

# Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

March 28, 2024

The Kiowa County Commissioners met in regular session Thursday, March 28, 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 March 18, 2024 and March 25, 2024.

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

Kristi Cooper presented payroll reports, accounts payable reports, minutes March 18<sup>th</sup> and March 25<sup>th</sup> for signatures.

Kari Kyle, director of the Kiowa County Senior Citizen Center came to discuss Friendship meals for the facility and explained how the program works and shared costs. She explained that they serve 65 to 70 meals for Kiowa County and prepare 38-40 meals for Commanche County and that currently the shared costs doesn't cover the current costs to operate meals for Commanche County. She just wanted to come to inform them and to get their support on her sending a letter to Commanche County Commissioners and Coldwater City Council asking for a yearly contribution of \$5000 moving forward or they have to discontinue the meals for Commanche County since their operating budget is struggling with the extra meals they are preparing for them. After some discussion the Commissioner informed her that she has their support to send a letter requesting funds for the meals for Commanche County.


Morgan Allison, Administrator for Kiowa County Memorial Hospital came to give updates on new services the hospital will be offering such as mobile Clinic, rheumatology services and endocrinology services. Last she discussed them looking into having a clinic in Bucklin but would report back once the board decides what they are going to do.

Brenda Osborne presented a job classification payroll change for M Brown making her the new Deputy Treasurer. After review John moved to approve the payroll change as presented and Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0.

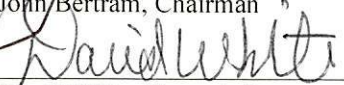
Kristi Cooper presented payroll changes for A Sutton, S McQueen, S Richmond, M Sparks and A Brown for approval. She explained with the changes made to the Pay Plan with the beginning pay rates for the grades that these employees were affected and that they just needed to be brought up to the minimum wage for their grades. After reviewing the payroll changes presented, Bert moved to approve all the payroll changes presented and David seconded, motion carried 3-0. Next, she presented mowing bids for the 2024 season from Dave Moyer Mowing and Nace Lawn Care for review and explained their bid is for each time they mow the properties. After reviewing the bids, John moved to approve the bid from David Moyer and David seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:09.

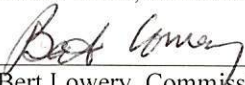
Kiowa County Commission:



John Bertram, Chairman



David White, Commissioner



Bert Lowery, Commissioner

Attest:



Kristi Cooper, County Clerk