

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
June 30, 2014

Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Shelly Fisher, Scott James, Kristie Odle, Gunnar Stauth, John Riggins, Jeff Jenson, Ray Stegman, Matt Christenson, Jeff Blackburn, Bob Wetmore, Mitzi Hesser, DJ McMurry and Jerry Keene.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll and Accounts Payroll reports & 06-16-14 minutes.

After the prayer that was given by Jeff Blackburn, Ron called the meeting to order.

Clerk assigned Shelly Fisher to record the minutes of this meeting.

John moved to approve the consent agenda and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Gunnar came to request a 10-minute executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss ITC contract negotiations. John moved for the executive session at 9:03 and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0. Regular session began at 9:13 with no action taken. John Riggins with ITC came to discuss the Kirkham Michael proposal for the 57th Ave. overlay project. Discussion was tabled with no action taken. Gunnar let the commissioners know that Road & Bridge needs several new tires and presented estimates from Greensburg Tire for \$8465.06 and Haviland Farmers Co-Op \$9436.00. John moved for Road & Bridge to purchase the tires from Greensburg Tire, Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0. Gunnar presented a new Solid Waste Disposal fee schedule that he and Joel came up with to include Tire Disposal with Rim costs for the land fill. John moved to approve the changes and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0. Gunnar also brought up mowing or getting someone to bale at the North Landfill. By consensus, they agree that Gunnar would get bids for someone to come in and bale it. The last item discussed was several of the County right of ways being sprayed by farmers. Gunnar is to get Scott a list of the farmers doing this.

Break at 9:37 and regular session began at 9:45.

Ray came to request a 5-minute executive session for non-elected-personnel to discuss an employee evaluation. Ron moved for the executive session at 9:45 and John seconded, motion carried 2-0. Regular session began at 9:50 with no action taken. Ray presented a Payroll Change sheet for Dell Bertram. Ron moved to approve the Payroll change and John seconded, motion carries 2-0. Ray also let the commissioners know that he and Jay Koehn lifted the burn ban and control burns still need to contact the Sheriff's Office.

Bob Wetmore with Great Plains Development came in to discuss updates and membership dues. No action taken and discussion was tabled until Bert is back.

DJ came in with 4 bids from Dwane Shank Motors, 4 from Doug Rey Chevrolet, and 1 from Lanterman Motors for a new Appraiser pickup. After some discussion, John made the motion to purchase a 2014 Chevrolet 1500 Silverado from Dwane Shank Motors for \$32,790.00 and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Matt presented two bids for a lift rental so that Dave can put caulking around the upper floor windows of the Courthouse. The first one was an oral quote from Pratt Glass in the amount of \$1200 for one

day's work to inspect windows and possibly fix them. The second was from United Rentals in Dodge City in the amount of \$1320.30 for one week for the rental of the lift, the safety equipment, and delivery and pick up fee. Dave would do the maintenance on the windows. Ron moved to rent the lift from United Rentals and John seconded, motion carried 2-0. Matt also let the commissioners know that he is waiting on more bids for the door at the Red Barn and that he has received two bids for the concrete work around the door. After some discussion, Matt was asked to get some bids for an electric door as well. The last item Matt discussed was his evaluation that the commissioners need to have completed and turned into the Clerk's office by Friday July 18th so that they may present it to Matt at the meeting on July 21st. In addition to Matt's upcoming evaluation, he also let the commissioners know that he would not be able to use all of his vacation time before his anniversary date and asked if he could carry over a total of 8 days, which was approved by consensus.

Mitzi came in to discuss hiring Morgan Ulrich on a contract basis to complete some filing for the Health Department that is left over from the tornado, approved by consensus.

Break at 10:55 and regular session began at 11:00.

Gunnar came and requested a 15-minute executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss ITC contract negotiations. Ron moved for the executive session at 11:02 and John seconded, motion carried 2-0. Regular session began at 11:17 with no action taken. John moved for a cash settlement to ITC for 57th Ave in the amount of \$1.3 million Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

During Commissioner Discussion, John brought up the Hospital allowing employees to use equipment for personal use. According to statute 8-301, this is not permit able. Next Scott brought up the upcoming Primary election regarding the Hospital Board positions. After some discussion, it was decided that Scott and Kristie will look into cleaning up the resolutions regarding Hospital Board appointments after the 2014 elections.

The meeting adjourned at 11:53.

Kiowa County Commission:



Ron Freeman, Vice Chairman



John W. Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:


Shelly Fisher, Deputy County Clerk