

# Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

April 30, 2024

The Kiowa County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, April 30, 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 Deputy County Clerk Shelly Tuttle.

The consent agenda included: Agenda, Payroll report, Accounts Payable reports, and Commissioner minutes of April 15<sup>th</sup> & April 19<sup>th</sup>.

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

Alan Hadley came and presented a new hire payroll change for J. Sluss for review. John moved to approve the payroll change as presented, Bert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Alan also gave some public works updates which included some patch work and overlay projects.

Bruce Foster came in and presented the Kansas Department of Transportation Bureau of Maintenance contract for approval. Bert moved to approve the contract as presented, John seconded, motion carried 3-0. Bruce gave some chemical spraying updates.

John brought up the 6-month evaluation for Alan Hadley, after some discussion, Bert moved give Alan a \$2500 raise, David seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Alan gave an update on the gas line on Gene West's property, he did not find anything showing the County was at fault for any damage.

Chay Howard gave some updates on where we are at on the Tax foreclosure proceedings.

Shelly Tuttle presented payroll changes for M. West (pay adjustment), W. Werstler (new hire), and T. McQueen (new hire) for review. Bert moved to accept the payroll changes as presented, David seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Kristi Cooper brought up the streaming of the Commissioner meeting due to technical issues. After some discussion, Bert moved to stop recording the meetings subject to looking at different avenues, John seconded the motion, motion carried 2-1, with David opposing.

During Commissioner Discussion David brought up the discussion of Kristi Cooper's 6-month maintenance director evaluation that was not completed. Kristi informed the Commissioners that she would decline a raise if offered.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12.

Kiowa County Commission:

  
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John Bertram, Chairman

  
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David White, Commissioner

  
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Bert Lowery, Commissioner

Attest:

  
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Shelly Tuttle, Deputy County Clerk