Kiowa County Commissioners Special Meeting Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room July 16, 2013

Present: Ron Freeman, Bert Lowery, John Unruh, Kristie Odle, Karen Butler, Gunnar Stauth, Matt Christenson, Brenda Osborne, Mitzi Hesser, D.J McMurry, Theresa Dasenbrock and Lisa Axman.

9:15 John opened the Budget workshop.

Theresa explained the budget process and the Counties current financial situation. Theresa then presented a government survey, graphs of comparisons with surrounding counties and charts of valuation and levies from past years.

They went through every department and taxing agency requests to determine budgets for 2014. After much discussion on Road & Bridge budget request they determined to assign \$331,000 of the Lieu of tax money to go towards road repairs. John moved to revoke Resolution 2009-04 regarding Special Road & Bridge fund and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

John moved to break for lunch at 12:00 and to resume at 1:00 and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. John called meeting to order at 1:00

They continued to discuss budget requests. After Theresa and her assistant Lisa made adjustments to the budget per the Commissioners request and the proposed budget was set with the mill levy at 62.807 with an increase of 2.567 mills. Ron moved to approve Resolution 2013-9 for the property taxation policy to financing the 2014 budget for Kiowa County and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next Bert moved to approve Resolution 2013-10 for the property taxation policy to financing the 2014 budget for Rural Fire District and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Theresa then presented a 5 year renewal agreement for Lewis, Hooper and Dick services. John moved to approve the service agreement with Lewis, Hooper and Dick for 5 years and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:54.

John W Unruh, Chairman

Bert Lowery, Commissioner

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Ronald Freeman, Commissioner

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