

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
October 31, 2017

Bert Lowery, Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Kristi Cooper, Travis Payne, Scott James and Terry Mayhew attended the meeting.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll and AP reports and Commissioner minutes of 10/16:

After the prayer was given by Terry Mayhew, Bert opened the meeting and John moved to approve the consent agenda as presented with corrections to minutes as presented and Ron seconded motion carried 3-0.

Travis Payne came forward to give updates on the bridge at 53rd Ave and B St. And he reported that the cost of the decking on the bridge would be \$1260. After some discussion they tabled it till after the bridge inspection. Next, he asked to purchase 16 sets of bib overalls and coats from Uni-First for \$1824 for his employees. After some discussion Ron moved to buy 16 sets in the color of blue and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. He also included to list the lathe from the landfill and the old C65 2-ton spray truck on purple wave and it was by consensus to list them. Additionally, He also added that the Belvidere shop has been insulated on the R&B side and working on cleaning out the fire side and the door has been installed.

Rosia Spainhour and Tina Thronesbery came in at 9:12.

Travis then informed them that Cat came out and rewired the generator for the transfer switch. Next, they discussed moving the other generator to the community building and Travis will get bids on the cost to hook it up and report back. He also reported that the skid plate for the compactor will be \$4200 since it didn't have one when it went to the shop. Bert moved to purchase the skid plate and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Debbie Price came in at 9:19.

Ray Stegman came in at 9:22.

Shawna Stegman came in at 9:25.

Travis inquired on the road where the airport is going and explained it is a minimum maintenance road and wanted to know if he needed to bring any material in due to it being the airport road and due to missed opinions it was discussed not to do anything at this time. Last, he gave figures on crushing concrete and after some discussion Ron moved to approve to rent the crusher for one month for \$27,500 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

John added that Jay Jones donated the dirt on his lot across the 54 hwy in Haviland to the County and Travis instructed he would move it to the shop in Haviland for now.

Ray Stegman came forward to discuss the fairgrounds due to no members from the rodeo club were present. Bert expressed concerns about the fence by the red barn. Ray explained he isn't on the board, but he would report back to the rodeo board on what the Commissioner's would like to do.

Ray also wanted to talk about the tower again. Ray explained that he informed from Randy with Randy's Tower Service could find the parts for the tower and this would decrease the bids, but he is waiting on bids for the tower again for 3 companies. He also asked to set up a line item in the budget for the tower for future expenses. John moved to start a line item for the communication tower for maintenance for the next budget and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Scott also wanted to talk about the lights on volunteer vehicles. Ray added that he and Jay Koehn is going to talk with the volunteers regarding lights on personal vehicles and issue the applications to them and inform them how the process is supposed to work and that the application must be approved by the Commissioner's prior to installing. Chris added that he is working on getting some training on the volunteers with lights as well.

Break for 9:58

Chris Tedder came forward to discuss the leaking pipes in the jail. He had another leak, but they came out and fixed it the next day and there were no other charges for the leaks. And he is waiting for them to set up a date to fix it. Chris explained that there was incident with one of the K9's and that K9 is no longer part of the unit Chris explained making them have just one K9.

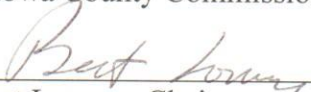
Scott request an executive session for 15 minutes pending litigations to include the Sheriff. Bert moved at 10:33 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 10:48 with no action taken.

Kristi Cooper asked to appoint Kari Kyle to the SWKAAA board to fill the upcoming vacancies. Ron moved to appoint Kari Kyle SWKAAA region 6 council board member and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner discussion. Scott informed them the hearing for the Open Records with the hospital will be December 13th at Topeka. Ron wanted to continue the discussion for the airport and explained that is not in favor of changing minimum maintenance road to an open road. Next, Chay Howard came back for clarification on what the Commissioner's wanted regarding the fence at the fairgrounds.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00

Kiowa County Commission:


Bert Lowery, Chairman


Ron Freeman, Vice-Chairman


John W. Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:


Kristi Cooper, County Clerk