

The Regular meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order on May 26, 2016; at 9:10 a.m. by Chairman Richard Scott. Scott opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were:

Richard Scott, Chairman of the Board
Cindy McLoud, Commissioner
Donald Oswald, Commissioner
Delisa Weeks, County Clerk
Tina Adamson, County Administrator

Oswald moved and McLoud seconded the motion to accept the minutes as presented. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

McLoud moved and Oswald seconded the motion to pay the vouchers as presented. Two vouchers were questioned. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

Oswald moved and McLoud seconded the motion to accept the agenda as presented with 1 addition to Old Business and 3 Reports were added to New Business. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

McLoud reported she is working on the final contract for the State Historical Fund.

Kiowa County Extension Agent, Brittany Bowman and Kelly Roesch, Southeast Area Agronomist entered the meeting to provide their quarterly report for the Extension Office. Bowman said they have 67 youth in 4-H and 30 Cloverbuds in the pre 4-H program. She said this was very good news for the 4-H program.

Roesch said he had been traveling to Fort Collins to study the climate change and the effects it has on our crops.

He said they are going to have wheat plot trials coming up in Kiowa County and hemp trial plots are going on in Walsh. He said the hemp grown in dry land will be observed to see what kind of production will take place.

Bowman and Roesch thanked the commissioners for their time and exited the meeting.

Kathy McCorkle with Domestic Safety Resource Center entered the meeting to provide an update on the Resource Center and how many cases she has covered in Kiowa County and throughout the 15th Judicial District.

McKorkle had been searching for someone in our area to serve on the board for the Domestic Safety Resource Center. She had been provided with a couple of names and she will contact them to see if they would serve on the board. She is also looking for two or three volunteers in this area to assist as volunteer advocates.

McKorkle had spoken with the Sheriff's Office to advise that there is a sexual assault nurse in Cheyenne County that can assist on exams fitting for this type of crime.

After further discussion McKorkle thanked the board for their time and exited the meeting.

10:30 a.m. McLoud moved and Oswald seconded the motion to recess the meeting and move into executive session. The Colorado Revised Statute for the executive session falls under Title 24, Article 6, Section 402, Subsection 4 (f) (1) to discuss personnel issues. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

11:50 a.m. Oswald moved and McLoud seconded the motion to come out of executive session. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

11:51 a.m. Oswald moved and McLoud seconded to recess for lunch. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

1:04 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:04 p.m.

1:05 p.m. Alexa Roberts, Janet Frederick and Mr. Karl Zimmerman, National Park Service Employees entered the meeting to discuss an agreement to help maintain the park roads. The Park Service had private businesses providing road maintenance for the park. Scott suggested the county would be willing to do road repairs and have gravel available to the park service when it was needed. The Park service said they would appreciate it and would give an advance call when they needed these kinds of services. The Park service then exited the meeting.

The Lake Clean Up issue was discussed. There have been no bids submitted to the commissioner's office. Administrator Adamson will advertise for another 2 weeks to see if someone will show interest.

Hospital Advisory Board: It was decided they would advertise for another 2 weeks to see if more individuals showed interest in being on the Hospital Board.

Maintenance Foreman Mike Crain entered the meeting to discuss the new employee that will be working under him. After reviewing the applicants Crain recommended Dominic Hernandez for the position. Oswald moved and McLoud seconded the motion to hire Mr. Hernandez for the maintenance position.

Fire District Updates: Meetings with the towns and mayors were still being held.

The Commissioners Office has not received any reports on the tests that were done at Shalberg's Pond.

The Commissioners have reviewed the Wind Farm Regulations from Lincoln County. No action was taken.

Oswald asked if a person could purchase a cattle guard from the county. Scott moved to purchase a new cattle guard with an installment payment plan due in 2016 and the second half in the first quarter of 2017. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

Upcoming Meetings and Reports were reviewed: The following meetings were attended by the Commissioners: SAGE, SEBREA, KCEDF, RESADA, SECED and Daycare.

Oswald moved McLoud seconded to approve the time off requests. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

Administrator Adamson will contact some of the local American Legion members and invite them to the next meeting to discuss the waterlines that are in need of repair/replaced at the Legion Hall at the fairgrounds.

Oswald moved and McLoud seconded the motion to give permission to Dennis Pearson, Social Service Director to advertise for the book keeper/front desk position at the Department of Social Services. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

The beer garden at the fair grounds was discussed. Scott moved to approve a beer garden at the fairgrounds during the Kiowa County Fair with a policy that will be forth coming. Oswald seconded. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

Gravel Pits and the sale of gravel were discussed. Administrator Adamson will write a letter to the pit owners stating the county is willing to go along with the sale of gravel and share the proceeds of the sale.

Oswald moved and McLoud seconded the motion to go into executive session at 3:23 p.m. The reason for executive session per Title 24, Article 6, Section 402 Subsection 4 (f) (1) to discuss personnel issues. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

Oswald moved and McLoud seconded to come out of executive session at 4:10 p.m. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

The next regular meeting will be held on June 14, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Oswald moved to adjourn the meeting and McLoud seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

Kiowa County Clerk

Chairman of the Board