

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
April 30, 2015

Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Bert Lowery, Kristi Cooper, Shannan McMahon, Jay Schmidt, Matt Christenson, Franklin Ruff, Terry Mayhew, Bob Wetmore, Donna McDonald and Jackie Robertson

Consent agenda included: Agenda and 4-20 minutes.

Ron opened the meeting following the prayer given by Terry Mayhew.

After corrections made, Bert moved to approve the 4-20-15 minutes, John seconded and motion carried 3-0.

At 9:03 Jay gave an update that he is anticipating finishing up the patchwork on northern blacktop by next week and will then begin mowing on county roads. Next, he said he got a call that there was a water leak at the Haviland shop and they are working on getting that fixed.

Jay is checking into using oil to pack down the dirt roads which should help in maintenance, he will call KDHE for guidance. He then stated that the backhoe at the Landfill needs to be either replaced or repaired, John suggested to move the old one at Road & Bridge over to the landfill and buy a used one for R&B. Jay would like to advertise for two more employees and says he has two viable candidates he would like to interview. Also, he plans on giving a verbal reminder to all existing employees, that there is a \$10,000 fine for talking on a cell phone while operating a company vehicle with a CCDL. Jay left meeting at 9:30.

Ron moved for a break at 9:31, meeting resumed at 9:41.

Matt arrived at 9:45.

At 9:46 Ron moved for a 5 minute Executive session to include Matt, Kristi and Shannan. Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Regular session resumed at 9:50. No action taken.

Bert sustained from following session:

Matt presented two bids for installation of a sidewalk and parking area on the south side of the Sheriff's Office. Pueblo Concrete submitted a bid of \$14790.00 and AH Contracting submitted a bid of \$18,880.00. Ron moved to accept the Pueblo Concrete bid and have funding come from the Building Fund. John seconded, motion carried 2-0. Matt left meeting @ 10:00

At 10:01 Bob Wetmore of Great Plains Development arrived to discuss the many options available for funding & building resources, as well as; how he would be able to assist the county in applying for grants.

At 10:25 Ron called for a 5 minute break. Regular session resumed at 10:30.

Donna McDonald & Jackie Robertson from Banco Insurance arrived to review the County's policy renewal which includes; Auto and Workman's Compensation.

John moved to approve the Insurance renewal, Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

At 10:53, Kristi presented payroll changes for 5 non-elected employees. Ron moved to approve the changes, John seconded and motion was carried 3-0.

Next, Kristi, presented 2 sealed bids for Belvidere mowing as follow:

Ed Koger -\$50.00 per mow as needed, including clean-up, weed eating & spraying for 2015 season.
Hank Halley- \$45.00 per mow. Mr Halley's bid was ineligible for consideration as he did not meet the bid requirements, leaving Mr. Koger's bid as the only eligible bid.

John moved to accept Ed Koger's bid, Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kristi then presented tax corrections for Greensburg Greentown, John moved to approve the corrections, Bert seconded, motion was carried 3-0.

At 11:05 Kristi asked for a ten minute Executive Session to discuss a non-elected employee.

Ron moved to enter into an Executive Session to include Kristi and Shannan from the Clerk's office, John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Regular session resumed at 11:10 with no action taken and Ron moved for an extended 10 minute Executive session at 11:11, John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Regular session resumed at 11:21 with no action taken.

Commission Discussion commenced at 11:23

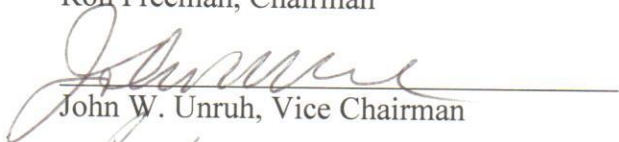
John noted that Cyndee Tuttle had been quoted in the Kiowa County Signal that there was a possibility of the Recycle Center re-opening. Since there has been no discussion of the Center re-opening at any Commissioner meeting, John suggested having a discussion with Jay regarding the matter. Also, noted that We will need to ask Jay if he has heard back from Steve Heft in regards to the Scrub-seal project proposal. Bert attended the Hospital Board meeting last week and noted there will be a public Forum on June 2nd.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:54.

Kiowa County Commission:



Ron Freeman, Chairman

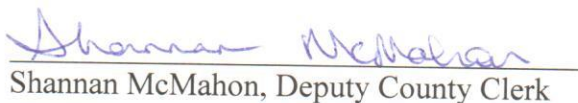


John W. Unruh, Vice Chairman



Bert Lowery, Commissioner

Attest:



Shannan McMahon, Deputy County Clerk