

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

July 17, 2023

Bert Lowery, John Bertram, David White, Kristi Cooper, Chay Howard, Jeff Blackburn, Kerri Ulrich, Alan Hadley, Kendal Lothman, Theresa Dasenbrach, Tiffany Rouke and Matt Christenson attended the meeting.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll report, Accounts Payable reports, and Commissioner minutes of 7/3/23.

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 David seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Kerri Ulrich requested a session for the Board of Health. Bert adjourned the Commissioner meeting at 9:00 and called the BOH meeting to order. She reported updates from June client service updates, remodeling in process, VFC site visit passed with zero findings, school supplies for Kiowa County students with community partners and using kids count funds to help with those expenses, required immunization exemption for kindergarten students and explained how they can be exempt, school nursing contract for Valley View Schools and Alyssa Brown will be attending training for medical billing and coding for their department. Bert adjourned the BOH and called the regular meeting to order at 9:12. After reviewing the nursing contract presented, Bert moved to approve and John seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Alan Hadley came to present payroll changes for C Pyatt(merit), R Young(merit), R Lothman(separation), A Hadley(job reclassification) and J Schmidt(separation). Bert moved to approve the payroll changes as presented and John seconded, the motion passed unanimously. They discussed Alan's salary, county vehicle use and phone reimbursement. After some discussion Bert moved to approve the payroll change as Public Works Supervisor, vehicle use and a monthly phone reimbursement in the amount of \$50 and John seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Next, he gave public works updates which included switching to Allied Oil for their bulk oil orders, replacement vehicle for service pickup and landfill pickup by selling the semi service truck, road maintenance, gooseneck equipment trailer discussion, researching on new cell at landfill, researching and in contact with Union Pacific on intersection at 47th St. survey marking with Westwood project completed, light equipment operator ad and looking into updating a mower or two.

Kendal Lothman came to present a payroll change for B Floro(probational period) and M Sparks(new hire) for approval. After reviewing the payroll changes presented Bert moved and David seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Next, he presented a quote on vests in the amount of \$1995.96 to be taken out of the special equipment fund. David moved to allow the purchase to be out of the special equipment fund and John seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

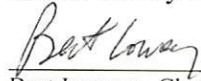
Kristi Cooper presented minutes of July 3, payroll reports and accounts payable reports for signatures.

Break called till 10:10 so the auditors can set up for the budget workshop.

Theresa Dasenbrach and Tiffany O'Rourke with Lewis, Hooper and Dick came to present the audit review and the proposed 2024 budget for the 2024 County budget workshop. After all the information was provided and discussed. John moved to publish the County budget for 2024 at 77.739 mills and publish for the County Fire Department at 2.771 mills for publication and Bert seconded, motion passed unanimously. The RNR hearing and Budget hearing will be held on August 21st at 10:00 am in the Commissioners room at the Courthouse.

Meeting adjourned at 12:27

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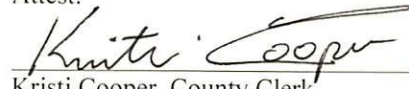
Bert Lowery, Chairman

John Bertram, Commissioner



David White, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk