

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting  
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room  
November 5, 2012

Present: Ron Freeman, Don Richards, John Unruh, Carmen Renfrow, Dawn Hayes, Ray Stegman, Bert Lowry, Bonnie Kuhn.

9:00: After a prayer, Don opened the meeting.

Ron moved and John seconded to approve the consent agenda, motion carried 3-0

The Clerk presented payroll changes from the Sheriff's Dept. Ron moved and John seconded to approve the changes, motion carried 3-0.

The Clerk presented the Area I Workforce document that simply re-affirmed our participation and was presented at the last meeting and tabled. John moved and Ron seconded to sign the document, motion carried 3-0.

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

While the crew was working on a road south of Haviland, a fiber optic line was cut. They are doing what I necessary to correct it.

He showed pictures of work being done on the black top north of Haviland.

Kim Goodnight, ITC, will come to a Commissioner's meeting in the near future to discuss a road agreement when the route is known.

They discussed options on coming to an agreement with Exelon for road repairs. They may have to get more than one expert to consult on the matter.

They discussed equipment from the landfill, that may belong to Road and Bridge, which needs either to be repaired, traded or sold. The Commission will confer with Joel Schmidt, Landfill Supervisor, at a later time.

Carmen Renfrow, speaking as a Kiowa County Housing Authority Board Member, addressed the Commission about how the funds that were allotted to KCHA may be used. Originally KCHA wanted to use the funds to hire an Executive Director but that has been put on hold. Now they need to be used to pay for an audit, payroll taxes, and other miscellaneous expenses. Ron stated that the money was given to KCHA and could be spent how they saw fit. Don made a motion to approve the expenses, and John said he wanted to abstain due to not agreeing to spend tax dollars on housing. After more discussion, Ron seconded the motion. Don called for a vote, Don and Ron voted yes, John voted no, motion carried 2-1.

The Clerk presented the Commission Resolution 2012-14 creating a new Neighborhood Revitalization Program for 2013 to 2015 along with the program agreement from the County. John moved to approve both the resolution and the agreement, Ron seconded; motion carried 3-0.

10:00 BREAK

Ray Stegman, LTR, EM, Courthouse Maintenance – Asked to attend a class on Emergency management training on Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. These are required by the State. The Commission agreed by consensus.

He then explained that the storage pods at Road & Bridge need shelving as the boxes fall and empty the contents when moved. He is asking to have the shelves built. After a discussion on record retention and how documents should be stored, they gave consent to have shelves built.

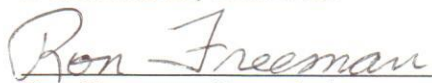
Grant Neuhold, Kiowa County Media Center Director, came with updates.

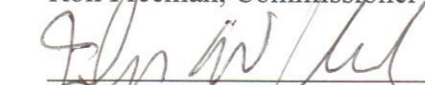
The TV and Radio studios are completed so they are ready to start programming. He will work with the school's video club to get that started. They are getting ready to video the basketball games at the school. He presented the Commission with a list of all the services the Media Center provides to the public. They have a new marketing person to help get the word out about their services.

Don adjourned the meeting at 11:20 am.

Kiowa County Commission:

  
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Don Richards, Chairman

  
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Ron Freeman, Commissioner

  
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John Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:

  
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Carmen Renfrow, County Clerk