Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room July 6, 2011 Special Meeting - 2012 Budget Workshop

Present: Ron Freeman, Don Richards, John Unruh, Carmen Renfrow, Jerry Keene of the Kiowa County Signal (9:40am), Theresa Dasenbrock, CPA, and her assistant Lisa.

8:00: Chairman Ron Freeman opened the meeting.

Theresa presented a change order of \$10,000 for work done on a single audit for the Health Dept.'s grant funds. Don moved and John seconded to approve the change order, motion carried.

Theresa then presented a government survey, grafts of comparisons with surrounding counties. She also showed charts of valuation and levies from past years.

Next, the Commissioners and Theresa started the budget decision process.

Some suggestions during this process are Department Heads be asked to keep their budgets conservative and not to go on a "spending spree" at the end of the year. More revenue left for the general budget at the end of the year helps the next year's budget.

They went through each department and taxing agency to determine what dollar amounts to assign.

At the end of the meeting at 6:00 pm, the mil levy was up 11.521 putting it at 62.610. The County valuation is up \$1,102,000 from last year.

The Commissioners decided to have another budget workshop on July 20th; Theresa and Lisa will come back to facilitate the meeting. The Department Heads will all be invited to attend so they can be informed of the issues with the budget for 2012 and to suggest solutions.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Kiowa County Commission:
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John Unruh, Commissioner
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Carmen Renfrow, County Clerk