## Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room March 31, 2016

John Unruh, Bert Lowery, Ron Freeman, Kristi Cooper, Scott James, Jay Schmidt and Terry Mayhew attended the meeting.

**Consent agenda included:** Agenda AP reports, PR reports and 3/21/16 and 3/23/16 minutes After the Prayer was given, John opened the meeting. Bert moved to approve the consent agenda and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Jay Schmidt came forward for the discussion on the correct roads in the last meeting of O St. to P St. and clarified those where the correct roads that were requested to be closed. Scott intervened that he had done research and informed the Commissioners they could require a petition or not and allow public comment at that time before the closing and a notice in the paper that would be sufficient. Ron added he would talk with the other party and report back Monday. Next Bert added he was approached to close ½ ways between G St. and H St. to I St. on 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. Jay explained the road is minimum maintenance and that it has not been touched for several years and that if they choose to keep it open then they would need to do a lot of work on that road to get it up to where it needs to be. After some more discussion Bert moved to close the mentioned streets and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next John added he was approached as well regarding 47<sup>th</sup> St for D St. going south around Haviland area about opening the closed road back up. And Jay mentioned he would need to make sure that road was officially closed and report back on Monday.

After the discussions regarding road closings and opening Jay presented the final contractor contract with Kirkham and Michael for the 51<sup>st</sup> Ave low water crossing project for signatures and he asked Scott to review them before they signed. While Scott reviewed the contract Jay informed the Commissioners that GSI will be changing the sampling system they have at the landfill to save time and money for us. He also added that Sagebrush is working on hooking up the generator at the R&B department, waiting on bids for Belvidere shop, Heft will hold the driver safety class on April 19<sup>th</sup>, purple wave representative will be out the end of April to take pictures of the items to be listed and that Ron Taylor gave the County the dirt from the two (2) water pits he dug.

After Scott reviewed the contracts from Kirkham and Michael for contractors Bert moved to approve them and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Next they talked about getting bids for the Haviland Blacktop overlay and instructed Jay to start the process and they would like to get it done before they start harvest in the County but not sure if that is possible.

John called for a break at 9:45 and regular session began at 9:55.

Kristi presented two (2) tax corrections for approval. Ron moved to approve the corrections and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

During Commissioner Discussion they talked about the live auction for the next meeting and how they were going to hold it. And after some discussion they agreed they would start at 10:30 and keep it

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open as long as there are active bids and not for a specific time. Next they talked about hospital board member appointments.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30

Kiowa County Commission:

John W. Unruh, Chairman

Bert Lowery, Vice Chairman

Ron Freeman, Commissioner

Attest:

Kristi Cooper, County Clerk