

Kiowa County Commissioners meeting minutes - July 14, 2022

The regular meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order on July 14, 2022; at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Donald Oswald. Commissioner Lening opened the meeting with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in Attendance:

- Donald Oswald, Chairman
- Howard "Butch" Robertson, Commissioner
- Mike Lening, Commissioner
- Delisa Weeks, County Clerk
- Tina Adamson, County Administrator

Oswald moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to move into executive session for Personnel (24-6-402 4(F) (I)) at 09:27 a.m. Motion carried.

Lening moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to move out of executive session and back into the regular meeting at 10:57 a.m. Motion carried.

Minutes: Robertson moved, and Oswald seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2022, meeting. Motion carried.

Vouchers: Lening moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried. One voucher was being questioned but was later approved.

Agenda: Oswald moved, and Lening seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Grant Updates:

RREO Grant: the recycling grant for rolls offs for the dumpsters. A statement of work was filed, and the County is waiting for approval to spend the funds.

EOC Grant: Shellie Engelhardt, Emergency Manager; provided information to Administrator Adamson in regard to a generator for the courthouse. No action was taken at this time.

Transit Grant: Administrator Adamson has sent several letters to businesses requesting estimates for construction of the building at the fairgrounds.

Housing Project Update: Everything seems to be moving along at this time.

Landfill/Recycling Update: The town is requesting permission to dump tree trimmings for free. Oswald moved to approve the request as long as it is tree trimmings only. Lening seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Planning and Zoning: Sure Shots Solar has submitted a preliminary permit application. The application will be for a 600 megawatt solar farm.

Upcoming Meetings and Reports: Reports and meetings were reviewed and signed.

Dennis Pearson, Social Service Director; entered the meeting at 1:00 p.m. to provide a monthly report. Pearson said the air conditioning in the social service car has quit working and is being repaired. Pearson discussed the Cost Allocation Plan the State provides to the County.

Road Foreman, Allen Watts entered the meeting to discuss a county road that has a gate across it and issues of how often it is graded. Further discussion took place with no action taken at this time.

A review of the fuel budget for the Road & Bridge Department was discussed. With the fuel prices going up the County will have to watch closely as the year comes to a close.

New Business:

Historic Preservation Board Vacancy: Zelpha Deines wrote a letter of interest for the Historic Preservation Board position. Lening moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to appoint Zelpha Deines to the Historic Preservation Board. Motion carried.

Fair Board: Board Members in attendance: David Walker, Areta Laird, Cody Fox, Tallie Lane and Tabatha Ferris. Walker spoke in regard to the Liquor license, the location of the beer garden and the finances. Walker asked if there was anyone interested in volunteering to help take money for the fair and rodeo.

Administrator Adamson will organize a group of people to sell wristbands near the grandstands and will pre-sell wristbands at the commissioner's office two weeks prior to fair. Wristbands will no longer be required to enter the fair grounds. Fairgoers will have to purchase wristbands for the barbeque and entry into the grandstands on Friday and Saturday.

Further discussion over the application of the liquor license took place. There will be a public hearing on July 14th at 10:00 a.m. at the Commissioner's Regular meeting.

Walker also provided a report on the fair royalty and the rodeos they have been attending.

The Fair Board members exited the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

R & B Applicant: There was one applicant, but after interview they did turn down the offer.

Maintenance Applicant: One application was received and interviewed. The applicant turned the offer down.

Sheriff Vehicles: The Sheriff's Office will be purchasing two used pickups to replace the other damaged patrol vehicles. Each pickup was purchased for \$10,000.00 each.

Maintenance-Tree Trimming Estimate: The BOCC approved the tree trimming estimate at \$1,700.00.

Horseshoe Park-Tree Removal: Robertson moved, and Oswald seconded the motion to remove a tree at the Horseshoe Park. Motion carried.

Sheriff Security Estimate: The Sheriff's Office presented an estimate for extra hard drive for storage of information which will help with the new requirements the Clerk and Recorder's Office will need due to election mandates. Lening moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the purchase in the amount of \$1,050 .00. Motion carried.

Maine Street Bash: The BOCC agreed to supply the tables and two inflatables for use at the Maine Street bash.

Lake Cleanup Agreement: Oswald moved, and Lening seconded the motion to sign the Lake Clean Up agreement with Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Motion carried.

VSO: The Veteran's Office will be discussed further at the next regular meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held 9:00 a.m. on July 28, 2022.

With no further discussion, Oswald moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Chairman

County Clerk