Kiowa County Commissioners meeting minutes - August 11, 2022

The regular meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order on August 11, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Donald Oswald. Robertson opened the meeting with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in Attendance:

- Donald Oswald, Chairman
- Howard Robertson, Commissioner Mike Lening, Commissioner
- Delisa Weeks, County Clerk absent
- Tina Adamson, County Administrator
- Ginger McPherson, Deputy Clerk

Minutes: Robertson moved, and Oswald seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2022. Motion carried.

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

Agenda: Oswald moved, and Lening seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Grant Updates:

Cindy McLoud stated mini DOLA grants through SECED are all approved.

Eads Senior Citizens went under their request and would like to submit another grant request up to the full \$5,000 with 50% match of \$10,000 project. The application due date is August 24, 2022.

McLoud spoke about housing in Sheridan Lake, preliminary conversations about an RV park.

Kiowa County Road & Bridge Foreman, Rick Spady joined the meeting at 10:00 am to discuss the oven at the Fair Grounds. The gas lines were replaced on the BBQ oven, discussion ensued. Spady said he would check with Wild Cat in Cheyenne Wells about parts. There was discussion about Wi-Fi and the availability to use it for monitoring the oven during cooking time for the Fair BBQ.

Spady spoke in regard to a complaint he received from 2 farmers about spray jugs blowing around countryside. Spady will take pictures and return them to the Commissioners.

Adamson said, she had received **some bids for the Fair Ground lighting**. She is waiting for more bids to come in.

Discussion of the door size for the new building being purchased at the fairgrounds ensued. No action was taken.

Adamson stated the RREO Grant is final.

SECOG Mini Grant: Adamson stated waiting on bids for the electrical and flooring.

EM Grant: Adamson stated the County yet to receive any bids on a generator for the Courthouse.

Landfill/Recycling Update: Both buses are now working.

P & Z Update: The 1041 process was discussed. Administrator Adamson will be attending a weekly meeting with the attorney and consultant through ZOOM to ensure the process stays on the required timeline for each development.

Oswald moved, and Robertson seconded to recess for lunch at 12:00 p.m. Motion carried. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Dennis Pearson, Director of Social Services joined the meeting at 1:00 pm to provide a monthly report for DSS.

Oswald moved, and Lening seconded the motion to approve a one year contract with Shawny Comer as the Child Support Advocate for Kiowa County. Motion carried.

Lening moved, and Robertson seconded to sign the CORE Service Program. Motion carried. **Lening moved, and Robertson seconded to sign tariff policies.** Motion carried.

County Diversion Policy 31-1001-CWP, Disaster Assistance 31-1002-CWP, Substance Abuse 31-1003-CWP, Hardship Extensions 31-1004-CWP, Other Assistance and Supportive Assistance 31-1005-CWP, Domestic Violence 31-1006-CWP, Workforce Requirements and Employment Outcome 31-1007-CWP, County Approved Settings 31-1008-CWP.

Kari Linker, with Senator Hickenlooper Office joined meeting at 1:30 pm to provide an update for the Senator's Office. Linker exited the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Fair: Adamson provided an update on the wristband sales for the Grandstands and BBQ Meals. Lacy Van Campen and Claire Prince have volunteered to sell the wrist bands. There will be more information forthcoming. There is a need for County employee volunteers for inflatables. All county staff is required to work during fair.

Listening Session Topics: There was discussion of a Head Start Program and childcare.

Will Arthur, from Attentive and Cigna; presented an additional insurance proposal for county employees. All three commissioners agreed to let the employees decide for themselves if they choose to enroll. A meeting will be scheduled for the week of September 19, 2022.

RREO Grant: Dustin Nelson and Jeff Scranton joined a zoom meeting with Katie Ramero CDP HE, Sage Gilbert CDPHE and Megan Vinet CDPHE. Waste tire pile shredding, 9 roll off trailers and landfill cover were line items discussed. Pictures of the completed project, proof of purchase, trailer tags and insurance must be completed before reimbursement is processed. After completion of removal reports will be filled out every 6 months for waste diversion.

New Business:

Upcoming Meetings and Reports: Reports and meetings were reviewed and discussed.

Post 125 Agreement: The Agreement was signed.

Tri-State: Lening moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to set the Pre-Permit Fee to \$12,000 and the Post-Permit Fee to \$10,000. A Public Hearing Date is set for September 29, 2022, at 10:00 am.

Terracon Letters: The towers in Towner and Sheridan Lake were reviewed. No concerns noted.

Gifford Memorial: Larry and Carla Gifford entered meeting at 3:30 p.m. to discuss the idea of renaming Highway 96 from Eads to Brandon after Zach Gifford or some kind of signage as a memorial marker. The Commissioners will look into the processes this would take; due to the fact it is a State Highway and not a county road.

RETAC Grant: Lening moved, and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the RETAC Grant as presented. Motion carried.

Circus: Lening moved, and Robertson seconded, to rent the fairground arena for a flat fee of \$200.00 for a circus that is coming to Eads on Monday, September 12, 2022. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, August 25, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

With no further business to conduct, Lening moved to adjourn meeting at 4:10 p.m. Robertson seconded the motion. Motion carried.