

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Zak Smith, Universal Construction, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Daniels led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Terry Call, citizen, joined the meeting.

Carl Slaugh, Iola City councilman, joined the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on December 29, 2022.

Chairman Daniels asked for public comment, there was none.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented his "wish-list" for 2023. A few items would include a couple of dump trucks, a "new" truck for the rock quarry, 2 mower decks, skid steer, and the MowerMax. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte & Jeremy Armstrong, St. Luke's Hospital, joined the meeting.

Chairman Jerry Daniels reported that Monarch Cement Company has pledged \$100,000.00 for Allen and Neosho Counties to assist with road repair expenses from the detours. For their records they are requesting documentation to show what the monies will be spent on. Discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported they are still working on the runway; still filling the cracks. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte, on behalf of St. Luke's Hospital came to introduce the new hospital administrator, Jeremy Armstrong. Jeremy has been here 3 months now. Discussion followed.

Loren reported the medical arts building is complete and in use. The work at the hospital is to bring in more specialists. Loren thanked the commission for their help to get this accomplished. The clinic on North Washington is now empty. Discussion followed on specialty clinics and the specialties that could be available in the clinics.

Commissioner Lee moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:49 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 8:59 a.m. No action taken.

Dimity Lowell, Iola Seniors Inc, joined the meeting.

Judge Daniel Creitz joined the meeting.

Judge Creitz reported on the interview process for the construction manager of the court expansion project. Two applicants, Crossland Construction and Universal Construction, were interviewed by a committee of 4 individuals. The recommendation of the committee is for Crossland Construction to be awarded the construction manager

contract. Discussion followed. Commissioner Lee moved to accept the committee's recommendation of Crossland Construction being awarded the construction manager position. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Dimity Lowell, Iola Seniors Inc, reported that Yutzy Construction informed them they had to have a pad built for the concrete work to begin. They were able to complete this.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:15 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, citizen, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:25 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:27 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, citizen, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:32 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Chairman Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:34 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:39 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$
- b) Payroll -

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Lee moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m. until Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the courthouse.

Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

David E. Lee, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

January 10, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Manager, Terry Call, Allen County Zoning, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Daniels led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the January 3, 2023 meeting.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, swore in Jerry Daniels as Commissioner for District #1.

Chairman Daniels moved to appoint Commissioner Lee as Chairman and Commissioner Symes as Vice-Chair for 2023. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for trade secrets. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:35 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 8:45 a.m. No action taken.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels presented Chairman Lee with a check from Monarch Cement for \$47,000.00. This was a contribution to help with road repairs due to the detours.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy reported that the county has made the final payment on the jail bond. He would like to know what can be done with the monies brought in when housing inmates from other counties. This money has been used to make the bond payments. Discussion followed. Commissioners would like another week to research what kind of fund it can be receipted into.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported the runway is done, all but for a few clean up items, and is now open. The striping company has been notified that it is ready. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that 90% of the radios for public works are in and being programmed for Allen County.

Mitch reported on the pre-construction meeting held at the landfill for the new cell. 15 contractors showed up to look around. Bids will be in by January 25, 2023. The engineer will help compile all of the information from the bids and get it ready for presentation to the commissioners. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson, County Counselor, updated on the tax sale process. Discussion followed.

Robert updated the commissioners on the agreement with Crossland Construction.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, presented to commissioners with an invoice for direct cremation of an indigent resident of Allen County. Commissioner Daniels moved to pay for the direct cremation. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon discussed with the commission to appoint or reappoint:

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappoint Jeff Johnson (January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025), Loren Korte (January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025), and Jim Gilpin (January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025) to the Board of Trustees of Allen County Hospital Facilities. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappoint Mike Waldman and John F. Brocker as alternate to the Regional Planning Revolving Loan Committee. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Chairman Lee to serve on the Bowlus Committee. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Bruce Symes to serve on the Allen County Housing Task Force. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Bruce Symes to serve on the Iola Industries Board. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Bruce Symes to serve on the Economic Development Board. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappoint David Lee, Nicholas Lohman, and Rebecca "Becky" Walden to the Multi County Health Board. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappoint William "Bill" Shirley to the Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging Board. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to reappoint John F. Brocker to the Executive Committee of the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappoint Paul Zirjacks as President of the Public Building Commission. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to name the Humboldt Union as the official newspaper for Allen County for 2023. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Georgia Masterson to the Tri-Valley Board per request from Bill Fiscus of Tri-Valley. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

NextEra, Andrew Schulte representative, here on behalf of NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, NEET Southwest. NEET Southwest is the owner/developer of a 345KV transmission line that will run from the Wolf Creek substation, southeast to the Blackberry substation in Missouri. This project was selected by Southwest Power Pool, and has received a certificate of convenience and necessity from the Kansas Corporation Commission. They are now needing to file a line sighting with the KCC There will be an open house for landowners in Fort Scott this evening.

Jackie Blakely, lead the late-stage development team. Update on where the project is at and at what stage it is sitting in. Chairman Lee reported the concerns he has heard has been about the route of the line. Jackie reported that all landowners have been contacted that have potential impact. Discussion followed. Eminent Domain is a last resort, they want to work with all landowners to come to agreements.

NextEra is trying to keep open lines of communication with the landowners at all times. Commissioner Symes asked if the line sighting being filed changed significantly since the last presentation. There were small adjustments made due to landowner concerns.

Lee one of his concerns is the proximity to the homes along the route. Between now and final sighting plan, could some of those be shifted farther out? There have been no documented health and safety concerns with the transmission line being place near homes. Once they file the line sighting proposal to the KCC, the KCC will still hold public hearings of their own before they lock in the line route. When the hearings are held by the KCC, NextEra will still be participating.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:57 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, Robert Poydack,

Airport Manager, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:07 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected. Commissioner Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:12 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:17 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:20 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Manager, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:30 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Lee Interviews for an economic development director, any questions to submit for the interviews. 2 appointments so far. Email bruce questions

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Email and information from Chelsie Angleton regarding a complaint
- b) Letter from Troy Smith, Director of Drug Court Program
- c) Allen County Solid Waste Financial Assurance Agency December 2022
- d) Fund Status Report for January – December 2022
- e) December reports for Public Works, Register of Deeds, Sheriff
- f) 2022 reports for Public Works, Register of Deeds, Sheriff
- g) 4th Quarter 2022 Periodic Reports for Rev Bds Series 2012 Principal & Interest, Lease Rev Bds Srs 2017A Principal & Interest, Taxable Revenue Bonds Srs 2017B Principal, Interest, and DS Reserve, CMS Covid-19 Adv Payment, Covid-19 Cares Act Rural Health Fund
- h) Adds – Oil, Value 194, \$28.20, Year 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$55,340.18
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – 2022 #89, 90, 91
- c) Payroll – 6 month increase for Dinah Glaze, 6 month & year increase for Terry McDonald
- d) Payroll – Vacation carryover of 49.5 hours for Dathan McMurtrey to be used by 6/16/2023
- e) Payroll – Reimbursements for Shannon Patterson & Jason Trego
- f) Abatements - Oil Value 194, \$28.20, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m. until Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk.

Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Jason Trego, Emergency Management, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative,

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on January 10, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment; there was none.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported dirt patcher will be here soon. Bids have been sent out for oil, over-lay and dust control. He asked about fuel tanks, hasn't received any bids. Commissioner Symes asked about long term plans.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, passed out LaHarpe Telephone Company utility right-a-way agreement for commissioners' signatures. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve commissioners sign said agreement, Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0

Jason Trego, Emergency Management, reported he has been asked to apply for another position, which would add to his current position. He would be able to do training for employees so they wouldn't have to be sent somewhere else for training.

Chairman Lee reported on correspondence from Terry Sparks regarding vacancy on hospital board. Outgoing members are Jeff Johnson & Ryan Coffield. Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Kim Ensminger & Nathan Fawson to hospital board, Commissioner Symes seconded motion passed 3-0-0.

Marc Waggoner, LaHarpe Rural Fire, joined commission meeting.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes for Non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:20 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor and Marc Waggoner. Commissioners reconvened at 9:20 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:20 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:25 a.m. No action taken.

Jay Stogsdill, county citizen, introduced a business he wants to bring to Allen County. He plans on a restaurant, gun store and indoor gun range / ax throwing at Sinclair building. He is in deliberations with bank right now. Completion 2-3 years out. The EPA is involved. The ventilation is a big issue and costs as much as the whole range. The restaurant will be diner style. The building hasn't been used since 1998. Licensing, zoning, tax abatement, etc was discussed. Liberty Landing dba Pro 2A Armory.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) KDHE Update on UST Operating Permit Extension
- b) Notice to Policyholders from EMC

- c) December monthly report for Noxious Weed
- d) 2022 Annual report for Noxious Weed
- e) Annual Township report for Iola Twp & Salem Twp
- f) Add – TR, Value 139, \$0.00, Year 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$ 332,634.20
- b) Payroll – PR change-Danielle Louk, PR enroll-Terry Call & Rusty Jones, Reimb- Kevin Turner, Process Servers-Sheriff Dept
- c) Abatements – PP, Value 9223, \$1303.42, Year 2022
TR, Value 139, \$20.20, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m. until Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

January 24, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported that the radio personnel is here installing all the new radios. The quality of the radios is really good, very clear reception. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that the runway is done and sealed. Only thing left is the striping which is waiting on the weather to be able to complete.

Mitch reported that they will be opening the bids for the new landfill cell tomorrow at 11:00 a.m. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented quotes for a 24-foot MowerMax for \$234,634.50 and a 26-foot MowerMax boom mower for \$239,649.50.



6902 E. 7th Ave.
Tampa, FL 33619

8136341111 x 4 WWW.MOWERMAX.COM

Quote

Date	Quote #
1/17/2023	3215

Name / Address
Allen Co., KS Mark Griffith 1 N. Washington Iola KS 66749

24ft

Rep
NC

Item	Description	Qty	Cost	Total
MWB Gen 3 New MWB Std-MWB3	Mower Max Boom - Gen 3 - New Base Assembly STANDARD EQUIPMENT INCLUDED: 154 HP Turbo Diesel, Stage V Cummins with 48 Fuel Tank 4-Speed Hydrostatic Transmission ISO Mount Cab with Insulation 6 Section Valve Bank with Electro-Hydraulic Joystick Controls 3450lbs Counterweight with Integrated Steps Cab certified for both ROPS - ISO 3471 and FOPS - ISO3449 Red Dot AC/Heat Cab with AM/FM/DVD 6.2in Touchscreen with Blue Tooth and iPod Control Heavy duty Radial Multi-Purpose Tires 180 Deg Boom Rotation Full time 4WD and 4 Wheel Steering with Rear Axle Stabilizer 4 LED Flasher/Strobes and 1 - 36in LED Directional Control Bar 12v Air-ride, Grammer cloth seat with lumbar, tilt, arm rest & two safety switches Back-up alarm	1	188,450.00 0.00	188,450.00T 0.00T
Rev Fan	Reversing Radiator Fan	1	998.75	998.75T
Back Up camera	MWB - Gen 3 Back-up Camera	1	786.25	786.25T
24ft Boom Arm	24ft Boom Arm without Head Attachment	1	10,986.25	10,986.25T
510-7051	MWB - Fecon FWX50 50in Mulching Head	1	22,907.50	22,907.50T
Rotate	180 Degree Rotate	1	4,175.00	4,175.00T
QDS-Boom MWB	Quick Disconnect System on boom arm and one attachment	1	2,630.75	2,630.75T
SHIPPING & HANDL...	SHIPPING & HANDLING	1	3,700.00	3,700.00
BuyBoard	BuyBoard Grounds Maintenance Equipment Contra... 611-20	1	0.00	0.00T
	Quote is good through 3/2/23			
	Out-of-state sale, exempt from sales tax		0.00%	0.00

Total \$234,634.50



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Quote

Date	Quote #
1/17/2023	3216

Name / Address
Allen Co., KS Mark Griffith 1 N. Washington Iola KS 66749

26ft

Rep
NC

Item	Description	Qty	Cost	Total
MWB Gen 3 New MWB Std-MWB3	Mower Max Boom - Gen 3 - New Base Assembly STANDARD EQUIPMENT INCLUDED: 154 HP Turbo Diesel, Stage V Cummins with 48 Fuel Tank 4-Speed Hydrostatic Transmission ISO Mount Cab with Insulation 6 Section Valve Bank with Electro-Hydraulic Joystick Controls 3450lbs Counterweight with Integrated Steps Cab certified for both ROPS - ISO 3471 and FOPS - ISO3449 Red Dot AC/Heat Cab with AM/FM/DVD 6.2in Touchscreen with Blue Tooth and iPod Control Heavy duty Radial Multi-Purpose Tires 180 Deg Boom Rotation Full time 4WD and 4 Wheel Steering with Rear Axle Stabilizer 4 LED Flasher/Strobes and 1 - 36in LED Directional Control Bar 12v Air-ride, Grammer cloth seat with lumbar, tilt, arm rest & two safety switches Back-up alarm	1	188,450.00 0.00	188,450.00T 0.00T
Rev Fan	Reversing Radiator Fan	1	998.75	998.75T
Back Up camera	MWB - Gen 3 Back-up Camera	1	786.25	786.25T
26ft Boom Arm	26ft Boom Arm with 1 additional 1400lbs CW and without Head Attachment	1	16,001.25	16,001.25T
510-7051	MWB - Fecon FWX50 50in Mulching Head	1	22,907.50	22,907.50T
Rotate	180 Degree Rotate	1	4,175.00	4,175.00T
QDS-Boom MWB	Quick Disconnect System on boom arm and one attachment	1	2,630.75	2,630.75T
SHIPPING & HANDL...	SHIPPING & HANDLING	1	3,700.00	3,700.00
BuyBoard	BuyBoard Grounds Maintenance Equipment Contract 611-20	1	0.00	0.00T
	Quote is good through 3/2/23			
	Out-of-state sale, exempt from sales tax		0.00%	0.00

Total \$239,649.50

He went through BuyWell to obtain the bids. The longest reach we had before was 22 feet. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the quote for the 26-

foot MowerMax boom mower for \$239,643.50 Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark reported that he is looking for attachments for the 2 new tractors we will be leasing. Discussion followed.

Mark reported that we will have some winter weather hitting us this evening and he has crews scheduled to come out around 4:00 a.m.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, presented a renewal for WEB Hosting from Advantage for \$1,463.00. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the renewal. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon reported that she is gathering more information to go with a quote from Advantage Computer for a new server. The current server is a 2017 and the warranty was for 3 years.

Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Administrator, reported that we may have a few zoning applications turned in for a March hearing and an April hearing. One will be for a towing company and one for a tower.

Commissioner Symes asked if anyone has had any communication with NextEra. Mark reported that he had. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee reported that Allen Community College will be celebrating their 100th year anniversary. He would like to present them with a proclamation on February 7th.

Commissioner Symes reported that he will be attending a juvenile detention meeting this week. A topic of discussion will be Senate Bill 367 which effects the requirements for juvenile detention. Discussion followed.

Stephen Euston, Bukaty Companies, joined the meeting. Stephen presented information regarding renewal for the health and welfare plan. Discussion followed on current year information.

Stephen spoke about the renewal information within the packet handed out. Discussion followed. Commissioners agreed to utilize Flex Access for prescriptions. Stephen will return on February 14th with updated renewal information.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:15 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:30 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 15 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:33 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:48 a.m. No action taken.

Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, reported he received a contract from Crossland Construction for the construction manager position. A few changes were being made so once the final draft arrives it will need executed.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Letter from City of Iola regarding EMS Contract
- b) Geneva Township annual report for 2022

- c) Inventory for 911 Communications
- d) December financial reports for hospital
- e) Email regarding quarter EMS reports
- f) December monthly report for District Court

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers 1/18-\$411,676.78 & 1/23-\$177,168.58
- b) Payroll – 6 month increase for Darcy Burton
- c) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Cara Bowen
- d) Clerks Journal Entries - #1, #2

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:51 a.m. until Tuesday, January 31 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

January 31, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Bruce Symes, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Manager, Terry Call, Allen County Zoning, Chelsie Angleton, Allen County 911 Communications Director, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the January 17, 2023 and January 24, 2023 meetings.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported they opened the bids for the landfill cell last Wednesday. They had 5 bids. Next week they will be presented and the engineer will be in attendance.

Mitch reported it is time to renew the solid waste annual plan. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the solid waste annual plan. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch stated the noxious weed department is looking for seasonal employees.

Carl Slaugh, citizen, joined the meeting

Chairman Lee asked how the prep work for the landfill is going. Mitch stated it is going well and Mark has been helping get the material moved. We will have to lease an Artic

730 haul pack to move the larger rock that contains rebar. This will be able to move twice as much as the dump trucks we have. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked what the current tipping fees are. Mitch stated that January 1, 2023 they increased \$0.50 per ton from 2022 pricing.

Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented a quote on the Artic Truck 730, haul pack, leased for one month for a total of \$14,135.00.

Mark Griffith

From: Foley Equipment <donotreply@integratedrental.com>
Sent: Monday, January 30, 2023 11:20 AM
To: Mark Griffith; Dustin Daniels
Subject: Foley Equipment: Quote Estimate (1/30/2023)



Freight is optional.

Here is the quote you requested for 2/6/2023 to 3/3/2023:

Description	Rates	Total
	D \$2,943	
ARTIC TRUCK 730	W \$7,007	\$13,500.00
	M \$13,500	
Environmental Fee		\$135.00
Delivery charge		\$250.00
Pickup charge		\$250.00
	Estimated Total:	\$14,135.00

Taxes not included.

Thank you!
Dustin Daniels
DDDaniels@foleyeq.com
620-288-9056

Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the bid for \$14,135.00 for the Artic Truck 730. Commissioner Daniels seconded. 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels asked Mark if the pot hole patcher is here; Mark confirmed it is. Discussion followed.

Mark stated he has bids out for oil and some for overlay.

Commissioner Symes asked about a bill for HVAC work done. He questioned if the monies that were previously used for jail bond could be used for this.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney client for courthouse security. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:52 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Sheriff Bryan Murphy, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:02 a.m. No action taken.

Robert Johnson II, reported the tax sale looks to still be on for April. Discussion followed on how the process works.

Commission Daniels moved to go into executive session for 30 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:10 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Allen County Zoning, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 9:40 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:41 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Allen County Zoning, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 9:51 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Conservation District invitation to annual dinner
- b) Fire District #4 annual report
- c) LaHarpe-Elm Cemetery annual report
- d) 31st Judicial District Drug Court graduation
- e) Marmaton Township annual report

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$193,003.39
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – 2022 #92
- c) Payroll – 6 month increases for Hailey Willis & Rhonda Franklin
- d) Payroll – Reimbursement for Terry Call

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m. until Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

February 7, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Jason Trego, Emergency Management, Chelsie Angleton, Allen County 911 Communications Director, Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Jared Brooks, Schwab Eaton, John Leahy, Thrive Allen County, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on January 31, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment; there was none.

Chairman Lee presented a special citation in honor of Allen Community College's 100-year anniversary.

Special Citation

Whereas, the county of Allen is proud to acknowledge significant milestones in the history of respected institutions that have improved the lives of our citizens and enriched the fabric of our communities; this occasion presents such a moment with the opportunity to commemorate the centennial anniversary of Allen Community College and its unwavering commitment to empowering students to become productive adults, critical thinkers, and motivated, caring citizens and

Whereas, Allen Community College began as Iola Junior College in 1923, originally located on the third floor of the Iola High School, and

Whereas Allen Community College, over the past three-plus decades, has attracted 60,688 students outside the county of Allen and 4,173 students outside the state of Kansas, adding to the diversity and vitality of the County.

Whereas, Allen Community College employees 111 person's on the Iola campus which in turn gives back to the County both economically and through service.

Whereas, Allen Community College has become a reliable partner in providing workforce training and advanced academic hours toward an eventual degree, and to the cultural element of our County through their drama, music, fine arts and athletic programs and

Whereas, all of the county of Allen is proud to join in congratulating Allen Community College on celebrating its 100th anniversary this year - looking back at a century of excellence in higher education and looking forward to many more years of success in helping students develop their intellectual capabilities, while cultivating their creative gifts.

Now Therefore, I, David Lee, chair of the Allen County Commission, do hereby confer this Special Citation upon Allen County College with congratulations and gratitude for 100 years of providing students with a diverse learning community and experience that fosters integrity, independence, and mutual respect.

Commissioner Symes moved to approve the special citation. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Dr. Bruce Moses, Robert Nickell, Rebecca Bilderback, Melanie Wallace, Cynthia Jacobson, Lauren Maisberger, Josiah D'Albini, representatives from Allen Community College and Becky Nilges, Centennial Committee, were present to accept the proclamation.

Judge Daniel Creitz and Larry Crawford joined the meeting.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, introduced Jared Brooks from Schwab Eaton.

Mitch presented bids for the new cell construction at the landfill.



February 3, 2023

County Commissioners
Allen County, Kansas
1 North Washington
Iola, KS 66749

RE: MSW Cell 2 Construction
Allen County Regional Landfill
Allen County, KS

Dear Commissioners:

Enclosed is the itemized bid tabulation that contains unit price information for the above referenced project, which was opened and read aloud on Wednesday, January 25, 2023.

We have reviewed the bids and determined that Halcomb Construction, LLC from Nevada, Missouri was the low bidder. Therefore, we recommend the award of the construction contract (Parts A and B plus Bid Alternate 3) to Halcomb Construction, LLC in the total amount of \$2,360,781.00.

Sincerely,
SCHWAB EATON

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jared W. Brooks'.

Jared Brooks, P.E.



