

# Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

April 15, 2024

The Kiowa County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, April 15, 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, County Counselor Chay Howard and County Clerk Kristi Cooper.

Consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll reports, Accounts Payable reports and Commissioner minutes of 04/1/24.

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.

Kerri Ulrich requested a Board of Health meeting. John adjourned the regular meeting and called the BOH to order at 9:00. She gave updates which included February and March client and service totals, health fair updates, House Bill #2754 regarding health officer completes safety school inspections, Media Center put together a promotional video of the health fair for their department, purchasing some benches and picnic tables for the fairgrounds through grant funds, WIC training in April and Immunization Conference in May, Alyssa working on tobacco cessation training and completing billing training and starting a new self-directed lab program slated to begin May 1<sup>st</sup>. John adjourned the BOH meeting at 9:13 and called the regular meeting to order. John moved allow Kerri to opt out of the safety school inspections and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Alan Hadley came to give public works department updates which included payroll changes for D Liggett(dept change), J West(merit), S Underwood(probational/re-job classification), D Kaltenbach(re-job classification) and C Erickson(promotional position) for review. Bert moved to approve the changes as presented and John seconded, motion carried 3-0 and continuing culvert clean-outs throughout the county and hired an administrative assistant and will begin on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

Sonja Channell with Santa Fe Trails community corrections came to discuss FY 2025 juvenile and adult community corrections grant budget and get approval for the judicial budgets. John moved to approve the adult comprehensive and juvenile comprehensive plan for FY 2025 and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kristi Cooper presented a merit payroll change for T Libby for approval. After review, David moved to approve the payroll change as presented and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Rhonda Fernandez came to discuss the 2024-2025 BCBS, Vision Care Direct and Delta Dental renewal premiums and gave an overall review for the premiums. After some discussion Bert moved to approve the BCBC rates for 2024-2025 and John seconded, motion carried 3-0.

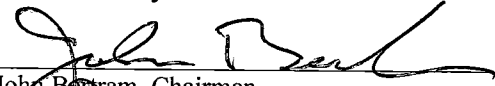
Brenda Osborne presented a new hire payroll change for M Morris for approval. Bert moved to approve the payroll change as presented and David seconded, motion carried 3-0.

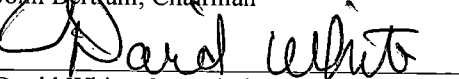
Kristi Cooper with other county supervisors came to request approval to close the courthouse at noon on June 7<sup>th</sup> for their annual employee recognition luncheon. Bert moved to approve the closure and John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next, she presented one bid for lift repairs at the fairgrounds. After reviewing and discussing the bid John moved to approve the bid from inteGreen for \$47,375 and Bert moved to approve, motion carried 3-0.

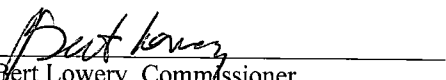
During Commissioner discussion they discussed Alan Hadley merit raise that was missed in January. Alan also informed them that he had been asked to take over the grading at the lake in Greensburg and also mentioned helping the city of Mullinville and how they would charge for the service to the entities. He will look this over and report back once he has spoken to the parties involved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:23

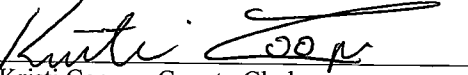
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John Bertram, Chairman

  
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David White, Commissioner

  
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Bert Lowery, Commissioner

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Kristi Cooper, County Clerk