

Kiowa County Commissioners meeting minutes - March 26, 2020

The Kiowa County Commissioner's Regular meeting was called to order on March 26, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Scott. Robertson opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in attendance:

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

Robertson moved and Oswald seconded the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Oswald moved and Robertson seconded to motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

Oswald moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Grant Updates: Latcon, who is doing the remodeling of the new Senior Center can not work on the project until Governor Polis lifts the Stay At Home Order, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. **Administrator Adamson** reported the County has received the obstacle course bouncy house. Discussion will come at a later date as to where the bouncy houses will set best and suitable for the children at fair time.

Adamson will add a phone line at the National Park Service for redundancy for the fire alarm system.

Landfill & Recycling Update: Dustin Nelson has started at the landfill.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the scheduled "Free Dump Day" has been canceled until July 11, 2020.

Administrator Adamson reported that the County had shipped bales of cardboard to Sage Recycling in Windsor, Colorado.

Scott made the motion, seconded by Oswald to recess the regular meeting at 10:02 a.m. and move into the **SECED Public Hearing**. Motion carried. Stephanie Gonzales, representing the office of SECED provided discussion over home loans. Gonzales said she will come to Kiowa County and hold an informational meeting for the public in what type of loans and who could qualify.

Robertson moved and Oswald seconded the motion to come out of the Public Hearing and back into regular session at 10:16 a.m. Motion carried. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Robertson, to authorize Stephanie Gonzales to send the "Close out Report" to Denver. Motion carried.

COVID-19 Update: Riley Frazee, Southeast Emergency Field Manager, had a phone conference with the BOCC in regards to COVID-19. Sheriff Sheridan and Emergency Manager, Shellie Engelhardt, entered the meeting at 10:31 a.m. to be debriefed on the current status of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Riley reported that the local hospital is in need of goggles, masks and gowns. He reported that Public Health in Prowers County had received some equipment that was allocated for Kiowa County but was not sure of the amount. Discussion followed further, with Riley ending his conversation by phone at 10:42 a.m.

Discussion continued on at the county level over COVID-19. Adamson did say that it was offered to any employee that is over 60 could go home with pay until April 10, 2020. Adamson also reported that those with compromising health issues were allowed to stay at home for the next two weeks with pay. With the new "stay at home" policy things could change and will be re-evaluated at the April 9, 2020 BOCC meeting.

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

New Hire Progress Reports: The newest employee is doing very well.

Kiowa County Courthouse Emergency Procedures: Scott made the motion, seconded by Robertson, to approve the Emergency Courthouse Procedure Booklet. Motion carried.

Discussion followed over an intercom/phone system for the courthouse, nursing services and social services. Administrator Adamson will check into pricing and discuss at the next meeting.

Viaero Building Permit: Oswald moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the removal of a building at one of the Viaero sites in Kiowa County. Motion carried.

Stelbar Oil & Gas Permit: Robertson moved and Oswald seconded the motion to approve the Stelbar Oil and Exploration Permit located in Section-31 Township-17S Range-41W. Motion carried.

Oswald moved and Robertson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:37 a.m. Motion carried.