

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

March 18, 2024

The Kiowa County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, March 18, 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.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll reports, Accounts Payable reports and Commissioner minutes of 01/16/24.

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

Kathy Senst with Kiowa County Extension Board came to inform the Commissioners that they have hired 2 new agents for Kiowa County Extension Office and invited them to the meet and greet on March 28th from 2 to 5 P.M at the County Extension Office at 320 S Main St, Greensburg to meet the new agents.

Kerri Ulrich requested a Board of Health meeting. John adjourned the regular meeting and called the BOH to order at 9:02. She gave updates which included preparing for the health fair, attending upcoming training, additional service for having the same labs that are provided at the health fair all year long for a low-cost and a FP grant letter. John adjourned the BOH and called the regular meeting to order at 9:09. Kerri then presented a FP grant letter for approval, Coalition Family Planning Grant for \$49,126.62 John moved to approve the grant letter presented and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Alan Hadley came to give public works department updates which included 47th and G St intersection work, fence repairs, road maintenance, mowing will begin soon.

Break called till 9:31.

Kristi Cooper presented payroll reports, account payable reports and minutes of March 4th for signatures. Next, she requested to rebid the lift station repairs at the County Fair Grounds due to lack of communication with contractor on the project. After some discussion, John moved to allow to rebid the lift station and David seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Julie Lyon and Katie Underwood with Kiowa County Economic Development came to give updates on new infrastructure projects and match grant funds that they have brought into the county for these projects. She also requested to reallocate some of the ARPA funding. After some discussion John moved to approve to reallocate \$40,000 of the \$90,000 to be used on daycare expenses instead of program and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kendal Lothman returned to continue the discussion on the Criss respite room at the Sheriff office. He presented a quote from inteGreen Services for \$27,995 and asked to be exempt from the procurement policy to move forward with the one quote due time limitations. David moved to waive the procurement policy for the Criss respite room and John seconded motion carried 3-0.

Break till 10:28

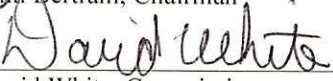
Matt Christenson came to present a revised Pay Plan for their review and approval. Matt explained the changes to the plan and asked them to look over them and they could decide at the next meeting. Bert moved to approve the changes to the amended Pay Plan as presented and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10

Kiowa County Commission:



John Bertram, Chairman



David White, Commissioner



Bert Lowery, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk