

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

September 18, 2023

Bert Lowery, John Bertram, Kristi Cooper, Chay Howard, Kerri Ulrich, Alan Hadley, and Matt Christenson attended the meeting.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll report, Accounts Payable reports, and Commissioner minutes of 8/7/23.

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

Theron McKinney came to give updates on the new fire truck which has been built and should be shipping soon. Next, he informed them that he is looking at ordering 60 wildfire coats for the 3 departments for \$21,690. from Delta. After some discussion they asked him to bring in the other quote before approval.

Alan Hadley presented payroll changes for D Maas (merit), D Kaltenbach and D Schuler (new hire) for review. Kristi informed them that the beginning wage exceeded the 10% of the starting wage for the grades per the current pay plan and informed them that the supervisors are working on the pay plan and making suggested changes for them to approve once they are done. It was consensus the beginning wage was too low for that grade and so after some discussion Bert moved to approve the payroll changes as presented and David seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Next, he gave updates which included Big Iron equipment sales brought in \$42,906.16, service truck was delivered and waiting on title, road maintenance, attended the MINK conference, bulk oil with Wilmore Oil setup is complete and working on getting the new 911 signs replaced. John brought up the topic on the main street in Haviland and asked who owns or maintains it. Because he was approached by a bystander that was wanting to put an A-frame sign in the middle of an intersection downtown for businesses or public events. After some discussion they were informed that the city is responsible for the streets on what can be placed in the street but the county maintains the middle section just like the City of Mullinville's main street.

Kristi Cooper presented a tax correction for approval. After review of the correction Bert moved to approve and John seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Next, she asked if anyone would be attending the KDOT meeting on September 21st and due to scheduling, no one is able to attend. Last she presented payroll reports, accounts payable reports and minutes for September 5th for signatures.

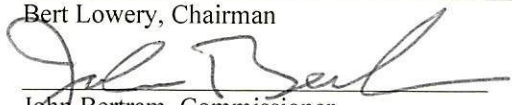
Eric Ivy came to give updates from ITC Great Plains and presented information on what they have been doing since they last visited.

Kerri Ulrich requested a session for the Board of Health. Bert adjourned the Commissioner meeting at 10:05 and called the BOH meeting to order. She reported updates on 170 client service totals and 347 procedures plus WIC appointments, updated covid booters, RSV vaccine, school hearing and vision testing, new program for hearing and vision testing for daycares, satisfaction service reviews. Bert adjourned the BOH and called the regular meeting to order at 10:21. Kerri presented 3 contracts for school hearing and vision for day care centers. Bert moved to approve the contracts presented and David seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:28

Kiowa County Commission:

Bert Lowery, Chairman

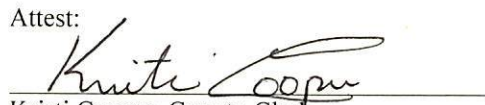


John Bertram, Commissioner



David White, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk