## Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room

June 30, 2010

Present: Don Richards, Ron Freeman, Gene West, Carmen Renfrow, Ray Stegman, Jan West with the Kiowa County Signal.

Ron opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Kendal Lothman, Sheriff, will not be in today at his appointed time. Don moved to approve the agenda as changed, Gene seconded, motion carried.

Gene moved to approve the minutes of 6/21/10 as corrected. On page two, clarification regarding the concession stand being delivered needs to read, "Materials for the concession stand were delivered". Don seconded the motion, motion carried.

Don moved to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll, pending approval of the County Council, Gene seconded, motion carried.

After legal publication in the County's official paper and notification made to the surrounding land owners, there were no protests to vacate Road X beginning at the intersection of Avenue 25 east to 183 Highway. Gene moved to approve vacating the road, Ron seconded, motion carried.

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

He received a letter from Wildlife & Parks asking if we accepted deer and elk carcasses at our landfill and if so, could they advertise that to hunters. Gunnar is in favor of accepting the carcasses at no charge, but not advertising to hunters.

Gunnar presented a payroll change for Dave Perrow, equipment operator. He resigned his position due to low wages and high cost of living in Greensburg. Ron moved to approve the payroll change, Gene seconded, motion carried.

He discussed conferring with McGowan, the contractor for the school, about the pot holes on Olive Street. Now that they are finished with the school, they will repair any damage done by their trucks.

Gunnar received an estimate of \$37,000 for a tractor to pull the mowers from John Deere. No other company would submit any estimates. Gene moved to purchase the John Deere 6410 tractor, Don seconded, motion carried. Funds will come from Road & Bridge and Special Equipment.

Gunnar asked for an executive session for contract negotiations for ten minutes. Gene so moved, Don seconded, motion carried. Dawn Hayes was asked to stay for the session.

After ten minutes, the regular meeting resumed with no action being taken.

Gene moved and Ron seconded for another executive session for attorney-client privilege for ten minutes, motion carried. After ten minutes the regular meeting resumed with no action taken.

Ray Stegman, Long Term Recovery Director, came with the following:

July 16<sup>th</sup> will be a County and Vendor only opening celebration of the Community Building. Starting at 11:00 am there will be a BBQ lunch and various speakers. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held during the County Fair later the same month.

The previous proposal for a grading package for the fairgrounds is on hold. The County Road Dept. possibly can do most of the work themselves.

Concrete is being poured on the south and east side of the Fire Dept.

Matt Christenson, a member of the City Council, as well as a County employee, came to the meeting at Don Richards request to discuss the future of the airport. Matt explained the process of starting a new airport. Much costly work with the FAA is required. At this point, the County is waiting for the City to open up discussion on which way to go after more information is gathered.

At 11:05 am Gene moved to adjourn the meeting, Don seconded, motion carried.

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