

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

October 16, 2023

The Kiowa County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, October 16, 2023, at 9:00 am in the Commissioners room located in the basement of the Courthouse. The following members were present: Chairman Bert Lowery, Vice Chairman John Bertram, Commissioner David White and County Clerk Kristi Cooper. Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll reports, Accounts Payable reports and Commissioner minutes of 10/2/23 & 10/6/23.

After the prayer was given and the pledge of allegiance was recited, Bert Lowery opened the meeting at 9:00 am. John moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and David seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kerri Ulrich requested a session for the Board of Health. Bert adjourned the Commissioner meeting at 9:01 and called the BOH meeting to order. She reported updates which included September client totals, wastewater survey results of SARS-cOv-2 increased since summer for Allen County, Ford County, Johnson County, Reno County and Shawnee County, flu, RSV (for adults +60) and Covid vaccines available, outreach flu clinics this week, received recognition for school supplies in the state publication for Kansas Public Health Connections, Toney attending a class for hearing testing certification and daycare contract with hospital. Bert adjourned the BOH meeting 9:08 and called the regular meeting to order. Kerri presented a contract for vision and hearing testing with the hospital daycare. Bert moved to approve the nursing contract presented and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Last she presented an annual merit payroll change for A Brown for approval. Bert moved to approve the payroll change presented and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Alan Hadley came to give public works updates which included annual merit payroll changes for B Williams, J Price and a separation payroll change for C Tuttle for approval. After reviewing the payroll changes John moved to approve and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next he discussed options on the new grader purchase, and an mini excavator purchase and gave general road maintenance updates.

Theron McKinney presented 3 bids for the new chassis for the new truck from Emergency Fire for \$74,807.58, Hughes Fabrication for \$117,000 and M&B Auto Repair for \$33,030.30. After some discussion John moved to approve the quote from Emergency Fire and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

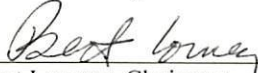
Kendal Lothman presented a new hire payroll change for S Richmond for approval. After reviewing the payroll, change presented Bert moved to approve and David seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next, he updated them that they are still looking at what radios they will purchase with the grant they have discussed.

Kristi Cooper presented an annual merit payroll change for L Gwin for approval. After review Bert moved to approve and David seconded, motion carried 3-0. . Next, she presented the minutes of October 2nd and 6th, payroll reports and accounts payable reports for signatures.

During Commissioner discussion they continued the discussion on purchasing the used mini excavator and no action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 10:37


Kiowa County Commission:


Bert Lowery, Chairman


John Bertram, Commissioner


David White, Commissioner

Attest:


Kristi Cooper, County Clerk