Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room October 31, 2013

Present: John Unruh, Ron Freeman, Bert Lowery, Kristie Odle, Scott James, Jeff Blackburn, Franklin Tuff, Gunnar Stauth, Mitzi Hesser, Kendal Lothman, Ray Stegman and J.W Keene.

After the prayer given by Jeff Blackburn, John opened the meeting. Ron moved to approve the consent agenda and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Clerk presented a Payroll Change sheet for Suzanne Titus and Michelle Fisher. Bert moved to approve the Payroll Change and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Gunnar came to give updates on the High Risk Rural Road application and John moved to approve the agreement and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Also he updated that 10th Ave overlay and shoulder rock is complete. He also reported that one of ITC trucks laid over on its side and caused damages on 10th Ave but ITC will pay for all damages.

Break at 9:30 and regular session began at 9:45

Ray Stegman came to present Resolution 2013-21 to allow consumption of liquor at the Fair Grounds on November 9th, Ron moved to adopt Resolution 2013-21 and Bert seconded, motion carried 2-1 with John not in favor. Next Ray presented an estimate of \$570 for the Courthouse main floor to be waxed. After discussion, Ron moved to approve Pats Floor Care and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Ray then presented an estimate on cattle panels of \$4722, to go around the guide supports at the tower and for well casing fence of \$5016.08. After some discussion, John moved to have Mark Trummel build well casing fencing and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Bert moved to amend the agenda with moving Commissioner Discussion to 11:00 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Matt Christenson came to give updates on the phone system and reported that the wiring ends need to be switched and he presented a bill from Wind Stream for \$7157.52. After much discussion, Bert moved to approve the bill from Wind Stream and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next he reported the Courthouse firewall had issues last week and he will need to look into a new one. He presented some figures from Network Management Group on three plans. After much discussion on the comparisons of the plans, Bert moved to approve a 3- year plan for \$2275 and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Suzanne came to discuss the process of moving from semi-monthly to bi-weekly and presented the pay schedule for 2014. Discussion was tabled until next meeting.

John opened Commissioners discussion. First item discussed was the Voluntary Insurance. Ray Stegman, Kendal Lothman, Mitzi Hesser, Gunnar Stauth and Matt Christenson were present for the discussion. Kristie came to report after speaking with Rhonda that she suggests they dispose of all Voluntary insurances or put a policy in place to keep what we have but prevent any new enrollments. John moved to remove all Voluntary Insurances from being withheld from employee checks and Ron asked to hold off from making the decision and John withheld his motion. After hearing from the department heads, the Commissioner s by consensus agreed to keep the Voluntary Insurance with no new policy on Voluntary Insurance. Next Scott presented Resolution 2013-22 to clarify the calculation

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on mileage from Policy 506 and John moved to adopt Resolution 2013-22 and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:51

Kiowa County Commission:

John W Unruh, Chairman

Bert Lowery, Commissioner

Ron Freeman, Commissioner

Attest:

Kristie Odle, County Clerk