Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room March 31, 2014

Bert Lowery, Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Kristie Odle, Gunnar Stauth, Debbie Allison, Mitzi Hesser, Kendal Lothman, DJ McMurry, Franklin Tuff & Jerry Keene.

CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDES: Agenda, AP reports, PR reports, 03-17-14, 3-19-14 & 3-27 Commissioner Minutes

After the prayer was given by Franklin Tuff, Bert called the meeting to order.

John moved to approve the consent agenda and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. John moved to approve the tax corrections and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Ron moved to approve the revised Policy 402 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Ron moved to approve the tax corrections as presented and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Gunnar Stauth came to request a 5-minute executive session to discuss an employee annual evaluation. Ron moved for the executive session at 9:07 to include County Clerk and Attorney, John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 9:12 with no action taken. Next, Gunnar presented a Payroll change sheet for Jerry McClain and Joel Schmidt. Bert moved to approve the Payroll change and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next, Gunnar gave R&B updates which included the following: additions to the purple wave sale list from Noxious Weed, High Risk Rural Roads Signage grant, County roads maintenance and Grant Street. Gunnar asked to state a correction on the transfer of funds on the Minutes of 2-28-14 should be Special R&B Equipment. Ron moved to correct the minutes and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. After much discussion on Asphalt roads Gunnar asked to transfer \$331,000 from R&B to Special R&B. Bert moved to approve the transfer of funds and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Break 9:51 and regular session began at 9:58

Mitzi Hesser came to inform the Commissioner they had a good turnout at the health fair with 500 patients for blood work. Next she asked for a 5 minute executive session for non-elected personnel at 9:59 to discuss 1 employee annual review. Ron moved and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 10:04 with no action taken. Mitzi presented a payroll change sheet for Marsha Klein. Ron moved to approve the payroll change sheet and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Break 10:27 and regular session began at 10:30

Ken Klemm with Kansas Natural Resource Coalition came to discuss the next phase on the listing of the lesser prairie chicken. No action was taken regarding the invoice of \$2553.38.

Kyle Clark and Mitzi Hesser came to discuss changes with the South Central Local Environmental Protection Group (SCLEPG). Kyle gave updates and after some discussion on the group disbanding, John moved to withdraw Kiowa County as of March 31st, 2014 and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

During Commissioner Discussion the Clerk presented a Payroll change for a new Sheriff deputy Eric Witzleb. Ron moved to approve the payroll change sheet and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Quote on the floors at the Community Center were tabled till next meeting. Bert wanted to talk about

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patrol cars being used for deputies who live out of County. John requested to have Kendal come to the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:13.

Kiowa County Commission:

Bert Lowery, Chairman

Ron Freeman, Commissioner

John W. Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:

Kristie Odle, County Clerk

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