

MINUTES
KIOWA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION
MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2016

PRESENT: Craig Kerfoot, Dennis Pearson, Donald Oswald, Sean Lening, Kelly Courkamp and Jan Richards. Mike Lening and Jerry Weber were absent. Cindy McLoud was present as a guest. With Chairman Mike Lening absent, the meeting was chaired by vice-chairperson Kelly Courkamp.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM with the above parties present. Minutes of the July 19, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Oswald moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Sean Lening and passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Jan noted she was expecting to collect money from the National Park Service, All-Rite Paving and from the purchase of lots. Following review, Kerfoot moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Sean Lening and passed unanimously.

Jan presented the Board with a written Coordinator Report for review. She noted a grant that had been applied for in order to develop a strategy for marketing the Great Plains Reservoirs was not approved. There was discussion of how to proceed in the future. Jan also noted the appraiser who is coming to value the lots being donated for the multi-family housing project would be doing so at a discounted price. The amount saved can be used as matching funds for this or future grant applications. There was also discussion about the need for recreational vehicle parking spaces in the county.

Possible annexation of KCEDF property by the Town of Eads was briefly discussed. A scheduled meeting between the KCEDF Board and Eads Town Council was cancelled due to most KCEDF Board members not being available. The Board directed Jan to schedule another meeting with the town.

The Board again reviewed a verbal request from an individual who desires to purchase approximately one acre of commercial property on which he will place storage containers. The Board had initially denied this request, but given the fact Cobblestone Inn and the NRCS have similar storage units on their property, the Board is willing to revisit the matter. The Board instructed Jan to obtain from the prospective buyer a written plan of where he wants to place the containers and to bring that plan back to the Board for review.

Jan reported she traveled to Calhan to look at the units that might be considered for the housing project on the lots donated by KCEDF. Jan will be returning to Calhan in the near future to work on actual floor plans and pricing of the units.

The local group trying to establish a day care center in Eads is searching for people to serve on their Board of Directors once they become a 501c3 entity. They would like a KCEDF Board

member to serve on their board if possible. Jan asked if there were any volunteers to do so. None of the KCEDF Board was willing to serve, but alternative choices were mentioned.

Jan noted a slate of officers had not been elected for the current year. Oswald moved to retain the current officers in their positions for the current year. The motion was seconded by Kerfoot and passed unanimously. The officers will remain: Chairman-Mike Lening, Vice-Chairman-Kelly Courkamp, Secretary-Dennis Pearson and Treasurer-Sean Lening.

Jan reported a property owner in Kiowa Creek Estates had reported water was running into Jackson's Pond via two channels separated by a sand bar. The land owner believes the water should flow through a single channel. The board instructed Jan to obtain a price for the work needed to make the change.

Several lot owners in Kiowa Creek Estates have inquired about the possibility of having natural gas routed to their properties. Jan has contacted Atmos Energy and met with one of their representatives, but has not heard back from him. The Board asked Jan to keep gathering information and pricing for having natural gas available.

Jan reported a local couple will be getting married in October and would like to hold the ceremony on the fishing pier at Jackson's Pond. The Board granted permission.

Jan also reported the Baxters would not be placing a home on their property in Kiowa Creek Estates until next spring. It was brought up about their storage building that is placed on the lot. The covenants state such a building can only be placed on a lot for one year unless a home is currently being constructed. It is believed the structure will be in place for more than a year by next spring. The Board asked Jan to find out when the year will be up and then the Board will revisit the matter.

There were no committee reports and no other business to discuss, so the next meeting was scheduled for September 20, 2016 at 6:30 PM. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.