

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
March 04, 2013

Present: Ron Freeman, Bert Lowery, John Unruh, Kristie Odle, Terry Mayhew, Jeff Jenson, Scott James, Gunnar Stauth and Ray Stegman.

After prayer given by Terry Mayhew, John Unruh opened the meeting.

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

Gunnar Stauth, Road & Bridge supervisor, came with the following:

Gunnar presented updated snow removal map of the county that his crew are working on this week. He also asked for clarification for low maintenance roads since he has some residents ask to have them cleaned and he explained he doesn't open those roads due to them being low maintenance and by consensus the Commissioners' agreed.

Jeff Jenson with ITC stopped by to see if there were any questions on the agreement and Gunnar informed him that the agreements were signed and will be sent to Kim Goodnight this week.

Before break John request for a break down on all the unused sick and vacation time for 2012 and the values. Kristie asked for a short break so she could get the information that was requested.

Break 9:35

Meeting began at 9:45

Kristie presented a breakdown sheet of all the sick and vacation time value for 2012. After looking over the sheet John asked about the STD (Short Term Disability) policy and Kristie explained how that policy works and there were concerns on keeping the policy and not changing the sick time max of 720 sick hours. John suggests talking with our insurance consultant about the STD policy or possibly looking into making changes to the sick time policy.

There was discussion on the Theatre petition and John expressed he felt the petition was misleading for the tax payers because it just simply asked if they were in favor of the completion of the facility not if they were in favor if it raised the taxes. Bert asked Kristie to contact Theresa Dasenbrock if there would be an increase on taxes if the County contributed to the theatre.

Next John went over the proposal from KLPG (Kansas Legislative Policy Group) and asked Kristie to contact them about coming and visiting with them at a meeting.

Break 10:35

Meeting began at 10:46

Next Scott presented the changes for the employee policy 302 and 502. Scott informed them that the policy wasn't changing but just that some of the wording needed to be revised. After reading the changes for the policies Bert moved to accept the changes and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Kristie will update the policy book and disperse the changes to all the employees.

Gunnar came back with Ray Stegman to discuss a FEMA grant to fix county roads with the Federal Aide Highway Act. By consensus they agreed to leave it up to Ray and Gunnar to choose the roads that would be allowed by the grant.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:06.

Kiowa County Commission:



John W Unruh, Chairman



Bert Lowery, Commissioner



Ronald Freeman, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristie Odle, County Clerk

Sign In Sheet
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Name:

Affiliation

Don Richards
JEFF JENSEN ITC-TRANSMISSION LINE

Lined area for additional sign-in entries.