

The Regular Meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Scott on January 30, 2014. Oswald opened the meeting with prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. Those attending were:

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

Minutes from the January 14, 2014 Regular Meeting was presented. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve the Minutes as presented. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The vouchers were reviewed. One voucher was questioned. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Scott, to approve and sign the vouchers. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The agenda was reviewed. Item #11 – Playground Equipment - was added to Old Business; and #9 – Liquor License Application for Cobblestone Inn & Suites – was added to New Business. Scott made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve the agenda with additions. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

LEPC Commission letters will be mailed for a February 11th meeting.

The Brownfield Grant deadline was met. The County should know something by February 15 regarding this grant.

The Transit Van Policy issues were discussed. This will be reviewed further in a work session before changes are considered.

Fair Board issues were discussed. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was sent to the Extension Office between them and the Fair Board. This will be discussed at the Fair Board meeting on February 4th.

Road & Bridge issues were discussed. Tire storage was moved to the County Shop at Eads. Road & Bridge would like to use one of the old Crown Victoria's from the Sheriff's department to transport their crew to Sheridan Lake. The red pickup has lots of miles and needs to be replaced. This will be discussed with the auditor before any decisions are made. The Commissioners will allow gravel to be hauled to the cemetery for road repairs.

The Sheriff's vacancy was discussed. A letter was received from the Republican vacancy committee. Scott made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to appoint Casey Sheridan as sheriff, effective at 8:01 a.m. on February 14th, 2014 when Sheriff Frazee steps down. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Gerald Deines with DW Waste met with the Commissioners to discuss landfill issues. He stated that Prowers County has raised their dumping fees and it is cutting into DW Waste profits. He asked the Commissioners if he might be able to dump 2 loads per month from Prowers County in the Eads landfill at a cost lower than what Prowers County is charging. Due to landfill regulations, the Commissioners can not make any decision at this time. They will discuss this matter further and see what can be done, if anything.

The Eads and Haswell landfills were discussed. The Colorado Department of Health and Environment sent a Letter of Deficiencies that need to be addressed for the Haswell landfill. The concern is when a letter will be generated for the Eads landfill. They will start working on the deficiencies at Haswell.

There was discussion regarding E-Waste information from Shawna Hodges with the Lamar Partnership Enterprise. People will be responsible for their own E-Waste. It can not be put in the landfills!

There was discussion regarding the Statewide Child Support Hotline (SCSH). Oswald made the motion, seconded by Scott, to go on record in support of the SCSH. All Commissioners voted affirmative. A letter of support will be sent.

The day care playground equipment was discussed. Elise Deverman wants to add to the playground equipment in the Town Park at her own expense and would like to have this equipment donated to the cause. Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to donate the usable day care equipment to the Town of Eads Park. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The County Clerk's office will be closed for Election Certification training at noon April 10th and all day April 11th.

The Sheriff's report for January was signed and filed.

The Veterans report was reviewed.

The Treasurer's Semi Annual Report was approved and signed.

The TV Tower report was reviewed.

One time-off request form was reviewed. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve the time off for Heather Smith. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The 2014 Community Building custodian contract was discussed and will need to be advertised for bids.

Bill Dutro with Southeast Development sent a letter for annual support in the amount of \$500 for the Small Business Development Center (SBDC). Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to continue to support SBDC in the amount of \$500. All Commissioners voted affirmative. Bill Dutro also informed the Commissioners that he was resigning as director of SBDC and would visit with them during his next visit.

Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to accept the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Impact Assistance Grant for 2014 in the amount of \$1,614.11 for the tax year of 2013. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to grant Eastern Slope Rural Telephone a Kiowa County Utility Easement permit to install fiber optic lines in the county road barrow pits. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve Bob Woods and Eunice Weber as ambulance drivers for a three year term. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

A service agreement for the printer moved to the Assessor's office was discussed. Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to establish a service agreement with Gobin's for the Canon printer in the Assessor's office. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve the Application for Retail Liquor License for the Kiowa County Investment Group for a beer and wine license at the Cobblestone Inn & Suites. The hearing will be scheduled for Tuesday, February 18th, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

The next Regular meeting will be February 13th, 2014.

With no further business, Scott made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m. and will hold a work session from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Debra C. Lening
Kiowa County Clerk

Richard Scott
Chairman