UNOFFICIAL MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 26, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Scott on November 26, 2013. Scott 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

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

Minutes from the November 14, 2013 Regular Meeting was presented. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve the Minutes as presented. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The agenda was reviewed. There were no additions to the agenda. Scott made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to approve the agenda as presented. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Environmental Site Assessment for Maine Street Hotel will be approximately \$133,000.00. Doing nothing with the building is not acceptable. Grants need to be applied for right away. Applications for the grant are due December 10th.

The CDOT Faster Grant application process for a transit van vehicle has been started. The County will have to match 20% of the total purchase price.

Commissioner Koehler presented a preliminary gravel pit policy for review.

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

The Veterans report was reviewed.

Jeanne Sorensen entered the meeting at 9:35 a.m. as a visitor.

Terry Koehn with Wagner Equipment met with the Commissioners regarding snow plow blades. There are none available for approximately 11 weeks. The old blades will need to be modified for the new motor graders.

Reports from SEBREA, SCEDD, and SECED were given.

Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to recess the Regular Meeting at 10:00 a.m. for a Public Hearing for the Budget. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Budget was reviewed and discussed. With no public in attendance for comment, Scott made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to close the Public Hearing for the Budget and resume the Regular Meeting at 10:10 a.m. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to adopt the 2014 Kiowa County Budget as presented. All Commissioners voted affirmative. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to sign the Letter of Budget Transmittal, the Certification of Tax Levies for Non-School Governments, the Resolution to Appropriate Sums of Money, the Resolution to Set Mill Levies, and the Resolution to Adopt Budget. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Tearle Lessenden met with the Commissioners regarding a request by Waco Wollert to use the arena and track at the Fair Ground in July for a CJRA Rodeo for younger kids. This event is a non-profit rodeo and should bring a lot of people to Eads. The Commissioners said they would like more information but thought this would be a great event to have in Kiowa County. Lessenden will get more information.

Road Foreman Rick Spady met with the Commissioners regarding Road and Bridge issues. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to hire Robert King for the Road and Bridge crew. All Commissioners voted affirmative. There are still at least two openings in Road and Bridge to be readvertised for.

There were no time-off request forms to review.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to write a letter of support for the Lincoln County Foreign Trade Zone proposal. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to sign the State Historical Fund Contingency Use and Budget Revision Form for the masonry parapets on the Murdock Building project. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Jeanne Sorensen left the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Bruce Fickenscher and Jennifer Wells with CSU Extension met with the Commissioners. Scott made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to go into Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f) for personnel issues at 11:03 a.m. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Commissioners came out of Executive Session and resumed the Regular Meeting at 11:50 a.m. They recessed for lunch until 1:00 p.m.

DSS Director Dennis Pearson met with the Commissioners for DSS updates. Pearson reported that Medicaid paid out in October was \$46,635.40 on behalf of Kiowa County residents. Pearson reported that the Health Care Navigator person has changed for the third time. He also stated that the Child Welfare program was going well.

DEM Nancy McCain met with the Commissioners for Emergency Management updates. The LEPC was discussed. She reported that the State appointed the Commissioners to the LEPC. McCain reported that she was accepted to the Emergency Management Academy and would be gone approximately 4-5 days each month (excluding January) depending on what was going on in Kiowa County. She also reported that she was installing a security system at her office. Administrator Dunlap asked McCain for a current inventory list.

The next Regular meeting will be December 12th, 2013.

With no further business, Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to adjourn the meeting at 1:45 p.m. All Commissioners voted affirmative.