

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
November 7, 2011

Present: Ron Freeman, Don Richards, Carmen Renfrow, Dawn Hayes, Ray Stegman, Pastor Scott Rose, Patrick Clement of the Kiowa County Signal

9:00: After a prayer from Pastor Rose, Ron opened the meeting.
Ron adds an executive session for attorney/client privilege to the agenda.
Don moved to approve the consent agenda, Ron seconds, motion carried.

Gunnar Stauth, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came with the following:
He received bids for the cement work on culvert repair ½ mile west of V St. and 12th Ave.
Pueblo Concrete bid \$11,625, Smiley Concrete bid \$14,380.
Don moved to accept the bid from Pueblo Concrete, Ron seconded motion carried.
Gunnar received a call from KDOT indicating the bridge near 37th and I St. qualifies for their off system bridge program. KDOT will replace the bridge in 2013.
They discussed the wind farm crew and when they'll arrive to occupy the RV Park on Grove St. Gunnar spoke with their representative and they still aren't sure when they will be here; they're hoping for Nov. 15th.

Eric Peters, Landfill Supervisor, came with the following:
He will be attending classes on Wednesday and Thursday next week.
Eric said that John Unruh had called him and asked about opening the recycling center every Saturday. Eric will return to the pre-tornado schedule where the recycling center was open every Saturday morning from 8:00 to 12:00.

9:50 Break

10:10: Carmen Renfrow, as a Kiowa County Housing Authority Board member, asked the Commission to approve Pam Reves as a new Board member. Ron moved and Don seconded to appoint Pam, motion carried.

D.J. McMurry joined the meeting.

Marilyn Brown came to inform the Commission that on Nov. 11, Veterans Day when the courthouse will be closed, Marilyn and CIC will be working in the Register of Deeds office.

10:30 Ron moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney/client privilege for sale of county property, Don seconded, motion carried.
At 10:40 the regular meet resumed with no action taken.

Jan West came to update the Commission on the activities of the Media Center. She brought Jim Crawley, Executive Director of the County Historical Museum, to introduce him to the Commission.
Jan reported the success of the Grand Opening for the Kiowa County Commons.
Soon after, they had a strategic planning meeting.
Projects: Finishing the Inge Project, (Greensburg 5th Anniversary Project), Barclay College Pageant, live home games for basketball, and live home games for football next year.

Next, Jim Crawley spoke of the success of the new museum and soda fountain during the Grand Opening; he shared several positive comments from the participants. With the design we have currently, ours is among the best in the State.

Jim will come to the Commission meeting on a regular basis to update them on how the museum is doing.

Ray Stegman brought plans for the Commissioners desk. By consensus they finally agreed on the plan presented; Ray will proceed with the completion.


Also, the mower used at the fairgrounds need a new motor. Due to the rough terrain and debris still coming up, it has taken its toll on the motor. A new motor is \$1500. By consensus the Commission agreed to purchase a new motor instead of a whole new mower at \$5,000.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Kiowa County Commission:



Ron Freeman, Chairman




Don Richards, Commissioner

_(Absent this meeting)



John Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:



Carmen Renfrow, County Clerk