

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room

April 19, 2010

Present: Don Richards, Ron Freeman, Gene West, Carmen Renfrow, Jeff Blackburn, Dawn Hayes.

9:00 Ron opened the meeting after a prayer offered by Pastor Blackburn.

Ron asked for approval of the agenda. Carmen stated that Kendal would not be attending the meeting today and Mitzi Hesser, Health Nurse, was scheduled in his place at 10:00 am. Gene moved to approve the agenda as amended, Don seconded, motion carried.

Don moved and Gene seconded to approve the accounts payable, motion carried.

Carmen presented payroll changes for Jeri Smith, Wendel Friesen, and the Election Poll Workers; Gene moved and Don seconded to approve the changes, motion carried.

9:15 Gunnar Stauth, Road & Bridge Supervisor, attended the meeting with the following:

We received the Resolution from Stull Law Office for acceptance of the Gyp Hills Regional Solid Waste Five Year Review. Gene moved and Don seconded to approve the Resolution 2010-11, motion carried.

Carmen will send a signed copy to Stull Law Office and publish the Resolution in two consecutive issues off the Kiowa County Signal.

On June 5th the recycling center will be collecting E-Waste, electronics, phones, batteries, etc. in conjunction with Rice County.

A dozer is in for repairs again at an estimated cost of \$24,000 and up.

Gunnar auctioned off unused equipment on Purple Wave on-line auction and made \$34,000.

He presented a payroll change for Mike Harrell; his probation period is completed. Don moved and Gene seconded to approve the payroll change, motion carried.

Gunnar showed the Commission pictures of before and after on jobs they have completed.

On April 27th there is a meeting with KDOT regarding the 54 Corridor.

9:35 Matt Christenson came in with Gunnar regarding generator back-up at Road & Bridge. What we have currently isn't big enough. They discussed the best way purchase a generator adequate for the job. Gunnar is waiting for a report from RDH Company that will tell them what size is needed. Matt will also talk with the Architects and Engineers to get their suggestions.

10:00 Mitzi brought in a list of members for SCKCPH to be approved by the Commission; Gene moved, Don seconded, motion carried to approve the list.

Mitzi asked if we could find or acquire an electronic copy of our policy manual.

She suggested some kind of flex account for medical deductible for our next benefits package.

There is still a noise problem in one of the offices in the Health Dept. It's assumed to be the heat pump. Ray is working with contractors to find a solution.

10:30 Chad Pore, Ambulance Director, reported there may be for EMS equipment that can be reimbursed by FEMA.

He was asked to come back at the Commissioners request after they looked at the budget for funds for the requested new ambulance. Matt wasn't available, so the Commissioners couldn't answer yet. They agree the need for the new vehicle. Chad has looked into a lease option purchase. Commissioners suggested he pursue that until they know what is available in the budget.

11:00 John Wickland, Senior Citizens Executive Director, came to update the Commission on his progress. He presented an agenda of what he will talk to them about. (see attached). They discussed deeding back the busses to the senior organization so they can insure and maintain them.

Commissioners received from John a copy of the post tornado financials. He listed what came in and where the funds have been spent or saved.

He has acquired a temporary location to resume meetings and meals at the Methodist Church. They are hoping to start the first or second week in May. He will maintain an office at the 5.4.7. Art Center on Saturdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, with the original phone number.

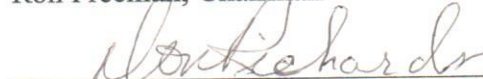
John's priorities for the Senior Center is first to get the services started in the temporary location with the building project being put on hold. He needs to determine what the senior population is and who they will be serving to determine what size building is needed.

Gene moved and Don seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 am, motion carried.

Kiowa County Commission:



Ron Freeman, Chairman



Don Richards, Commissioner



Gene West, Commissioner

Attest:



Carmen Renfrow, County Clerk