

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 29, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Scott on October 29, 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

Minutes from the October 10, 2013 Regular Meeting was presented. Koehler made a motion, seconded by Oswald, to approve the Minutes as presented. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The agenda was reviewed. Chairman Scott asked for item # 6– CDOT Faster Grant to be added to new business. Scott made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to approve the agenda with the addition. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The vouchers were reviewed. No vouchers were questioned. Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to approve and sign the vouchers. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Blowing dirt issues were discussed. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to respond to the complaint by a letter being sent to NRCS, the Conservation Board, FSA, the land owner/operator and the party making the complaint. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Veterans Memorial committee was discussed. Roland Sorensen met with the Commissioners to invite them to the Veterans' dinner on Veterans' Day so they can discuss their ideas with the veterans in attendance. Two of the Commissioners and their wives will attend the dinner.

A gravel pit policy was discussed. Due to liability, even the landowner can not go into the pit without training and permission from the County. The Commissioners will continue working on the policy.

A payment was made for RV parking by Chad Roberson at the Fair and then other RV's came in and hooked up without paying. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to reimburse Chad Roberson for the RV parking payments. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

A letter of interest was received from Diane Davis for the Cemetery Board for Haswell and Arlington. Koehler made the motion, seconded by Oswald, to appoint Diane Davis to fill the vacancy until 2017. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Commissioner Regular Meetings for December will be December 12th and December 30th.

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

The Veterans report was reviewed.

Reports from Sage, SEBREA, SCEDD, SECED, and KCEDF were given.

There were no time-off request forms to review.

The quarterly report for CSU Extension was reviewed.

A thank you letter was received from KCEDF for Pedal the Plains.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to approve the Emergency Medical Vehicle Driver Permit for Carl Blodgett. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

Oswald made the motion, seconded by Koehler, to go into Executive Session with the County Attorney, pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(b) for attorney/client privilege at 10:00 a.m. All Commissioners voted affirmative.

The Commissioners came out of Executive Session and resumed their Regular Meeting at 11:00 a.m.

DEM Nancy McCain, Colorado LEPC Assistant Carol Way, and Colorado Emergency Planning Commission (CEPC) Tim Gablehouse met with the Commissioners. Gablehouse explained that the County needs to establish a Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC). It is required by Federal and State statutes. Having the LEPC provides a lot of benefits to the County. Anyone who is a member of the LEPC has statutory immunity for any kind of claims associated with emergency planning issues. This allows anyone from the community to be on the commission without someone suing them, from businesses, schools, religious groups, volunteer fire departments, etc. A roster of LEPC members goes into the State Commission and that gets approved by the State Commission. A lot of this grew out of the Hurricane Katrina disaster and how it was handled. They would need to educate first responders and citizens to know what to do and how to protect themselves in the event a hazard came their way, such as a chemical spill, a tornado, flooding, etc. An LEPC has the

authority to gain information but not to regulate. Typically, the LEPC would meet quarterly depending on the planning needs of the community. There was an LEPC established a few years ago but it has not been active for approximately four years. The Commissioners agree that this needs to be re-established.

DSS Director Dennis Pearson met with the Commissioners. Pearson reported that Medicaid paid out in September was \$71,481.33 on behalf of Kiowa County residents. Pearson presented the CORE Services Plan in the amount of \$53,000 for approval. Oswald made the motion, seconded by Scott, to approve and sign the CORE Services Plan 2013-2014 (First of a three year plan). All Commissioners voted affirmative. Pearson reported that a new Health Care Navigator will be coming to the County on Tuesdays.

The CDOT Faster Grant was discussed for the budget process.

The next Regular meeting will be November 14th, 2013.

With no further business, Oswald made the motion, seconded by Scott, to adjourn the meeting at 1:35 p.m. All Commissioners voted affirmative.