

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
October 19, 2015

Ron Freeman, Bert Lowery(ABSENT), John Unruh, Kristi Cooper, Mitzi Hesser, Matt Christenson, Jay Schmidt, Franklin Ruff and Jeff Guy.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, PR reports, AP reports and 10-5 minutes.

After prayers Ron called the meeting to order.

John moved to approve the consent agenda with the corrections to the minutes and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Mitzi came forward and Ron adjourned the Commissioner meeting and called the B.O.H meeting to order (Board of Health). Mitzi gave updates which included; flu clinics at the local schools, rechecks for school nursing and nurse from Pratt filled in on Monday for appointments due to Mitzi absence.

Jay Schmidt arrived at 9:15

Ron adjourned the B.O.H and called the regular Commissioner session back to order. Mitzi presented a payroll change for Kerri Ulrich for her yearly merit increase for 2%. Ron moved to approve the payroll change and John seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Jay came forward to give updates which included; Sterling trucks, 21st Ave low water crossing, patching on Fellsburg and grading. John did suggest Jay to get with Bert on what to do regarding engine work or replacement on the Sterling. Also they talked about making Fellsburg road all gravel and to get with Scott on what legal issues or notices on changes to a road and selling county property on E St. and 25th Ave approximate 4 acres that Jay is interested into purchasing from the county.

Break at 9:45 and regular session began at 9:50

Matt came to report the reply he had received from Cameron on the lawn project regarding compacted ground, construction debris and mounds around trees. He explained they could till the lawn due to all the sprinkler pipes and heads and that would double the cost to remove those and replace them. Also they would use a dirt shifter to remove the debris surfacing. Last Matt spoke with Barrett Smith regarding the tree mounds and Barrett suggested to replace with new mulch due to the roots growing up or removed the mulch and put grass seed down. Next they talked about the valve box being covered with cement and after some discussion by consensus they agreed to move along as planned and get the lawn seeded.

Kristi Cooper came to present some payroll changes as follows; new hire M Tedder, resignation M Ford, L Morehead, R Grasz and 1.5% merit increase for S Freeman. John moved to approve the payroll changes and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next the clerk presented the approved 2016 holidays from District Court and asked the Commissioners to look over our holidays that were approved last year for 2015 and compare to the list she provided from district court and would ask them to make a decision at the next meeting so her staff can prepare for 2016 pay schedules for the bank.

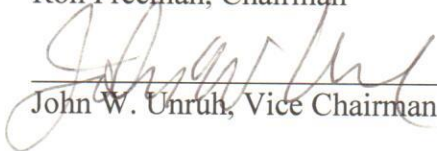
Jay returned with a payroll change for W Williams for a 1.5% merit increase. John moved to approve the payroll change and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58.

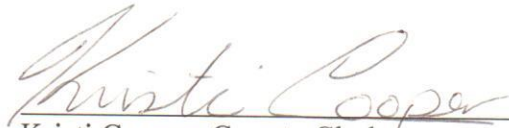
Kiowa County Commission:



Ron Freeman, Chairman



John W. Unruh, Vice Chairman



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk