

Commissioners Corner
By Dick Scott

The Kiowa County Economic Development Foundation has committed \$5000.00 to keep the Murdock Building project moving forward. This will help to secure grant funding for the next construction phase. The Commissioners sincerely appreciate their partnership on this phase.

We learned last week that Competitive Power Ventures has withdrawn from their proposed Wind Farm in the East end of the county. This is a real disappointment since this was (I think) our best hope for economic benefit to the county. The lack of transmission line to market energy from the project was the major reason. There is still one company considering a wind farm over toward Hwy 385. That too will depend on transmission. So the situation for transmission need does not really change. We need transmission for economic development but we need it in a way that landowners providing right of way can live with.