

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
June 18, 2012

Present: Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Carmen Renfrow, Dawn Hayes, Ray Stegman, Gene West.

9:00: After a prayer by John, he called the meeting to order

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

Ron moved and John seconded to approve the payroll change for the Sheriff's new employee, motion carried.

Gunnar Stauth, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came with the following:

He brought John Adolf, a newly hired employee, to the meeting to introduce him to the Commission. He presented the payroll change for him as well. John moved and Ron seconded to approve the payroll change, motion carried.

They discussed purchasing road material from the wind farm when they have completed the project.

The County Clerk received a petition to open a new road; the Commission discussed this with the County Counsel, Dawn Hayes. She has already prepared notes for the Commission from her research so far and has more to do. She will keep them informed as to what needs to be done.

Mitzi Hesser, Health Dept. Director, brought Kyle Clark from Environmental Services to discuss the decisions that need to be made due to State funding being cut completely for this service. The options are for each county in the district to pay more money to keep it going or to dissolve it completely. Kyle informed them of a meeting of the Commissioners of the district counties in Kingman on June 25th. Ron and John agreed to attend if possible. The money for this service comes from the Health Dept. Budget. Kyle indicated if they continue with the service, Kiowa's amount would go from \$3,000 yearly to \$5,000.

After a break, Kendal Lothman, Sheriff, came to present reasons for his budget requests for the Jail and the Law Enforcement dept. He also shared that a vehicle sold on Purple Wave sold for much more than expected, so less money was used from his budget to purchase a new vehicle.

Cody Sherer, Mullinville Fire Dept., came to get approval to spend \$4,400 from their budget on two Air Packs. The standards require that they have four; they plan to purchase two now and two later. Most of the funds for these were provided by grant money, the budget funds would make up the difference. John moved, and Ron seconded to approve the purchase, motion carried.

During Open Forum John opened the topic of the Weed Dept. accidentally killing grass in his father's yard. He asked Dawn Hayes what would be the best way to handle getting it replaced. Bruce offered to fix it himself, but John would rather have a landscaper do the repairs. Dawn advised him to put in a request to the Clerk for recovery. This could possibly be an insurance claim.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.

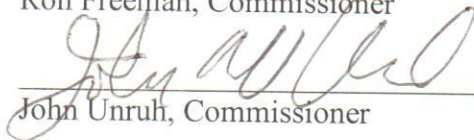
Kiowa County Commission:



Don Richards, Chairman



Ron Freeman, Commissioner



John Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:



Carmen Renfrow, County Clerk

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