Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting December 30, 2015

Ron Freeman, Bert Lowery, John Unruh, Kristi Cooper, Chris Tedder, Matt Christenson, Jay Schmidt, Cody Sherer, Rosa Spainhour, Kaylan Jones, Bruce Foster and Jay Koehn.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll reports, Accounts Payable reports, and 12-21 minutes.

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

Kristi Cooper presented her Election encumbrance letter for 2015. She has requested to re-encumber \$20,000 from her 2014 budget and encumber \$20,000 from her 2015 Election budget to go towards an election trailer and election equipment to be put in the Special Equipment Fund. Bert moved to approve the encumbrance and re-encumbrance of \$40,000 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Jay Schmidt came forward with a payroll change for D Liggett to move from Noxious Weed department to R&B department for the season. John moved to approve the payroll change and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. He touched on update from the Public Surplus website to sell equipment on and he will look at purple wave and report back on the different charges and interests. Also informed the Commissioners the he had a request from Morton Buildings on closing N road while they build a shed for the Mankes in the and by consensus they did not approve to close the road due to liability.

Jay Koehn came up with Jay Schmidt to discuss the Belvidere fire shed that they share with R&B. Jay Koehn informed them he went to go look at the building and was informed the sprayed insulation was falling down and Jay Schmidt reported it was the same on the R&B side of the shop. After some discussion they asked them to get bids on removal of the old insulation and new insulation application and insulated doors for both and report back.

Break was called at 9:40 and regular session began at 9:45.

The clerk presented an encumbrance letter from the Appraiser office for \$10,000 to be used for Arial photographing in the future to be put in the Special Equipment Fund. Bert moved to approve the encumbrance and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Jay Koehn, Matt Christenson and Cody Sherer came forward to discuss fund options for the Fire department. Jay informed them they would like to look at a new F550 truck for the department and possibly upgrade on other equipment and bunker gear. By consensus they asked them to get bids on a new Ford truck to be paid out of 2016 carryover cash funds and report back.

Matt Christenson and Chris Tedder came forward to inform them of the grand total of the new 911 system would be around \$130,000 and will come out of the 911 fund.

Rosa Spainhour and Kaylan Jones came forward and presented run reports from 2014 in comparison of 2015. They reported they are down 30 runs from last year but they have been taking out of town transfers to help with the call volume.

John left at 10:39.

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Bruce Foster came forward to request to encumber \$66,000 to go towards the purchase of a new spray rig truck into the Special Equipment Fund. He did present a quote for a truck for around \$44,000. Bert moved to approve the encumbrance and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

During Commissioner Discussion the Clerk requested to close the Courthouse tomorrow for New Year's Eve at 1pm and Bert moved to approve to close at 1pm and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:19.

Kiowa County Commission:

Ron Freeman, Chairman

Bert Lowery, Commissioner

John W Unruh, Vice - Chairman

ATTEST:

Kristi Cooper, County Clerk