Kiowa County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes June 29, 2023

The Regular meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order on June 29, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Donald Oswald. Commissioner Oswald opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Donald Oswald, Chairman
- Howard "Butch" Robertson, Commissioner Mike Lening, Commissioner
- Ginger McPherson, Deputy Clerk
- Tina Adamson, County Administrator

Minutes: Robertson moved, and Lening seconded the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Vouchers: Oswald moved, Lening and seconded the motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

Agenda: Oswald moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda with the following additions:

New Business: Audit Extension. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Grant Updates: Administrator Adamson provided updates on the RREO and COG grants. Proposition 123 initial application for housing was turned in. Discussion ensued with no further action.

9:37 a.m. Marilyn Wagner with CTSI joined the meeting.

Landfill/Recycling: Adamson stated the cardboard was hauled. Roll offs are going well, looking into getting more. There was discussion over the recycling bins being dumped more often in the County.

10:00 a.m. Marilynn Wagner-CTSI presented the Counties 5-year Loss/Risk Report. Wagner exited the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

10:14 a.m.: Raina Lucero with the Kiowa Independent joined the meeting as a member of the audience.

10:33 Russ Watson, Emergency Services Director joined the meeting to discuss leasing or renting the Old Senior Center for Ambulance and Hospital training and storage.

Watson stated the Ambulance Service would like to upgrade from BLS to at least one ALS rig. No action was taken at this time. Adamson will review and have further information forthcoming.

Watson received a grant for Naloxone, the drug that is used to rapidly reverse opioid overdose. He is researching as to where this drug could be stored in the county.

Fairground Electric Bids: Received 2 bids:

- 1. Arena lights
- a. \$14,000.00
- b. \$17,152.00

- 2. Fans under Grandstands
- a. \$1,900.00
- b. \$3,890.00

Lening moved to accept bids Ranahan for arena lights and HH Electrical, LLC for fans under the grandstands. Robertson seconded the motion. Roll was taken: Robertson -yes, Lening -yes, Oswald -yes. Motion passed.

Lunch 12:04 p.m. Oswald moved to recess for lunch. Lening seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

Resolution 2023-03

A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Kiowa County, Colorado amending the Kiowa County Zoning and Planning Regulations.

Those in attendance:

- Steve Cummingham
- Natacha Kiler
- Mackenzie Wall
- Melanie Medeiros 2 Minors
- Marlin Conry
- Raina Lucero
- Greg Brophy
- Hugh Patrick Breslin
- Madison Wrobly
- Patty Splitter
- Mike Splitter
- Wade Inverstine

Adamson thanked Wade Inverstine for pointing out some errors that needed to be corrected. Adamson read the corrected amendments.

Lening moved to accept the resolution as read. Oswald seconded. Roll call vote, Lening yes, Robertson yes, Oswald yes. Motion passed.

Mike Splitter requested to have the current building permits applications grandfathered in for setbacks. After further discussion, Oswald moved to grandfather in the current building permits, Robertson seconded. Roll call was taken: Robertson yes, Lening yes, Oswald yes. Motion passed.

Resolution 2023-06 Series 2018

2018 International Building Code (IBC) and 2018 International Energy Conservation Code and Amendments suggested by Michael Yearman. Mr. Yearman provided the following suggested amendments: Chapter 18, Articles 2, 9 and 12 of the IBC Code related to Building Regulations. Adamson read the suggested amendments. Oswald moved to adopt Resolution 2023-06 Series 2018 as read. Lening seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner's Redistricting: Administrator Adamson spoke to Colorado College regarding the mapping of the Commissioner's Districts. Colorado College was to assist in the mapping but due to timing constraints and communication the mapping was not able to be completed by July 1st. After further discussion, Oswald moved to leave the Commissioner's Districts as they are currently divided. Robertson seconded the motion. Motion carried. The next Commissioner's redistricting will be in the year 2025.

1:35 p.m. All left meeting. Lynch remained.

GSI System: Tabled tell July 2023 meeting.

Upcoming Meetings and Reports were reviewed and signed.

On July 11, 2023, a 911 Board meeting will be held at Bent County Jail. The BOCC and Sheriff Williams will tour the Bent County Jail at this time.

New Business:

Undersheriff Marlow joined the meeting at 1:40 p.m. to provide information on the 2 new vehicles that were purchased for the Sheriff's Department. Marlow reported the vehicle should be ready within a couple of months.

Marlow thanked the BOCC and exited the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

Raina Lucero exited the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Estimate for Grandstand painting and rubber roofing was received. Discussion ensued. No decisions were made.

Leave Donation Request: Lening moved to accept the leave donation request. Robertson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Oswald moved to approve the audit extension request. Robertson seconded. Motion passed.

Sheriff Williams joined the meeting at 2:13 p.m. Williams will schedule a tour for the Prowers County Jail with the BOCC also attending.

The meeting recessed at 2:35 for two job interviews.

Regular session resumed at 4:05 p.m. Robertson moved to hire **Pamela (PJ) Lessenden as the new Haswell Senior Center Coordinator** to start on August 1, 2023. Lening seconded and the motion passed.

Robertson moved to hire **Skyler Wilson as Road & Bridge Equipment Operator** to start immediately. Lening seconded and the motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be held July 13, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

With no other business to conduct, Oswald moved, and Lening seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. Motion carried.