MSW CELL 2 CONSTRUCTION
ALLEN COUNTY REGIONAL LANDFILL
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS
Wednesday, January 25, 2023

	NAME OF BIDDER			Halcomb Construction LLC	Dondlinger & Sons Construction Co., Inc.	Kings Construction Co., Inc.	Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc.	Range and Civil Construction, LLC	Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost
	ITEM	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE
PART A - MSW CELL 2 CONSTRUCTION									
1	Mobilization & Demobilization	1	LS	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 193,000.00	\$ 215,000.00	\$ 321,142.23	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 149,825.00
2	Earthwork (Excavation & Gen. Fill)	1	LS	498,327.00	345,000.00	375,000.00	810,570.06	1,149,000.00	700,000.00
3	24" Compacted Soil Liner	47,500	SY	4.85	5.25	6.00	6.46	9.70	8.50
4	60 Mil Textured HDPE Geomembrane	46,000	SY	5.06	5.04	6.00	5.91	8.15	8.00
5	40 Mil Smooth HDPE Rain Flag	1	LS	4,320.00	8,225.00	8,500.00	11,848.89	12,500.00	20,000.00
6	8 oz/yd ² Geotextile (Side Slope)	2,000	SY	5.00	2.75	3.00	1.61	2.90	8.50
7	Double Sided Geocomposite (300-2-8)	46,000	SY	7.81	8.75	8.00	8.24	11.70	11.00
8	12" Protective Cover (Imported Agg J2)	45,400	SY	6.54	9.25	9.00	9.21	23.00	18.00
9	Leachate Drainage Trench	1	LS	12,618.00	48,000.00	12,500.00	16,788.14	15,000.00	20,000.00
10	Leachate Collection Sump	1	LS	12,320.00	7,400.00	7,500.00	6,778.45	33,300.00	15,000.00
11	Leachate Side Slope Riser Pump	1	LS	42,150.00	64,000.00	50,000.00	47,997.03	89,300.00	75,000.00
12	8" HDPE SDR-11 Leachate Collection Pipe	1,260	LF	49.40	38.00	50.00	29.48	102.50	35.00
13	8" HDPE SDR-11 Stormwater Pipe	175	LF	49.40	49.00	45.00	32.01	80.00	30.00
14	18" HDPE SDR-11 Side Slope Riser Pipe	46	LF	75.00	225.00	175.00	223.13	252.00	150.00
15	2" HDPE SDR-17 Forcemain	175	LF	32.00	22.00	30.00	23.67	72.00	65.00
16	8" HDPE Ball Valve	2	EA	2,500.00	2,500.00	4,000.00	2,941.12	3,250.00	800.00
17	Gravel-Surfaced Access Ramp	1	LS	10,688.00	4,500.00	3,500.00	2,265.88	8,500.00	15,000.00
18	18" CMP Culvert	60	LF	65.00	90.00	65.00	69.84	100.00	75.00
19	Borrow Area Restoration	1	LS	130,000.00	28,000.00	25,000.00	78,858.37	234,200.00	50,000.00
20	Seeding	15	AC	3,700.00	1,725.00	2,500.00	2,430.77	2,600.00	3,500.00
21	Erosion Control	1	LS	10,000.00	9,300.00	12,500.00	9,256.22	35,500.00	25,000.00
	SUBTOTAL PART A			\$ 2,028,473.00	\$ 2,123,520.00	\$ 2,186,675.00	\$ 2,788,296.04	\$ 4,226,992.00	\$ 3,304,000.00
BID ALTERNATE 1									
1	Not Used (Removed from Project)								
BID ALTERNATE 2									
1	Leachate Pond Evaporation Unit	1	LS	\$ 63,467.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 77,179.34	\$ 66,700.00	\$ 75,000.00
BID ALTERNATE 3									
1	Leachate Pond Evaporation Sys. (Four Evaporators)	1	LS	\$ 226,868.00	\$ 205,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 219,914.79	\$ 233,500.00	\$ 245,000.00
PART B - LANDFILL GAS COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS									
1	Mobilization and Demobilization	1	LS	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 64,651.33	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 13,250.00
2	Perimeter LFG Collection Trench	750	LF	85.00	800.00	320.00	625.87	399.00	300.00
3	Stormwater Diversion Berm	750	LF	9.94	5.00	20.00	3.31	15.20	15.00
4	Perimeter LFG Monitoring Probe	2	EA	6,700.00	6,500.00	10,000.00	5,880.65	14,900.00	5,000.00
5	Site Restoration	1	LS	17,335.00	4,000.00	25,000.00	74,155.89	4,600.00	7,500.00
	SUBTOTAL PART B			\$ 105,440.00	\$ 685,750.00	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 622,453.52	\$ 350,050.00	\$ 267,000.00
	TOTAL PART A + PART B			\$ 2,133,913.00	\$ 2,809,270.00	\$ 2,536,675.00	\$ 3,410,749.56	\$ 4,577,042.00	\$ 3,571,000.00
	TOTAL PART A + PART B + BID ALTERNATE 2			\$ 2,197,380.00	\$ 2,884,270.00	\$ 2,611,675.00	\$ 3,487,928.90	\$ 4,643,742.00	\$ 3,646,000.00
	TOTAL PART A + PART B + BID ALTERNATE 3			\$ 2,360,781.00	\$ 3,014,270.00	\$ 2,736,675.00	\$ 3,630,664.35	\$ 4,810,542.00	\$ 3,816,000.00

*Indicates mathematical error on bid form

Five bids were received; Halcomb Construction LLC \$2,360,781.00, Dondlinger & Sons Construction Co \$3,014,270.00, Kings Construction Co \$2,736,675.00, Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking \$3,630,664.35, Range and Civil Construction \$4,810,542.00. Discussion followed. Recommendation from Mitch and Schwab Eaton is Halcomb Construction LLC for \$2,360,781.00. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the bid from Halcomb Construction. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Chairman Lee signed the Notice of Award.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented bids on mower attachments for the leased tractors.

BUSH HOG®
 Sourcewell MEMBER NO. 222256
 Awarded Contract CONTRACT NO. 070821-BHG

QUOTE FORM
 PO to be issued to Dealer

DATE 1/18/2023
 Quote valid for 60 Days

Remit PO to: Heartland Tractor
 Servicing Dealer Sales Rep Gage Cleaver

Address 2795 State Street
 City Jola State KS Zip 66749 Phone (620) 365-2341

Ship to: Allen County Public Works Roads and Bridges
 Agency Name Attn Mark Griffith

Address 1 North Washington
 City Jola State KS Zip 66749 Phone (620) 365-1422

Qty	Part No.	Description	List Price	Extended Price
1	12810RR4	10' Flex Wing, 1000 PTO	\$25,514.00	\$25,514.00
1	50082326	1000 PTO 1 3/8" CV Driveline	\$1,850.00	\$1,850.00
1	50074158	Dual Axle Center Section	\$1,931.00	\$1,931.00
1	50068188	Single Axle Wing	\$758.00	\$758.00
5	50083457	25.5x8"x14" Foam Filled Tires	\$661.00	\$3,305.00
1	50069457	Double Row Chains Front and Rear	\$1,170.00	\$1,170.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
		CONFIGURED PRICE		\$34,528.00
		LESS SOURCEWELL MEMBER DISCOUNT .30		\$10,358.40
		CONFIGURED PRICE SURCHARGE 0.00		\$0.00
		SUBTOTAL		\$24,169.60
		FACTORY/LOCAL FREIGHT		\$1,363.00
		SET-UP/PDI		\$250.00
Optional Equipment				
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
		SOURCEWELL MEMBER TOTAL PRICE		\$25,782.60



