

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
October 20, 2014

Bert Lowery, John Unruh, Ron Freeman, Kristi Cooper, Scott James, Gunnar Stauth, Mitzi Hesser, Cody Sherer, Matt Christenson, Kendal Lothman, Clay Parkin, Rosia Spainhour, Mary Sweet, DJ McMurry, Gina Friesen, Jeff Blackburn, Franklin Tuff, Gloria Tucker & Jerry Keene.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, AP reports, PR reports and 10-6-14 minutes.

After the prayer was given by Jeff Blackburn, Bert called the meeting to order.

Ron moved to approve the consent agenda and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Payroll changes were presented by County Clerk for Rodney Sangster and Forest White. John moved to approve the payroll changes and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Gunnar Stauth asked for a 5- minute executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss two employee yearly evaluations. Ron moved for the executive session at 9:02 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 9:07 with no action taken. Gunnar presented a payroll change for Mike Harrell, Ricky Hohl and William Williams. Next he presented quotes for a high flow Brush Cat from Foley \$7600 and Bobcat \$4982. Ron moved to accept the Bobcat quote and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next, he asked for a 5- minute executive session to discuss contract negotiations. Bert moved for an executive session for nonelected personnel at 9:33 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 9:38 with no action taken.

Bert adjourned the regular meeting and called the Board of Health (BOH) meeting to order. Mitzi Hesser gave updates from the last meeting that included 100 immunizations, 20 school screenings, 75 adult services, 7 family planning and 300 flu shots given. Bert adjourned the BOH meeting and called the Commissioners meeting to order. Mitzi presented a quote from Dwayne Shank Motors for a 20x21x7 carport for \$1325. Bert moved to approve the quote from Shank Motors and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Mitzi stated the Appraiser and Health departments will split the cost. Next she asked for a 5- minute executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss an employee evaluation. Bert moved for the executive session at 10:09 and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 10:14 with no action taken. Mitzi presented a Payroll change for Kerri Ulrich. Ron moved to approve the payroll change and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Cody Sherer came to request approval to purchase another 6 bi truck from the Kansas Surplus for \$5000. After some discussion, they asked him to talk with Jay Koehn about purchasing two of them and by consensus, they agreed to allow the purchases.

Matt Christenson came to talk about the renewal contract with AT&T for \$615 a month for 3 years and John moved to approve the renewal and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Clay Parkin came to request a 5- minute executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss an employee evaluation. John moved for the executive session at 10:38 and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 10:42 with no action taken. Clay presented three payroll

changes for David Miller, Vincent Gwin and Eric Witzleb. Ron moved to approve the payroll changes and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Break at 10:51 and regular session began at 11:00

Scott James asked to talk about the Open Records request for the hospital. He received a letter from Nathan Leadstrom with Law Offices of Goodell-Stratton-Edmonds & Palmer declining the open records request. Mary Sweet and Gina Friesen came in at 11:02. Scott added he would be filing charges for the KORA (Kansas Open Records Act) this afternoon.


Break at 11:14 and regular session began at 11:25

Rosia Spainhour came to request to purchase a 2007 Chevy Tahoe from the Kansas Surplus for \$20,000 and provided pictures. She informed them she would be selling the 2008 Chevy pickup on Purple Wave they have now due to high mileage. By consensus, they approved.

During Commissioner Discussion, John wanted to express his responsibility for requesting the information from the hospital as a Commissioner and that it is their responsibility as a public official to look out for the best interest of the taxpayers.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47

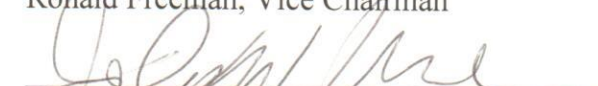
Kiowa County Commission:



Bert Lowery, Chairman



Ronald Freeman, Vice Chairman



John W. Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk