also will check into doing the insulation in the Haviland shop as well. He showed pictures of the tree he cut down and the tree was seriously rotted. He is in contact with an engineer to speak to Paul and Shirley Unruh about their property. He also asks them to consider allowing more funds for next year budget to purchase newer equipment. He has a track hoe that needs a under carriage replaced and it will approximately cost \$25,000.00 from Berry Tractor Co.

10:00 Dee Chandler came with the following:  
Handed out pamphlets on Growing Rural Business's Programs on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. She also came to discuss the trip to Washington D.C for their annual visit with the U.S Congressman from Kansas. Last year the County contributed \$200.00 and is asking for the same amount this year. Ron moved to give \$200.00 for the trip and John seconded, motion carried.

10:10 Break

10:26 Regular session began.

10:26 Ann Dixon came to discuss possible noise control in the halls on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. She suggests installing carpet just like they had before the tornado. John asked Ray to check into the cost of the same carpet to be installed in the halls.

10:33 Eric Peters, Solid Waste Supervisor came with the following:  
He brought some pictures of a 2006 953C track loader with 3899 hours from Foley in Dodge City. They gave a quote of \$87,152.00 and he discussed that they have a 2011 953C track loader for



\$198,677.00. He informed that he had asked for a quote from other places and found out that the model isn't made by any other company. He explained that they wouldn't be interested in trading the old track loader for the used or the new loader due to the under carriage isn't original. Foley suggest that they scrap it for metal and that would bring around \$4000.00 to \$5000.00. The discussed about selling the old track loader on Purple Wave and just selling it for parts. Eric felt they would get more money out of it by scraping the metal. The track loader is a 1980 or 1979 with 15,000 hours After much discussion they came to agree that the 2011 track loader would be the better deal due to the 2006 was a rental equipment and Eric doesn't feel comfortable buying it due to not knowing how it was used . They asked Eric to contact them and see if they wouldn't be able to come down on the price by \$10,000.00 and that they would make a decision on February 6<sup>th</sup>. If he could get the price down then he could purchase the item and they all agreed. Eric will contact Foley and see what they will do.

11:00 M.T Liggett joined the meeting

11:30 Open Forum

Ray Stegman came with an emergency light renewal for Jeremy Hoover. Ron moved to approve the renewal and Don seconded. He also informed them that he was looking into replacing the chairs in the Commission room for the audience. He will be attending the LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) meeting April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> with Kendal and Lorena Lothman. The only expense for the trip will be transportation. Ron moved to allow them to attend the LEPC meeting and John seconded, motion carried.

Don added to the discussion on the topic of the Kiowa County Hospital Pharmacy and the County Attorney. Dawn added that Candace Lattin has applied for District Judge in Pratt County and that not sure when that position would be chosen. There wasn't much discussion on the Pharmacy due to not enough information.

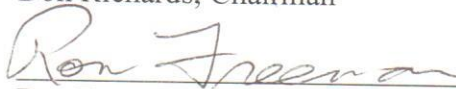
John asked about the redistricting of the Commissioners lines and Dawn added that they are waiting for the legal description from the State before changes can be made. Also added were the severed minerals issues in Comanche County. M.T Liggett added to the discussion.

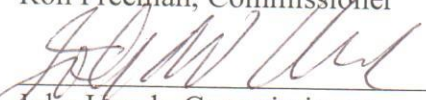
11:50 Eric returned to the meeting and presented the new offer on the 2011 Track loader from Foley. The new price is \$191,250.00. They continued to table the purchase till the 6<sup>th</sup> of February and asked Eric to come with new financing details on the new offer.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03.

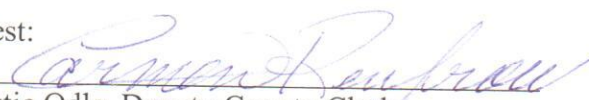
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Don Richards, Chairman

  
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Ron Freeman, Commissioner

  
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John Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:

  
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Kristie Odle, Deputy County Clerk