Kiowa County Commissioners meeting minutes - April 29, 2021

The regular meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order on April 29, 2021; at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Donald Oswald. Robertson opened the meeting with a prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. Those in attendance:

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

**Minutes:** Robertson moved and Lening seconded the motion to approve the April 15, 2021 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

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

**Agenda:** Robertson moved and Oswald seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried. Additions: Old Business-Kiowa County Financial & HR Policy Revisions/ Public Health Child Fatality Program IGA/ and Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Fiber Agreement.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Grant Updates:** Adamson reported that the County had received its final payment from State Historical on the new Senior Center in the amount of \$126,773.00. Adamson will contact an electrician and get an estimate on outlets for the Wissel portion of the Senior Center.

**Revitalizing Main Street Grant:** Administrator Adamson, will forward the grant information to each Town in Kiowa County, and then leave it up to them to apply for such grant, if so desired.

**Single Entry Point:** Lening suggested a work session to discuss further on the Single Point Entry and other County grants.

**Landfill/Recycling Update:** Mr. Scranton has addressed the three items that needed to be corrected at the landfill at the request of the State. Administrative Assistant, Jordan Weirich; has filed for a **recycling rebate** and the money we receive from the rebate will be used to offset the costs of the recycling center.

Lakes Update: The landowners meeting will be held tonight (April 29).

**Megan Hillman with the Prowers/Kiowa County Board of Health** entered the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Oswald moved and Robertson seconded the motion to recess the regular meeting and move into the Board of Health meeting at 10:10 a.m. Motion carried.

Oswald moved and Robertson seconded the motion to end the Board of Health meeting and move back into regular session at 10:45 a.m. Motion carried. Robertson moved and Lening seconded the motion to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement with Public Health Child Fatality Program. Motion carried.

**Lisa Thomas with Collaborative Management Program** (CMP) entered the meeting at 10:50 a.m. to discuss the partnerships with the different entities in our community. Thomas discussed some of the

services she provides for children and parents so they remain as a family and not enter the child welfare system. This may be counseling and after school projects involving both parent and child.

Oswald moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the annual CMP Intergovernmental Agreement. Motion carried. Thomas and Hillman exited the meeting at 11: 15 a.m.

**Ambulance Service:** The County has received their NPI number, which is a National Provider Identifier which must be obtained for billing Medicare and Medicaid.

Maintenance Personnel: Maintenance Foremen, Nick Johnson entered the meeting at 11:20 a.m. to discuss the work orders the Fair Board has requested to be completed in the near future. Johnson and his crew will begin work on the horse stalls next week. The Fair Board would like for the horse stalls to be modified to make the pens bigger. The Fair Board is requesting that the Maintenance Crew clean and organize the storage area under the Grandstands.

There will be a **Disc Golf Clinic** & 2 Disc Challenge held on May 22, 2021; at the new disc golf course that the Commissioners had installed at the fairgrounds. The Commissioners were in agreement to name the course in memory of Dick Scott, who had the idea for the course.

Oswald moved and Lening seconded the motion to recess for lunch at 12:25 p.m. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

**Eunice Weber** entered the meeting at 1:30 p.m. to provide a report on the Heli Pad lights. She reported the parts have been ordered but have not yet arrived.

Weber had also received three gurney batteries that were refurbished and in good working order.

Weber has also purchased \$1,600.00 of EMT training books. She thanked the BOCC for their time and exited the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

**Planning & Zoning Update:** Discussion regarding Invenergy's permit requests for installation of 4 MET towers in Kiowa County in the very near future.

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

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Legislative Issues:** Discussion followed with House Bill 1095 on 811 locates. The Road Foremen have asked for locates in the past but with little to no response from the entities who require locates.

**PAUSE,** which stands for Protect Animals from Unnecessary Suffering and Exploitation, also known as Proposition 16, was discussed and decided to make a resolution or mail a letter stating opposition of this proposition. If this proposition should pass this could adversely affect the future for ranchers in Colorado. It would also hurt veterinarians, meat processing plants and farmers.

**Kiowa County Financial & HR Policy:** Lening moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the revised Kiowa County Financial & HR Policy. Motion carried.

**Eastern Slope Fiber Agreement:** Lening moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the Eastern Slope Fiber Agreements. Administrator Adamson will complete the agreements for each of the county entities. Motion carried.

**Fair Board Discussion:** Members of the Fair Board who entered the meeting were David Walker, Cody Fox, and Areta Laird entered in person. Those who attended by video were, Tyler Hainer and Tabitha Ferris. Extension Agent, Tearle Lessenden was also present in person. A member of audience by video was Connie Brase.

Discussion over the cost of the barbeque and if the Fair Board could possibly do away with it due to the cost, which on the average is about \$8000.00 for two or \$4000.00 for one. The Fair Board discussed contacting KVAY radio and see if they would want to do their promotional hamburger fry instead of doing a barbeque. No action taken.

Other items that were discussed were the open board position and if a decision had been made for the person interested.

The Fair Board would like to have the arena worked once a week and ripped once a month.

Those listed above exited the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

With no other items to discuss, Oswald moved and Lening seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4: 10 p.m. Motion carried.