

OFFICIAL MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 27, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Scott on September 27, 2012. Scott opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Those attending were:

Richard Scott, Commissioner
William E. Koehler, Commissioner
Donald Oswald, Commissioner
Debra C. Lening, County Clerk
Peggy Dunlap, Administrator

Jeanne Sorensen entered the meeting at 9:15 a.m. as a visitor.

Minutes from the September 14, 2012 Regular Meeting was presented. Oswald made a motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve the minutes as presented. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The agenda was reviewed. Items were added to old and new business. Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to approve the agenda with the addition. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The vouchers were reviewed. Vouchers were approved and signed.

The blowing dust and dirt Statute 35-72-103(1) was discussed. A formal complaint would have to be received before action could be taken.

A letter was received from Cathy Scherler regarding delineator posts on Highway 96 and 385. The Commissioners recommend a copy of the letter be sent to CDOT. Wide loads have issues with these posts and shoulders need to be widened. Scott made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to send a copy of Cathy Scherler's letter to the State Highway Department in this region along with a letter from the Commissioners in support of Scherler's letter. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Town of Eads donated 127,000 gallons of water for the Fair.

Budget preparations will be scheduled in October. Each department will need to submit their preliminary budget by October 9th before meeting with the Commissioners.

An intergovernmental agreement for Early Childhood Education was reviewed. The Commissioners need more details from DSS before making any decisions.

A road damage policy was discussed. County Rd 20 was damaged by flood waters and Koehler feels that any road damaged needs to be fixed immediately instead of waiting. Oswald asked if the policy would allow for overtime and weekend hours. Scott stated that if there is a hazardous situation, it needs to be attended to as quickly as possible. Koehler will write up a policy for review at the next Regular Meeting.

Website information was discussed.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to recess the Regular Meeting at 9:58 a.m. for the Public Hearing for the Sheridan Lake Water District. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Commissioners were back in Regular Session at 10:45 a.m. and resumed the Regular Meeting.

Van Brown and Thomas McClernan met with the Commissioners regarding bio-solids. Brown stated that the Town of Eads is in the process of cleaning out bio-solids in the lagoons. Since there was a moratorium on bio-solids in the County, the Town would like to have a waiver so that bio-solids could be placed on agriculture land. The Town feels that if they don't receive a waiver, they will have to haul it somewhere. The Commissioners stated that since they are within the County, a waiver is not required for them to disperse the bio-solids. Otherwise, the Town is permitted by the State on how the application is to be handled.

Prairie Pines Assisted Living (PPAL) was discussed. One application for the administrator's position was received for consideration at this time.

The KCEDF lease was reviewed after changes were made. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to sign the revised KCEDF lease. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Fire District issue was discussed.

The Veterans report was reviewed.

The Sheriff's report was signed and filed.

There were reports given regarding SAGE, SEBREA, and SECED.

The County Health Pool (CHP) Employer option sheet for health insurance was reviewed. There will be an 8.3% increase for health insurance for 2013. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to stay with the current coverage with CHP with the increase. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

An idea for employees to be given an article of clothing during the holidays was discussed. More information will be discussed at the next Regular Meeting.

The annual winter conference for the Commissioners was discussed. It will be November 26th through the 28th, 2012.

ADA signage was discussed for elections

Oswald discussed a resolution regarding opposing the marijuana on the ballot. This will be discussed further next meeting.

The next Regular Meeting is October 15, 2012.

With no further business, a motion was made by Oswald, seconded by Koehler, to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m. All Commissioners voted affirmative.