

Kiowa County Commissioners Meeting

August 5, 2024

The Kiowa County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, August 5, 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 and Commissioner minutes of July 31, 2024.

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

Kristi Cooper presented merit payroll changes for K Zenger and M Moore for the County Appraisers office for approval. After reviewing the changes presented Bert moved to approve them as presented and David seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Kendal Lothman came to request to purchase 2 radios that needs to be replaced, the ones that was damaged by lightning strike that was claimed last year and provide a quote from Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$9,361.23. The funds they received from our insurance carrier KCAMP was deposited in the Special Equipment Fund. He requests that be taken out of the Special Equipment fund for the purchases. After some discussion John moved to approve the quote from in the amount of \$9,361.34 and Bert second, motion passed unanimously.

Alan Hadley came to give public works updates which included quotes for 2 mowing decks from Kan Equip for \$5191.25 each and John Deere for \$6150 each. After some discussion Bert moved to approve the bid from John Deere for 2 mowing decks for \$12,300 and David seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Next, they moved into the landfill discussion on opening a new cell and included Solid Waste Foreman, Jason West. Discussion tabled till Alan could get more information and they know how much it will cost and if those funds would come out of the landfill closure fund. Next, he presented Merit payroll changes for R Young(SW) and C Cagle(RB) for approval. Bert moved to approve the payroll changes presented and John seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Break till 10 am.

Lance Nelson and Roger Stotts came to discuss the Quivira National Wildlife Refuges and came to request for a \$50,000 pledge for next year to year basis to help fund the innovation on a reduction of water rights for Ag owners. Discussion tabled till the next meeting to allow time for the Commissioners to decide if they would like to contribute to the pledge.

Meeting adjourned at 11:38

Kiowa County Commission:


John Bertram, Chairman

David White, Commissioner


Bert Lowery, Commissioner

Attest:

Kristi Cooper, County Clerk