ALL PURCHASE ORDERS MUST BE MADE OUT
 TO (VENDOR):
 Deere & Company
 2000 John Deere Run
 Cary, NC 27513
 FED ID: 36-2382580
 UEID: FNSWEDARMK53

ALL PURCHASE ORDERS MUST BE SENT
 TO DELIVERING DEALER:
 PrairieLand Partners, LLC
 2701 North State
 Iola, KS 66749
 620-365-2187
 plpjd@plpjd.com

Quote Summary

Prepared For:
 ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS
 1 N WASHINGTON AVE
 IOLA, KS 66749
 Business: 620-365-1422
 kriebel@allencounty.org

Delivering Dealer:
 PrairieLand Partners, LLC
 Robert Storrer
 2701 North State
 Iola, KS 66749
 Phone: 620-365-2187
 rstorrer@plpjd.com

Quote ID: 28152169
Created On: 01 February 2023
Last Modified On: 01 February 2023
Expiration Date: 28 February 2023

Equipment Summary	Selling Price	Qty	Extended
JOHN DEERE FC10R Flex Wing Rotary Cutter	\$ 23,796.36	X 1 =	\$ 23,796.36
Contract: Sourcewell Ag Tractors 110719-JDC (PG 1P CG 70)			
Price Effective Date: January 31, 2023			
Equipment Total			\$ 23,796.36

* Includes Fees and Non-contract items	Quote Summary	
	Equipment Total	\$ 23,796.36
	Trade In	
	SubTotal	\$ 23,796.36
	Est. Service	\$ 0.00
	Agreement Tax	
	Total	\$ 23,796.36
	Down Payment	(0.00)
	Rental Applied	(0.00)
	Balance Due	\$ 23,796.36



MEMBER NO. 222256
 CONTRACT NO. 070821-BHG

QUOTE FORM
 PO to be issued to Dealer

DATE 1/18/2023
 Quote valid for 60 Days

Remit PO to: Heartland Tractor
Servicing Dealer: 2795 State Street
 City Iola State KS Zip 66749 Phone (620) 365-2341
Sales Rep: Gage Cleaver

Ship to: Allen County Public Works Roads and Bridges
Agency Name: 1 North Washington
 City Iola State KS Zip 66749 Phone (620) 365-1422
Attn: Mark Griffith

Qty	Part No.	Description	List Price	Extended Price
1	12815RR4	15' Flex Wing, 1000 PTO	\$29,233.00	\$29,233.00
1	50082326	1000 PTO 1 3/8" CV Driveline	\$1,850.00	\$1,850.00
1	50074158	Dual Axle Center Section	\$1,931.00	\$1,931.00
1	50068188	Single Axle Wing	\$1,476.00	\$1,476.00
6	50083457	25.5x8"x14" Foam Filled Tires	\$661.00	\$3,966.00
1	50069457	Double Row Chains Front and Rear	\$1,908.00	\$1,908.00
1	50082034	3 Hoses to adjust height and both wings independently	\$100.00	\$100.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
		CONFIGURED PRICE		\$40,464.00
		LESS SOURCEWELL MEMBER DISCOUNT	.30	\$12,139.20
		CONFIGURED PRICE SURCHARGE	0.00	\$0.00
		SUBTOTAL		\$28,324.80
		FACTORY/LOCAL FREIGHT		\$1,363.00
		SET-UP/PDI		\$250.00
Optional Equipment				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
		SOURCEWELL MEMBER TOTAL PRICE		\$29,937.80



ALL PURCHASE ORDERS MUST BE MADE OUT TO (VENDOR): Deere & Company 2000 John Deere Run Cary, NC 27513 FED ID: 36-2382580 UEID: FNSWEDARMK53	ALL PURCHASE ORDERS MUST BE SENT TO DELIVERING DEALER: PrairieLand Partners, LLC 2701 North State Iola, KS 66749 620-365-2187 plpjd@plpjd.com
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Quote Summary

Prepared For: ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS 1 N WASHINGTON AVE IOLA, KS 66749 Business: 620-365-1422 kriebel@allencounty.org	Delivering Dealer: PrairieLand Partners, LLC Robert Storrer 2701 North State Iola, KS 66749 Phone: 620-365-2187 rstorrer@plpjd.com
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Quote ID: 28152169
Created On: 01 February 2023
Last Modified On: 02 February 2023
Expiration Date: 28 February 2023

Equipment Summary	Selling Price	Qty	Extended
JOHN DEERE FC15R Flex Wing Rotary Cutter	\$ 28,867.84 X	1 =	\$ 28,867.84
Contract: Sourcewell Ag Tractors 110719-JDC (PG 1P CG 70)			
Price Effective Date:			
Equipment Total			\$ 28,867.84

* Includes Fees and Non-contract items	Quote Summary	
	Equipment Total	\$ 28,867.84
	Trade In	
	SubTotal	\$ 28,867.84
	Est. Service	\$ 0.00
	Agreement Tax	
	Total	\$ 28,867.84
	Down Payment	(0.00)
	Rental Applied	(0.00)
	Balance Due	\$ 28,867.84

Bush Hog has a 10' flex wing for \$25,782.60 and a 15' flex wing for \$29,937.80, and is looking at an availability date in August. John Deere has a 10' flex wing for \$23,796.36 and a 15' flex wing for \$28,867.84, with the mowers being available now. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the bids from John Deere for both the 10' and 15' flex wings. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark presented bids for new fuel tanks from Broyles Petroleum Equipment \$81,759.82 & PB Hoidale Co \$82,805.77.

	Broyles Petroleum Equipment Co. 1303 North 9th Humboldt, KS 66748 (620) 473-3835		Job Quote	
			PEI Number: 3086 Quote Date: 11/21/2022 3:28:25PM	
Bill to: Allen County 1 N. Washington Iola, KS 66749	Service at: Allen County Public Works 1309 S. Washington Iola, KS 66749			

Description: Install 15k and 20 k Tank and Card System **Customer ID:** 60

Items	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
Card Master Report Software	1.00		\$1,115.00	\$1,115.00
Card Master Fuel Controller	1.00		\$3,785.00	\$3,785.00
Card Master Mounting Pedestal	1.00		\$575.00	\$575.00
Internet Cellular 4G Modem Kit	1.00		\$2,060.00	\$2,060.00
Annual Service Contract	1.00		\$235.00	\$235.00
Encoded Mag Stripe Card	100.00		\$3.95	\$395.00
15000 Tank Vertical	1.00		\$24,967.00	\$24,967.00
20000 Tank Vertical	1.00		\$30,273.00	\$30,273.00
Freight - In bound	2.00		\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00
354-0200AV Vent Cap 2.00	2.00	Each	\$29.65	\$59.30
EL9 B 2.00 Elbow 90 Blk 2.00	6.00	Each	\$17.52	\$105.12
UNI B 2.00 Union Blk 2.00 #150	4.00	Each	\$32.60	\$130.40
Crane	1.00		\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
Installation	1.00		\$9,480.00	\$9,480.00
Trip Charge	4.00		\$25.00	\$100.00
Subtotal:				\$81,759.82
Sales Tax:				\$0.00
Quote Amount:				\$81,759.82

Additional Details:



QUOTATION & CONTRACT

PB HOIDALE CO., INC.
WICHITA OFFICE
3737 West Harry - 67213
PO Box 12104
Wichita, KS 67277-2104

Page 1 of 4
No. 1161304

Phone: (316) 942-1361
Fax: (316) 942-0653

Proposal Submitted to:

Date: 01/30/23

Allen County Public Works
1 N Washington Ave
Iola, KS 66749-2802

Allen County Public Works
Job Location: 1309 S Washington Ave
Iola, KS 66749-4313

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Equipment, See "Equipment List"	\$ 67,080.27
Installation, See "Scope of Work"	\$ 15,288.00
Incoming Freight on Major Equipment	\$ 437.50

TOTAL	\$ 82,805.77
	PLUS TAX AND FREIGHT

Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid from Broyles Petroleum Equipment for \$81,759.82. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Larry Crawford, Fair board member, reported on the vandalism that occurred at the fairgrounds. Placing cameras and a security light has been discussed by the fair board. Discussion followed.

Larry presented the 2022 annual report for the fair board. Larry discussed how they distribute the monies received from Allen County. Discussion followed.

Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, presented a bid from Postalocity to mail out valuation notices for \$5,560.27

Postalocity Advance Job Estimate for Prepayment

NAME OF MAILING: 2023 Real Estate Change of Value Notices
 APPROXIMATE MAIL DATE: On or before March 1, 2023
 YOUR ACCOUNT ID: 867

ALLEN COUNTY APPRAISER
 1 N WASHINGTON AVE
 IOLA KS 66749-2802

BASED ON DATA FROM POSTALOCITY HISTORY:
 Job ID 309474 (03/01/2022)

ESTIMATE GENERATED
 01/18/2023

PROCESSING COMMENTS:
 Confirm your preference to use Document ID zone to search for and pull all "Class U" properties. Pre-printed ROUND DATE is off by default (not required). If you have a state-granted extension, we are happy to mail your CVNs after March 1st.

MATERIAL TYPE	SELECTIONS	COUNTS
8.5x11 Paper	Plain	10,766
Remittance Envelopes	No	

OTHER SETTINGS

PRINTING
 Black Duplex

OPTIONAL ARCHIVE
 Online 18 Month
 \$15.00

USPS Postage (Based on 01/22/2023 rates) + \$3,318.99
 Materials & Services (Support, QA, print, prep, mail) + \$3,276.64
 Kansas Counties - Discount on Materials & Services - \$1,035.36

TOTAL SHEETS 10,766
 TOTAL PIECES 5,752

SUBTOTALS

ESTIMATED TOTAL
\$5,560.27

Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid of \$5,560.27 from Postalocity. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed a bids for a new server from Advantage Computer for \$14,984.00 and Higher Calling Technologies for \$20,150.00.

Advantage Computer
 PO Box 385
 Iola, KS 66749
 Phone: (620) 365-5156
 Fax: (620) 365-7980
 www.ac-js.com



Quote
 No.: **46682**
 Date: 12/12/2022

Prepared for:
 Shannon Patterson
Allen County Courthouse
 1 N Washington
 Iola, KS 66749 USA

Acct ID: 1407
 Phone: (620) 365-1407
 Fax: (620) 365-1441

Quantity	Item ID	Description	UOM	Discount	Sell	Total
REPLACEMENT COURTHOUSE SERVER						
1	SYSA6811-RM	Server Epyc 7002 16C/32T 64GB 6TB 2.5" 960GB SSD 2U 800W Rackmount Pool Warranty included *****3 Year Hardware Warranty*****	EA	\$0.00	\$8,374.00	\$8,374.00
1.00	Misc. Supplies	Windows Server Licensing & User CALs <i>2022/2019</i>	EA	\$0.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00
2	DRV35129	Seagate External HD 5TB USB 3.0	EA	\$0.00	\$155.00	\$310.00
1.00	Labor	Configuration and Setup	EA	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

---QUOTE NOTES---
 ***Current server is licensed with 2016 SQL and not supported with Server 2022. Server 2019 can be installed to work with SQL 2016.
 ***SQL 2016 expires 7/14/2026 so an upgrade will be needed BEFORE that day.
 ***SQL 2019 is estimated at \$17,500 and is not included in this quote. SQL is needed to run CIC software.

Your Price: **\$14,984.00**
 Total: **\$14,984.00**



1816 Broadway in Downtown Parsons, KS 67357

(620) 421-6747

Allen County Clerk
 1 N Washington Ave
 Iola, KS 66749

QUOTE

Date	Estimate #
2/3/2023	6274

Please use this Quote # **6274** as your INVOICE to pay from when placing your order.

**** Orders will be placed upon your request & full payment ****
Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8-5

Qty	Description	Total
1	SERVER HARDWARE HP ProLiant DL385 Gen11 Server - Main Features * Rack Server 2U SFF * AMD EPYC 9124 16-Core (2.7GHz 64MB) * RAM 64 GB DDR5 * Smart Array MR408i-o Raid Controller * 8 x 960GB Enterprise SSD 2.5" (7 x Raid5 w/ 1 x Hot-Spare) - approx 5.7TB Total Usable Storage * 2 x 10 Gigabit SFP+ Ports * 4 x 1GB Ethernet Ports * 2 x 800W Power Supplies (Redundant)	14,800.00
1	HPE Pointnext Tech Care Basic - 3 Year Extended Hardware Warranty	2,500.00
1	HPE ROK Microsoft Windows Server Standard 2022 (16-Core License) with 30 x Microsoft Windows Server User CALs (Downgrade to Windows Server 2019 Available as Needed)	2,800.00
2	Seagate 5TB External Hard Drive HDD - USB 3.0 - \$125/ea * Basic Server Hardware Build, Base Operating System Installation and Delivery is Included. No other service, such as, network & rack installation of server, custom configuration, software installation, data migration, etc. are included. ** Pricing is based on the limited specs provided. An on-site visit would be needed before purchase and the final cost could change significantly based on the details of that visit. *** Additional services may be available for a fee, please contact us for more information.	250.00
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY IN PROVIDING THIS QUOTE!		
This Estimate is for the price of PARTS Only. Labor to install these parts may be listed as an ESTIMATED line-item on this quote - However, all labor is an ESTIMATED AMOUNT. ONLY- ACTUAL TIME WILL BE BILLED AFTER INSTALLATION.		Subtotal \$20,150.00
This quote is valid for 7 days as our vendor's prices change daily.		Sales Tax (9.25%) \$0.00
		Total \$20,150.00

Commissioner Symes moved to accept the bid from Advantage Computers for \$14,984.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

John Leahy, Thrive Allen County discussed the proposed legislation to donate Lehigh Portland Trails and lake to the State of Kansas to become a state park and the letters of support they are requesting. Discussion followed. Tentative hearing date is February 14, 2023. Letters of support would need to be submitted by Friday, February 10, 2023.

7 February 2023

Rep. Ken Rahjes, Chairman
House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee
Kansas State Capital
300 SW 10th St.
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Chairman Rahjes and Members of the House Committee of Agriculture and Natural Resources:

The Allen County Commissioners support the proposed Lehigh Portland State Park.

