

# Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

February 29, 2024

The Kiowa County Commissioners met in regular session Thursday, February 29, 2024, at 9:00 am in the Commissioners room located in the basement of the Courthouse. The following members were present: Chairman John Bertram, Vice Chairman David White, Commissioner Bert Lowery and County Clerk Kristi Cooper.

The consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll report, Accounts Payable reports, and Commissioner minutes of 2/20/24.

After prayer, John Bertram opened the meeting at 9:00. Bert moved to approve the consent agenda as presented with additions to agenda and David seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Rhonda Fernandez with PIC came to present 6-month utilization reports and went over the information provided. Next, they discussed the WRAP document that Hinkle Law Firm has drawn up regarding the welfare employee benefit plan documents. They discussed how the plan works and how it protects the county. Last she asked about limiting the voluntary insurance benefits to just one for pretax benefits instead of 3. After some discussion John moved to allow Aflac to remain as the only pretax benefit for voluntary insurance benefits and that no new enrollments will be allowed except for Aflac and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Clay Parkin presented a merit payroll change for D Adams for approval. After review Bert moved to approve the payroll change as presented and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kristi Cooper presented separation payroll changes for C. Clark and C. Pyatt. John moved to approve the payroll changes as presented and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. She then presented Resolution 2024-6 correcting resolution 2021-5 appointing a county appraiser for a term of 4 years. Bert moved to adopt the resolution presented and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next, she presented the contract from Kirkham and Michael for the lower water crossing project for signatures. John moved to approve the plans, specification and contract documents for construction of the 30<sup>th</sup> Ave low water crossing project #2203825 as presented from Kirkham and Michael and David seconded, the motion carried 3-0. Last she presented payroll reports, account payable reports and minutes of February 20<sup>th</sup> for signatures.


During Commission discussion they discussed the membership dues with KNRC. After some discussion John moved to approve paying the 2024 membership dues to KNRC and David seconded, the motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14

Kiowa County Commission:



John Bertram, Chairman



David White, Commissioner



Bert Lowery, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk