Kiowa County BOCC Minutes February 25, 2021

The Regular meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order on February 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman, Donald Oswald. Lening opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance: Donald Oswald, Chairman Howard "Butch" Robertson, Commissioner Mike Lening, Commissioner Delisa Weeks, County Clerk Tina Adamson, County Administrator

Commissioner Robertson made the motion, seconded by Lening to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion carried. Commissioner Lening made the motion, seconded by Robertson to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried. Chairman Oswald made the motion, seconded by Robertson to approve the amended agenda with the following additions Old Business: Newton County Missouri 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Act and New Business: Fair Board Letter, Police Service Agreement, Cobblestone Liquor License Renewal. Motion carried.

**Grants**: Lening presented information he had received from Linly Stum. Stum questioned if there was some kind of grant that would assist in electrical work to put in a generator at the parts store and the Hawk's Nest. Stum explained that this is where everybody gathers and he would like to be able to serve the customers as best as he could, especially in a time of need.

**Emergency Manager**, Shellie Englehardt entered the meeting at 09:20 a.m. to provide some information on funding that possibly could assist in electrical work that would fit the criteria for the Sheridan Lake business. Englehardt will speak with the Regional Manager in regards to this type of funding. Englehardt exited the meeting at 09:35 a.m.

**Landfill/Recycling:** Discussion followed over the breaking down of the cardboard boxes. Adamson reported that the trailer that holds plastic jugs and bottles continues to be *full*. Discussion followed with a possibility of another trailer for plastics. People can also put plastic containers in the old school bus parked behind Hometown Gas and Grill.

**Ashley Valdez, with Excel Energy** entered the meeting by video conferencing at 09:35 a.m. to introduce herself. Valdez said in the near future there may be some development in Kiowa County. Ms. Valdez manages the wind towers for Lincoln, Cheyenne and Kit Carson Counties. Ms. Valdez exited the meeting at 09:50 a.m.

**Lakes Update:** Adamson will be contacting some of the nearby land owners in regards to the lakes projects and make them aware what the County is trying to do.

COVID-19: There were no new cases.

**Eunice Weber, Ambulance Coordinator and Ken Flory, Ambulance Driver**; entered the meeting at 10:54 a.m. to review the Ambulance Service Agreement. Oswald moved to have Eunice Weber

remain as the Ambulance Coordinator for the 2021 year. Robertson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Discussion followed over the Agreement with the hospital and some issues that need to be addressed. Some items of discussion were: Restocking of ambulance Office Space Computer/Printer Technical Support Oxygen tanks storage Care of the helipad Lights are at the helipad There will be an ambulance work session held on March 2, 2021 Weber and Flory exited the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

**District 1 Road Foreman, Watts** entered the meeting at 11:45 a.m. to discuss the storage issues at the old shop in Sheridan Lake. After discussion, Lening moved and Robertson seconded the motion to purchase two forty foot containers at \$4950.00 per container. Motion carried. Watts also discussed the fuel tank status for District 1. No action taken. Watts exited the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

Oswald moved and Lening seconded the motion to recess the meeting at 12:16 p.m., for lunch. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

**Ambulance Service**: Lening moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the Ambulance Service Agreement. Motion carried.

**Hospital Board Appointment:** The BOCC will hold interviews for the three individuals who are interested in serving on the hospital board. Interviews will take place on March 3, 2021.

APHIS Work and Financial Plan: Tabled until further information is received.

**Newton County Missouri 2nd Amendment Act:** Robertson presented information on the 2nd amendment rights pertaining to the right to bear arms. County Attorney Steerman will review and make recommendations.

**Sales Tax Question:** By consensus of the BOCC, all agreed there will be a 1.5 percent sales tax question placed on the 2021 ballot for Kiowa County.

Oswald moved and Lening seconded the motion to sign the **COS! Scholarship Letter**. Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings: Reports and upcoming meeting were reviewed and signed.

## **New Business:**

Leave Donation Request: Robertson moved to accept the request for leave donation. Lening seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Care Act Funds for Sage:** Robertson moved and Oswald seconded the motion to donate \$1000.00 to SAGE using the Cares Act Funds. Motion carried. Sage meals can be purchased for people in Kiowa County and surrounding counties who qualify for these kinds of food programs.

**Central Recreation District Letter of interest/Member Requirements:** Lening moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the requirements and appoint Kyle Barnett to the Central Recreation Board. Motion carried. One of the requirements to be a member of the Central Recreation District is to be a landowner in the district they live.

**Domestic Safety Resource Center MOU**: Lening moved and Robertson seconded the motion to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Domestic Safety Resource Center. Motion carried.

**Fair Board:** Robertson moved and Oswald seconded the motion to appoint Russell Watson to the Fair Board as long as the Fair Board agrees to this appointment. Motion carried.

**Town of Eads Police Service Agreement:** Lening moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the Town of Eads Police Service Agreement. Motion carried.

**Cobblestone Liquor License Renewal:** Oswald moved and Robertson seconded the motion to approve the liquor license renewal for the Cobblestone Inn. Roll call was taken with Robertson - yes, Oswald-yes and Lening abstained from voting. Motion carried. Oswald moved to waive the liquor license fee due to COVID. Roll call was taken. Robertson-yes,

Oswald - yes and Lening abstained from voting.

Administrator Adamson had received a call from Russell Watson asking if the class of 2021 and 2022 could use the Community Building to hold PROM. This would also include a fundraiser at the Community Building to be held in March. The BOCC all agreed to the fundraiser dinner. However, Chairman Oswald advised that a COVID Plan would have to be turned into Public Health for review and approval for both events.

The next regular meeting will be held March 11, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. With no further discussion, Robertson moved and Lening seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 3 :20 p.m. Motion carried.

Chairman

County Clerk