Allen County has experienced increased tourism from the existing Rail Trail systems. We believe that turning the Lehigh Portland area into a state park, and with its connection to the Rail Trails, local and regional economies will benefit. Additionally, like many counties in the Midwest, Allen County has struggled with population loss. This park will be a catalyst for reversing that trend.

Lehigh Portland State Park would be a safe and beautiful place for families to gather for recreation. What a quality-of-life enhancer it would be for all that use it.

The proposed Lehigh Portland State Park, with its 360 acres of water, diverse landscape, and connection to the existing Rail Trails system, would benefit Allen Countians, Kansans, and all who use it for many years into the future.

Respectfully,

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve a letter of support for the Lehigh Portland State Park. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney-Client on courthouse security. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:26 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Judge Daniel Creitz and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:36 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney-Client on courthouse security. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:39 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:44 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to approve payment of an invoice from Feuerborn Family Funeral Service for \$1,000.00 for direct cremation of an indigen resident of Allen County. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:55 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:10 a.m. No action taken.

Allen County Commissioners presented a statement about EMS services.

Feb. 7, 2023

From the Allen County Commission to residents of Allen County:

Allen County WILL have ambulance service come Aug. 1, 2023.

This assurance to our county's residents may seem unnecessary and somewhat odd, but the Allen County Commission takes its statutory requirement to provide for the health and safety of its residents most seriously. And as the City of Iola, with whom Allen County now contracts to provide personnel and administration of our countywide ambulance service, has notified the County that it will terminate that contract in six months, we commissioners feel it necessary to give this assurance and let residents know we are actively pursuing seamless provision of top-notch ambulance service for their future.

A bit of history might be helpful to put the ambulance situation in perspective.

The county-city ambulance agreement was due for renegotiation in 2020, but since the nation was in the midst of the pandemic, both entities agreed to extend the contract by a year since we had plenty of other things on our agendas. Cost to the county, which has bought the ambulances and much of the equipment in them, per the contract, as well as recently invested in ambulance stations at Humboldt and Moran, was about \$1.1 million at the time for the City of Iola to pay personnel to staff the ambulances and administer the service. The first renewal offer from Iola was \$1.4 million for the ensuing five years.

Allen County, having some concerns with the service as it had been administered, specifically availability of ambulances when needed and the necessity of ambulances to provide transfers of patients from Allen County Regional Hospital when medical professionals deemed them necessary, prompted commissioners to consider alternative providers. American Medical Response (AMR) gave the county a proposal and a majority of the County Commission voted to contract with AMR.

A stipulation of its service provision model for Allen County was for AMR to be able to recruit emergency medical service personnel from the Iola Fire Department/EMS for staffing AMR's service in Allen County, and, at that time in 2021, the company was not confident that it could do so. As a result, it removed itself from consideration for an agreement with the county.

Allen County returned to negotiations with the City of Iola, which had proposed a new agreement at a cost of about \$1.65 million. The county received assurance from the city regarding transfers and other concerns it had, and a majority of the County Commission voted in January 2022 to start a new five-year agreement with the City of Iola. The new contract, approved in good faith by the

County Commission, provided for an inflation allowance (Consumer Price Index) increase for each of the five years of the agreement, and this year Allen County began paying the city about \$1.69 million with the inflation increase.

The City of Iola notified Allen County Jan. 23 of this year, just a little more than a year after the contract was approved, that it was pulling out of the agreement, effective Aug. 1. Administrators have said publicly at City Commission meetings that costs of operating the ambulance service make it impossible to continue in the agreement and have indicated that a new agreement with Allen County, at an increased cost of \$250,000 and decreased service requirements – for instance, Basic Life Support personnel on board ambulances rather than Advanced Life Support certified EMS providers – would be entertained for continuing the arrangement Aug. 1 and thereafter. Therefore, the city of Iola's new proposal is for a total of \$1.94 million dollars with a decrease in the level of patient care service from the existing Advanced Life Support (ALS) to Basic Life Support (BLS) level.

The Allen County Commission is committed to providing the best ambulance service possible at a cost to all Allen County's residents which is responsible and justifiable. The County entered into the 2022 agreement in good faith, with the intention of being good stewards of taxpayer dollars while benefiting the City of Iola and its residents along with all other county residents by sharing ambulance service provisions and costs. The city's notification earlier this year makes it necessary for Allen County to once again look at alternative arrangements for its countywide ambulance service. The County Commission is doing so, earnestly and with urgent purpose necessitated by the City of Iola's decision, to ensure that Allen County's residents can be confident of no interruption in service, prudent management of costs and insistence on the best service possible.

Most sincerely,

(Names/signatures)

Three handwritten signatures in blue ink. The first signature is partially obscured by the text "(Names/signatures)". The second signature is clearly legible as "Brenda Symer". The third signature is less legible but appears to be "John".

Discussion followed. To reiterate, there will be ambulance service for Allen County.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Email from Lisse Regehr regarding Lehigh Portland State Park
- b) Dinner invitation for Iola Area Chamber of Commerce annual dinner
- c) Hope Unlimited grant payment remittance
- d) Annual reports for Fire District #2 City of Iola, Humboldt Township, Osage Township, Elsmore Township, Fire District #3
- e) January 2023 monthly reports from the Treasurer, Public Works, County Clerk, Register of Deeds, Attorney
- f) Inventory of Moran Senior Center and District Court
- g) Federal Award Information for SP-1300-23 035231146
- h) Fund Status Report for January 2023
- i) Solid Waste Trust financial reports for 2022 and January 2023
- j) Adds – PP, Value 608, \$97.50, Year 2022
- k) Escapes – PP, Value 1073, \$171.92, Year 2021

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$266,167.06
- b) Payroll – Process Service for Brenda Beth, Travis Buck, Daren Kellerman, Dathan McMurtrey, Tyler Powelson, Steve Womack, Haley Donovan
- c) Clerks Journal Entries - #3, #4
- d) Abatements - PP, Value 14,246, \$2167.16, Year 2022
TR, Value 21, \$3.00, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. until Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

February 14, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Carl Slaugh, citizen, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on February 7, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, presented the 2023 management plan for the Noxious Weed department for the commissioners' signatures. This plan was presented previously and was accepted.

Mitch presented the herbicide disbursement summary for the commissioners' signatures.

Mitch reported Kevin Turner, noxious weed employee, will be attending the week-long directors course the first week of March. Discussion followed.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy joined the meeting.

Chairman Lee asked Mitch about the start of work on the new landfill cell. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported they have been patching pot holes. He will be needing to go to Kansas City to get more oil.

Chairman Lee asked Mark how the moving of equipment was going at the quarry. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked Mark about blading of the roads. Discussion followed.

Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, presented the 2022 Year in Review for Economic Development. Thrive has interviewed 2 candidates to fill the vacancy created by Jonathon Goering's departure.

In 2022 Thrive applied for 28 community grants and 23 of those were awarded.

During 2021 and 2022 Atlas Community Studios completed an economic development methodology study; and they found that job opportunities exist in Allen County, but the labor pool falls short of meeting employer demand.

Examples of the projects that Thrive worked on would be the Allen County Airport Building a Stronger Economy (BASE) grant, Airport Layout Plan (ALP), KDOT grant to cover repairs and painting of the runway, FAA grant for new lighting at airport, bringing the American Flight Museum to Allen County, Moderate Income Housing (MIH) grant.

Lisse stated that economic development never rests. They have several projects that will remain at the forefront of Thrive's efforts in 2023.

