

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
October 5, 2015

Ron Freeman, Bert Lowery, John Unruh, Kristi Cooper, Scott James, Mitzi Hesser, Matt Christenson, Mary Sweet, Rosa Spainhour, Jay Schmidt, Bruce Foster, Curt Coleson and Jeff Guy.

Consent agenda included: Agenda and 9-30 minutes.

Ron opened the meeting following the pledge of Allegiance.

Bert moved to approve the consent agenda with the additions to the agenda and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Clerk presented Resolution 2015-19 for consumption of cereal malt beverage or liquor at fairgrounds on December 5, 2015 for the Haviland Farmers Coop for their annual Christmas party and Bert moved to approve the resolution and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-1(John opposed).

Jay came forward to give updates which included; chip seal on roads, zipper purchase, 229 Sterling truck and new High Risk Rural Roads signage agreement with the State of Kansas.

Jeff Guy arrived at 9:26

Continued updates which included; purchase of 2 state trucks for \$43,000, selling old trucks not used and mowing ditches.

Ron called for a break at 9:30 and regular session began at 9:35.

Bruce and Jay came to talk about ditch spraying and Bruce informed he has sprayed twice this year but is struggling with the weeds not dying but he is watching it and he also reported there is musk thistle growing more and more due to surrounding counties not disposing of them properly.

Mary Sweet and Curt Coleson arrived at 9:42.

More discussion continued regarding spraying ditches. And they asked Jay to contact the farmers who are spraying the ditches which in return is causing erosion to the roads.

Break called at 9:53 and regular session began at 9:59

Rosa Spainhour arrived at 9:54

Mary, Curt and Rosa came forward to discuss the ambulance monthly invoice. Mary provided the information they had requested and explained how the bill is summed up. After some questions Ron asked Rosa about the EMS Expo conference in Las Vegas regarding the approval from the Commissioners for one to go and Rosa explained that the other employee paid for her flight and conference fees and she presented a copy of the check. Next Bert asked to see proof of the deposit and Mary informed she would get that information and return.

Matt Christenson arrived at 10:26

Matt came to inform the Commissioners that the ongoing issue with weeds on the court lawn and informed them that Cameron will be here today to spray once more and that dirt should be delivered today also and they hope to start leveling the yard next week. Next they had concerns with it getting to late to plant the grass and Matt will get with Cameron on the planting window for this year. Next Matt wanted to inform them that they will be moving all the items from the pods to the community building next week so they can start the process of going through what is stored at the pods and Mitzi mentioned she has no concerns with the items their as long as the air unit is off and that they properly clean up after they are done.

Next Mitzi came forward and Ron adjourned the commissioner meeting and called the B.O.H (Board of Health) to order. She came to inform them that due to some illness in the office she will be having a RN from Pratt to come over and cover as needed. Ron adjourned the B.O.H meeting and called the commissioner meeting back to order. No action taken.

Break at 10:44 and regular session began at 10:55

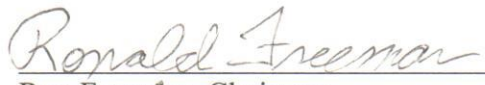
Matt returned for the opening of the bids on the concrete and rock for the court lawn. Bert excused himself from the discussion. Clerk presented two bids from Pueblo Concrete and Dave Moyer. Ron read the bids pertaining to the concrete aloud with Pueblo Concrete \$16,880 and Dave Moyer \$9,120. John expressed he was not in favor of replacing the sidewalk in front of the Courthouse and would like to see them grounded down the and by consensus Ron agreed. Bert commented with he would not be interested in bidding the project and so Matt will get with Dave with the new specs of the bids and request a new quote. Ron next read the bid for rock from Dave Moyer in the amount of \$1300. John moved to approve the rock bid to Dave Moyer and Ron seconded, motion carried 2-0.

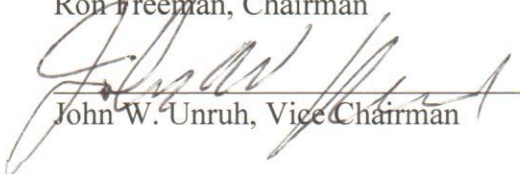
Mary returned at 11:09 and presented a copy of the deposit slip per Bert's request.

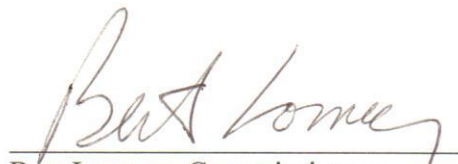
During Commissioner Discussion Scott updated them on the issues on the juvenile supervision program on consolidating with other counties and he will report back once the board decides what to do. Next the Clerk asked if they would be interested in sponsoring the Kiowa County After Prom Committee as last year and Ron moved to approve \$100 sponsorship and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42.

Kiowa County Commission:


Ron Freeman, Chairman


John W. Unruh, Vice Chairman


Bert Lowery, Commissioner


Kristi Cooper, County Clerk