

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting  
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room  
May 21, 2012

Present: Ron Freeman, Don Richards, John Unruh, Dawn, Hayes, Suzanne Titus

The Clerk assigned Suzanne Titus to record the minutes of this meeting

9:02 After giving a prayer, Don opened the meeting.

Ron moved and Don seconded to approve the consent agenda, motion carried

Ron moved and Don seconded to approve the minutes of 5/7, motion carried

Don moved and John seconded to approve the one payroll change, motion carried

9:05 Gunnar Stauth, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came with the following:

He presented asphalt bids from APAC for 2000tons @ \$59.09/ton, and Heft & Sons for 1000 tons @ \$49.90/ton (last year's material), 1000 tons @ \$63.80/ton (new material). The Commissioners approved by consensus the Heft & Sons bid.

He only received one chat bid from McKinney Harvesting. It came in at \$30.00/ton (includes chat & delivery). John moved and Ron seconded to approve the McKinney Harvesting bid, motion carried.

Fence Bids were presented from Wichita Fence Co-\$21,658.00, and Superior Fence-\$16,468.76. John moved, Ron seconded to approve the Superior Fence bid, motion carried.

Gunnar heard from Donna (Banco Ins) that EMC insurance company is willing to pay \$2,900.00 to repaint the damaged loader. It would cost approximately \$5,800.00 to repaint the whole machine. Jackie Robertson mentioned to John that Gunnar ask for another adjuster. The commissioners all agreed with this suggestion.

9:40 Mitzi Hesser, Health Dept Director, came to present her budget request for 2013 to the Commissioners. She also updated the Commissioners on what's going on in the Health Dept.

9:48 Pam Muntz, Extension & Paul Unruh, Ext Board President came to present their budget request for 2013 to the commissioners.

She let the Commissioners know that Carmen Stauth will be moving to Nebraska and has taken a job with Farm Bureau. The Extension board has decided to replace her and will be putting a notification in area papers as well as the K-State network. They have tentatively set an interview date for July 9<sup>th</sup>. There was some discussion on having just one agent, and Paul mentioned the risk of losing some of their funding and/or programs if they were to have just one agent for Kiowa Co.

She also gave an update to the Commissioners from the Extension office and reported that there are 26 kids signed up to go to 4-H camp this year.

10:08 Break

10:20 Kristin Hines, CASA came with the following:

She also came to request \$250.00 for the 2013 fiscal year to the Commissioners.  
10:40 Jan West & Grant Neuhold, Kiowa Co Media Center came with the following:  
They gave updates to the Commissioners from the Media center.  
Jan also presented their budget request for 2013 to the Commissioners.

11:05 Sheldon Carpenter & Carolyn Irvin, Iroquois Center came with the following:  
Sheldon presented their budget request for 2013 to the commissioners.

11:33 Eric Peters, Landfill

He reported that they hauled 2 loads of E-waste to Rice Co which cost \$790.00 @ \$.10/lb. This amount was collected in about 7 months time. He mentioned that Tech Inc from Hutchinson would take the E-waste for \$.15/lb for TV's & Monitors, and not charge for everything else. Dawn suggested that Eric get a copy of the agreement with Rice Co. Ron moved and John seconded to table this issue till the May 31<sup>st</sup> meeting, motion carried.

He also reported that there are dry joints on the track loader that was purchased 3 months ago. It is showing 100% wear and is going to cost \$12,613.00 to repair; it is not covered under the warranty. The Commissioners agreed by consensus that they would like to meet with Jay Wade at the May 31<sup>st</sup> meeting.

He wanted to let the Commissioners know that there is an Operator Training in Garden City on May 30<sup>th</sup> and he would like to take Joel Schmidt this year.

11:52 Chris Wirth, Pat Barnes, Traci Gumpenberger, & Marilyn Goodheart, Library Board came with the following:

Chris presented their budget request for 2013 to the commissioners. He also presented a financial statement as of May 7, 2012.

11:56 Bruce Foster, Noxious Weed came with the following:

He presented his budget request for 2013 to the Commissioners. He also presented a sheet showing the cost for chemical mowing.

12:14 Chad Pore, EMS

He reported that they are having issues getting patients into the ambulance and presented a brochure for a power lift system. The system costs about \$25,000-\$30,000. He would try to get outside funding for it or as a final option a base purchase option. The Commissioners agreed by consensus to let Chad proceed with the process to fund the purchase of this system.

The out of state conference is in New Orleans this year. It is a 3 day conference in late October-early November. The cost for two people is about \$2,000-\$2,500. Don asked Chad to provide a breakdown of charges for the conference. There is also an administrative conference in Colorado in July. If he decides to go the registration fee will come out of his budget.

He also reported that he is looking for a full time employee who is preferably a paramedic. He had one of his employees take another position inside the hospital.



The meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm

Kiowa County Commission:

Donald A. Richards

Don Richards, Chairman

Ron Freeman

Ron Freeman, Commissioner

John Unruh

John Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:

Suzanne Titus

Suzanne Titus, Administrative Assistant