Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

August 15, 2022

David White, Bert Lowery, John Bertram, Kristi Cooper, Chay Howard, Jay Schmidt, Morgan Allison, DJ McMurry, Theron McKinney, Kendal Lothman, Mark Miller and Stacey Weaver attended the meeting.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll report, Accounts Payable reports, and Commissioner minutes of 8/8/2022 & 7/29/22.

Prior to the meeting, the pledge of allegiance was recited, and prayer given by Stacey Weaver. David White next opened the meeting at 9:00. Bert moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and John seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Kristi Cooper presented a separation payroll change J Steyn in Kerri Ulrich's absence for approval. After review John moved to approve the payroll change presented and Bert seconded, motion passed unanimously. Next, she informed they need to appoint 2 members to the Southwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging (SWKAAA) board due to expired terms for Mitzi Hesser and Mary Racette. She informed them that Mitzi has agreed on the reappointment but that they would need to appoint an additional member due to Mary declining the appointment. She mentioned that Stephen Kirk, Carolyn Irvin and Ellen Peters called and that they were interested in serving. After some discussion Bert moved to reappoint Mitzi Hesser and appoint Ellen Peter as the second member and for Stephen Kirk to be an alternative if Ellen declines and John seconded, motion unanimously. She presented tax corrections for approval. After review of the tax corrections Bert moved to approve them as presented and John seconded, motion passed unanimously. Last she reported that she had received letters from KCAMP and KWORCC that they are holding their annal meeting on October 17th in Kansas City, KS and needed for them to select who would be the voting delegate for Kiowa County at the meeting. She did add that they could attend the conference in person or via zoom. After some discussion Bert moved to appoint John as the voting delegate for KCAMP and KWORCC and the alternate voting delegate would be Bert Lowery and David seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Jay Schmidt presented merit payroll changes for C Tuttle, L Thronesbery and C Cagle for approval. Bert moved to approve the payroll change as presented and John seconded, motion passed unanimously. Other updates included skid steer quotes still receiving and patching blacktops.

Break called till 9:42

DJ McMurry presented merit payroll changes for K Zenger and M Moore for approval. Bert moved to approve the payroll changes as presented and John seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Theron McKinney came to give fire department updates which included vehicle maintenance, tanker purchase still on back ordered, burn bans when needed and working with KS Fish and Game Services and local emergency services on burning guidelines at the lake.

Kristi Cooper presented a payroll change to move V Gwin from full time to part time in Kendal's absence. Bert moved to approve the payroll change and John seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08.

Kiowa County Commission:

David White, Chairman

Bert Lowery, Vice-Chairman

Mn Bertram, Commissioner

Attest:

Kristi Cooper, County Clerk