

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting Minutes

November 30, 2022

David White, Bert Lowery, John Bertram, Kristi Cooper, Chay Howard, Jay Schmidt, Darren Booth, Rhonda Fernandez, Theresa Dasenbrach and Jeff Blackburn attended the meeting.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll report, Accounts Payable reports, and Commissioner minutes of 11/17/22.

Prior to the meeting, the pledge of allegiance was recited, and prayer given by Jeff Blackburn. David White next opened the meeting at 9:00. David wanted to discuss a voucher prior to approval of AP. After some discussion Bert moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and John seconded, motion passed unanimously.

A member of the audience came to talk with the Commissioners' regarding the maintenance on her dirt road and explained she has spoken with Jay and that he came out and fixed the concern. But the last time they were out grading the same she is experiencing the same issues and wanted them to be aware. Jay was present during the discussion and informed them that he would work with the operator and get this corrected with some extra training on the grader.

Darren Booth with Theel Insurance consulting firm wanted to come present information on what they offer as consultants through Freedom Claims Management and handed out information for reference.

Rhonda Fernandez came to give year end claims reports and give a brief explanation of benefits that came about from the prior discussion during Mr. Booth's time.

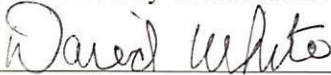
Jay Schmidt came to present the lease agreements in the amount of \$78,622.85 on the bobcat track loader with First Bank. After review of the agreements Bert moved to approve the agreements presented and John seconded, motion passed unanimously. Bert moved to adopt resolution 2022-17 and John seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Kristi presented payroll reports, accounts payable reports and minutes of November 21, 2022 for signatures. Next she asked for clarification as she is preparing the new year resolutions. Last she wanted to discuss the supervisor's annual merit raises for 2023 and COLA raises for all employees that was approved in their 2023 budgets, but wanted to know what she needed to use to start preparing the payroll changes for everyone. So, she asked them to think it over and they would continue the discussion at the next meeting.

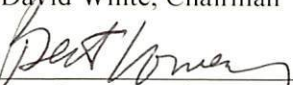
During Commissioner discussion they revisited the combining extension districts since Bert was absent when they came at the last meeting and Dave wanted to discuss getting the information on RNP out to the public more and Kristi suggested working the Appraisers office since they handle the applications and see what they do.

Meeting adjourned at 10:51

Kiowa County Commission:



David White, Chairman



Bert Lowery, Vice-Chairman



John Bertram, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk