

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Lower Level Conference Room
September 15, 2014

Bert Lowery, Ron Freeman, John Unruh, Kristie Odle, Gunnar Stauth, Terry Mayhew, Mitzi Hesser, Matt Christenson, Grant Neuhold, Kendal Lothman & Katie Ritter.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, AP reports, PR reports & 9-2 minutes.

After the prayer was given by Terry Mayhew, Bert called the meeting to order.

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

Clerk presented Resolution 2014-19. Ron expressed concern on how the Resolution reads and after some discussion Ron moved to approve Resolution 2014-19 with the change of liquor to cereal malt beverage and Bert seconded, motion carried 2-1(John voted no). Payroll change was presented for Dave Bergstrom. John moved to approve the payroll change and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Gunnar Stauth came to discuss 21st Ave between U St. and V St. regarding the culvert needing to be replaced. After some discussion on putting a low water crossing instead of a culvert Gunnar informed them the project would be \$3500 for engineering fees from Kirkham & Michael once the document is drawn up. Ron moved to approve the engineering fees and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next, Gunnar discussed the local bridge improvement program regarding the projected county share cost of \$13,800 for the bridge located 3.5 miles S of Haviland. Other items discussed were cattle guards, North landfill well drilling, and a retirement plaque for Rodney Sangster that will be paid out of the Commissioners fund. Last item discussed was purchasing a pull behind dump trailer to haul metal and various other uses for the department. By consensus, they asked Gunnar to get bids for the dump trailer.

Break at 9:52 and regular session began at 9:59

Bert adjourned the regular meeting and called the Board of Health (BOH) meeting to order. Mitzi Hesser gave updates that included physicals, immunizations, school screenings, flu clinics and flu shots for employees. Bert adjourned the BOH meeting and called the Commissioners meeting to order. Mitzi presented USD #422 contract for signatures. Next, she asked for approval for the County to pay for Employees and individuals who work in County buildings for flu shots. Ron moved to approve the County to pay for the flu shots for County employees and individuals who work in County buildings and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Last, she asked for consensus on the purchase of the Chevy Traverse from Dwayne Shank Motors due to it being the lowest bid and by consensus, they approved.

Matt Christenson came with the Windstream phone system maintenance agreement and after some discussion, Matt recommends not to purchase the agreement due to the phone system only being 1 year old and he feels comfortable working on it. Also he added that he was looking into replacement of our hard drives due to the server is already 5 years old but will report back on figures.

Matt Christenson and Grant Neuhold came to ask permission to see the cubicles in at the Media Center office due to them taking up space and not being used. This would allow them to have a bigger space for teaching students. Bert moved to sell the cubicles and Ron seconded, motion carried 3-0. Grant

class for \$3690 and Sagebrush Electric would have to put in more outlets with an estimated cost of \$843.

Break at 10:24 and regular session began at 10:33.

Kendal Lothman came to request a 5- minute executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss an employee evaluation. Ron moved for the session at 10:33 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Regular session began at 10:36 with no action taken. Kendal presented a payroll change for Susan Freeman. Ron moved to approve the payroll change and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next Kendal asked for permission to allow Susan to carry over 2.68 days of vacation days and by consensus they agreed. Next, Kendal informed them that Mitzi was donating the old Health department van to the Sheriff Office for the new transport vehicle.

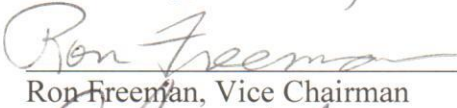
During Commissioner Discussion, the clerk presented a dividend check from Banco for \$59,000. She requested to earmark it for the lawn for next year. She presented the figures Matt had given before. After much discussion on the lawn, Ron moved to earmark \$25,000 for fescue. Motion died to no second. John moved to have buffalo grass seed purchased. John withdrew his motion. After more discussion, an agreement could not be reached regarding the lawn so for now the money will be put into Courthouse general and will look into this next year.

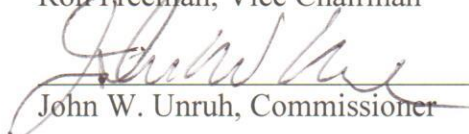
Katie Ritter came to inform them she was buying a chest freezer for the soda fountain but lacked space in her area. By consensus, they asked her to talk with the other occupants to see what would work.

Meeting adjourned at 11:19

Kiowa County Commission:


Bert Lowery, Chairman


Ron Freeman, Vice Chairman


John W. Unruh, Commissioner

Attest:


Kristie Odle, County Clerk