

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
September 16, 2013

Present: John Unruh, Ron Freeman, Bert Lowery, Kristie Odle, Scott James, Gunnar Stauth, Ray Stegman, Kendal Lothman, Andy Kimble, Mitzi Hesser, Matt Christenson and J.W Keene.

After the pledge of allegiance, John opened the meeting
Ron moved to approve the consent agenda and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Gunnar reported the 10th Ave overlay project is completed and informed due to the late start that there are 8 days of liquidating damages and asks to take off 4 days of the liquidating damage dates due to them helping on other projects. Bert moved to make the 8 days of liquidating damage to 4 days total and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. He also reported repairs on the John Deere tractor, skid loader lease from White Star, asphalt roads and belly dump application had been approved.

Next Gunnar reported the KDHE issues on the North closed landfill. He read the letter from KDHE and will be working on the issues by the end of this year to comply with KDHE. Gunnar asked for a 15 executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss contract negotiations to include clerk and attorney. Bert moved for a 15 minute executive session at 9:26 and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 9:41 with no action taken. Next Gunnar asked if he could use dirt from his pasture on East Grant, ½ mile east of 31st to use for fill at the County at no cost and by consensus they agreed to allow him to get soil from his property to be used to fill holes and such through the County at no charge.

Break 10:00

Andy Kimble came to discuss finding on the City boundary's on North St in Mullinville.

Break 10:30

John adjourned the Commissioners meeting at 10:30 and called the Board of Health meeting to order. Mitzi came to give updates on the health department as in color run entries, vaccine insurance check, trade the Health department van at the end of the year. Next Mitzi asked if the Commissioner were going to approve flu shots for all County employees and to include the Extension and Library employees and by consensus they agreed to approve the flu shots at no cost to the employees. John adjourned the Board of Health meeting at 10:39

Regular session began at 10:39

Matt Christenson came with the purchase order agreement on the new phone system for the Courthouse and he advised he would take this out of Courthouse Capital Outlay fund. Ron moved to approve the purchase order agreement with Wind Stream for \$31,298.61 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Break 11:18

Following topics were addressed during Commissioners discussion. First item presented was the Resolution 2013-18 to allow liquor consumption at the fair grounds on September 26th – 29th. Bert

moved to approve Resolution 2013-18 and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-1. Ron and Bert are in favor and John is not in favor. Next the Clerk presented State holidays for 2014 and District Court holidays for 2014 from Judge Love. The Commissioners will approve holidays for 2014 at the next meeting. Kristi asked if the Courthouse could close December 24th at noon due to only one day off for Christmas and Bert moved to close the Courthouse at noon on December 24th and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Discussed homecoming parade and Bert will enter a float on behalf of Kiowa County and Kristi will assist on decorating the float.

Meeting adjourned at 11:57

Kiowa County Commission:



John W Unruh, Chairman



Bert Lowery, Commissioner



Ronald Freeman, Commissioner

Attest: 

Kristie Odle, County Clerk