

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

April 3, 2023

Bert Lowery, John Bertram, David White, Kristi Cooper, Chay Howard, Jay Schmidt, Jay Wade, Brad Smith, Kendal Lothman, Eric Buck and Jeff Blackburn attended the meeting.

Consent agenda included: Agenda and Commissioner minutes of 3/31/23.

After the prayer was given and the pledge of allegiance was recited, Bert Lowery opened the meeting at 9:00. John moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and Dave seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Jay Schmidt came to discuss Foley Tractor quote on a new Caterpillar grader with Jay Wade. Brad Smith with Murphy Tractor was present for the continued discussion. After some discussion they asked them both to work up some lease options and come back at the first meeting in May. Next, John asked Jay to get a TEAP study for a possible yield or stop sign on I St and 47th Ave due to hard visibility at the intersection. He will check to see if they can schedule a study.

Kendal Lothman came to present a proposal from IDEMIA to purchase a fingerprint machine in the amount of \$21,009 with an annual maintenance cost of \$2537. He requests to take the funds out of the Sheriff Office special equipment fund. After some discussion Bert moved to approve the quote and to allow the funds to come out of the special equipment fund and John seconded, motion passed unanimously. Next, he gave a few updates on the departments and employees.

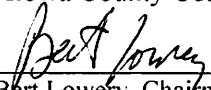
Eric Buck came to visit regarding a new purchase of an ambulance for replacing Medic 2. He reported he has around \$100,000 in his special equipment and asks if they will cover the remaining balance and see if they could do a repayment plan to pay the fund back. Chay will need to look more into this before they commit. He did inform them that purchasing is a 2 year wait. He will work on some quotes and come back.

Kristi presented minutes of March 31st for signatures and reported the Courthouse is closed on April 7th for Good Friday and the next meeting will be April 17th.

During Commissioner discussion they continued the grader purchase with no action taken.

Meeting adjourned 10:20

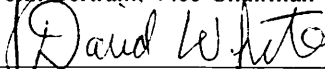
Kiowa County Commission:



Bert Lowery, Chairman



John Bertram, Vice-Chairman



David White, Commissioner

Attest:


Kristi Cooper, County Clerk