

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting  
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room  
August 29, 2014

Bert Lowery, Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Kristie Odle, Gunnar Stauth, Mitzi Hesser, Matt Christenson, Rhonda Fernandez, Jeff Blackburn & Jerry Keene

Consent agenda included: Agenda, AP reports, PR reports & 8-18 minutes.  
After the prayer was given by Jeff Blackburn, Bert called the meeting to order.

Ron moved to approve the consent agenda and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Gunnar Stauth came to request a 5 minute executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss an employee evaluation. Bert moved for the executive session at 9:02 and Ron seconded, motion carried. Regular session began at 9:07 with no action taken. Gunnar then presented a Payroll change sheet for Jerald Schmidt. Ron moved to approve the Payroll change and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next Gunnar presented the master agreement on bridge inspections with the State of Kansas for 75 bridges to be inspected at \$95 each with a grand total of \$7,125 and added there was an increase on the fees. John moved to sign the agreement and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Gunnar then informed the Commissioners that the Kansas Department of Transportation sent a letter that informed him application had been approved and would be out next week to inspect the intersections Gunnar had selected for the Grant. Next he informed that the brush broom was working great and that they would send the invoice soon for \$25,000. He also informed them that the trash compactor that was listed on Purple Wave would be coming down and would be keeping it for now due to some easy repairs that made it run better. Next he presented some pictures of a bridge on 39<sup>th</sup> Ave they had been working on and showed a picture of the wing wall they would be repairing and will be accepting bids. Also he showed some pictures of a reinforced concrete structure on 21<sup>st</sup> Ave that collapsed due to some oil field trucks going down it. He has talked with our engineer and they agree to do a low water crossing. He also expressed concern on the emergency of getting this road back open and after some discussion Ron moved to waive the procurement policy and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Gunnar also has talked with the land owner Joey Moore who is on the East side and will be cleaning out the channel and removing trees. Last he showed a picture of Scott Street after a rain and informed them he was going to look at laying some millings down to help with the issues they have due to the road being half sand and asphalt. He asked if he would get approval to let some of the grader hands to work on weekends to get caught up on the grading and by consensus they agreed.

Matt Christenson came to present the annual maintenance agreement with Foley on the Generator for an extension of 3 years that include 2 services each year for \$1177 per service. John moved to approve the annual maintenance agreement and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next Matt present an electrician bid for the overhead doors at the barn and after some discussion on the budget for the fairgrounds they asked to hold off on the electrician. Matt did add they would be out in the next couple weeks to install the Over Head doors and they would just open them manually until next year pending on the budget. Matt also asked if they had a chance to look at the concession stands since the last meeting and due to them not been able to make it he asked if they could meet there at 11:10 to look at the building and decide if they wanted to take the insurance money to fix the building.

Break at 9:59 and regular session began at 10:04

Rhonda Fernandez came to present the health insurance 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly summary reports.

Mitzi Hesser came to present the contracts with USD #474 and Valley View Christian School for signatures. Also she informed them she would be looking at a new van for the Health department as she had requested at the beginning of the year and that she would be working with Kendal regarding her old one.

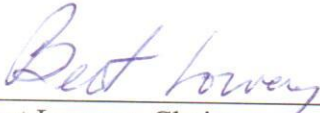
During Commissioner Discussion the only item discussed was the Sheriff Office Humvees and placement.

Bert adjourned the meeting at 10:56 and will commence at the fairgrounds at 11:10.

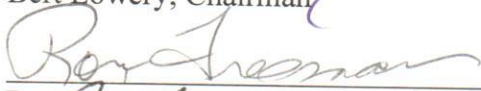
Ron called the meeting to order at 11:10. After looking at the building the Commissioner decided not to fix the buildings siding due to the hail dents were minimal.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45

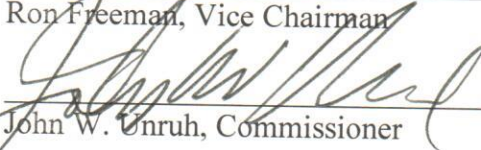
Kiowa County Commission:



Bert Lowery, Chairman



Ron Freeman, Vice Chairman



John W. Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristie Odle, County Clerk