Chairman Lee asked about the commuting of employees from other counties. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked Lisse about the community discussions Thrive has hosted. Carlyle will be later this month.

Commissioner Daniels moved to accept a request to shred the 2018 claim vouchers, 2018 added and abated taxes, 2018 daily statements, 2018 check register, 2018 motor vehicle daily audits per the Local Government Records Management Manual. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to sign the letter of support for the funding of the 5310 General Transportation Services provided by Thrive Allen County.

ALLEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE
County Commissioners

Jerry Daniels, 1st District
1 N. Washington
Iola, KS 66749

David E. Lee, 2nd District

Bruce Symes, 3rd District
620-365-1406
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January 17, 2023

Kansas Department of Transportation
700 SW Harrison St, 2nd floor
Topeka, KS 66603

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to show Allen County government's support for Thrive Allen County's public transportation and 5310 services. Without Thrive, these services would not exist for our community and many residents would not have transportation to the grocery store, work, health care, and more. Thank you for your support of our transportation program.

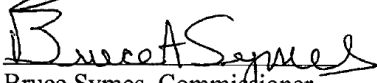
Sincerely,



David E. Lee, Chairman



Jerry Daniels, Commissioner



Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to sign an agreement for services from Tri-Valley development.

TriValley Developmental Services

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 1st day of January by and between the Board of County Commissioners of ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS, hereinafter called Commissioners and TRI-VALLEY DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC., hereinafter called "CDDO."

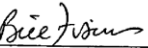
WHEREAS, the Commissioners are desirous of providing services for the residents with intellectual disability of the County and of levying a tax providing such services, but have determined that it is more practicable to contract with a non-profit corporation for such services for the residents with intellectual disability of said county as provided by K.S.A. 19-4007(a), and

WHEREAS, the CDDO is a non-profit corporation, licensed by the State Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services in accordance with K.A.R. 30-64 and is capable of providing oversight for individuals with intellectual disability.

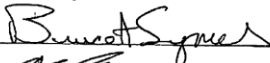
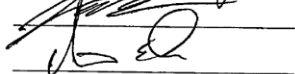
NOW THEREFORE, the Commissioners contract for services as enumerated in 3. Below, for the residents with intellectual disability of said county with CDDO and CDDO agrees to supply said services upon the following terms and conditions:

1. **Term** The term of this agreement shall be for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023.
2. **Consideration** The Commissioners agree to levy taxed upon all the taxable tangible property in the County as provided by K.S.A. 19-4004 for the purpose of providing revenue to pay for services for the residents with intellectual disability of said county. Upon receipt of such tax money, the Commissioners shall pay the amount budgeted or actually received (whichever is less) to the CDDO and the CDDO is authorized to receive and expend such moneys to provide services for residents with intellectual disability of said county. Payments of tax money collected are to be made quarterly. The amount to be budgeted for 2023 is \$70,000.00.
3. **Services** The services to be provided are Day Activity, Employment Services, Community Living, Respite Care, Case Management, Administrative, Support and Transportation Services.
4. **Reports** Service Provider shall annually provide the Commissioners with a Certified Public Audit report showing the amount of fees collected, the amount of money received under said contract, and any other income, and showing further the disbursements, including salaries by the CDDO
5. **Liability** CDDO agrees to indemnify and hold the Commissioners harmless from any and all claims arising out of CDDO operations and activities.
6. **Funding** The Commissioners reserve the right to alter or adjust the payment amount to meet funding reductions by sending a written notice to CDDO fourteen days in advance of said alteration or adjustment.

TRI-VALLEY DEVELOPMENTAL
SERVICES, INC.
CDDO

By: 
Bill Fiscus
CEO

COMMISSIONERS
Board of County Commissioners
ALLEN County

Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Stephen Euston & Joe Holdenried, Bukaty Companies, joined the meeting.

Stephen & Joe presented updated information for health insurance and dental insurance renewal. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the renewal from Blue Cross Blue Shield for health insurance and to accept the bids from Guardian for dental, vision, life insurance, and short-term disability insurance. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee reported that the employees' wellness blood draws are this Thursday, February 16, 2023.

Chairman Lee reported on an opportunity to participate in a "SWOT" meeting that could be held at the college. It would focus on discussions on strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:02 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:17 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) January Monthly report from District Court & Noxious Weed Dept
- b) Inventory from Attorney's office, & County Clerk's office

- c) Escapes: PP, Value 834, \$133.32, year 2021
- d) Adds: PP, Value 770, \$123.02, year 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$120,827.84
- b) Abatements: RE, Value 4433, \$1006.64, year 2022
TR, Value 2195, \$355.06, year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. until Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

February 21, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Bruce Symes, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Manager, Chelsie Angleton, Allen County 911 Communications Director, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Nicholas Lohman, Hope Unlimited Capital Campaign, Donita Garner, Hope Unlimited, Dorothy Sparks, Hope Unlimited, Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the February 14, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Nicholas Lohman, Hope Unlimited Capital Campaign, reported that Hope Unlimited currently has a shelter that houses 16 beds. During the Covid-19 pandemic they realized there was not enough room to house the 16 beds and still have social distancing. The current location is not ADA compliant. Hope Unlimited is asking for 10% of the total capital they need to raise (\$300,000 out of \$3,000,000 total) divided up between the 4 counties served by Hope Unlimited, by population. Out of Allen, Anderson, Neosho and Woodson counties, Allen County has 31.9% of the population so the amount we would contribute would need to be \$95,700.00. They will be applying for grants, but 10% would be the match amount. Discussion followed.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, presented an emailing stating that two projects submitted for the airport were picked for funding. Replacement of the Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) for \$153,000.00 and the rehabilitation of the parallel taxiway for \$157,500.00. It will be a 10% match grant.

Chairman Lee asked about the new cell project. How is the moving of equipment and rock going? Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee verified that the spraying of noxious weeds will be started in the coming weeks. Mitch stated that yes, they will begin in March.

Daren Booth, Theel Insurance, joined the meeting.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented dust control bids.

**DUST CONTROL PROPOSALS
February 21, 2023**

Company	Mag Chloride	35% Calcium Chloride	Remarks
Scotwood Industries Overland Park, KS	\$ 1.37 gal.	\$ 1.58gal.	2 hrs. free spray time then \$ 125.00 per hour.

Proposals opened at 9 a.m. on February 17, 2022 in the Director of Public Works Office. Present were Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director & Kim Riebel, Public Works.

Last year Mag Chloride cost was \$1.21per gallon with 2 hour free then \$ 125.00 per hour.

Last year: Cost charged to residents was \$1.80 per foot.

Suggested rate to residents \$ 2.37 per foot.

Scotwood Industries was the only company to bid. Their bid was for \$1.37 per gallon for Mag Chloride and \$1.58 per gallon for 35% Calcium Chloride. Discussion followed on the proposal for charging rates for 2023. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the bid from Scotwood Industries as well as the rate proposal. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark presented asphalt oil bids.

**ASPHALT OIL PROPOSALS
February 21, 2023**

COMPANY	RS-1H	AEP	RS1M	RS1P	MC-800	SS1H	Pump Charge	Demurrage	Remarks
ERGON Asphalt & Emulsions Kansas City, KS	\$2.57 per gallon Delivered price.	\$3.10 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.79 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.82 per gallon Delivered price.	No Bid	\$2.57 per gallon Delivered price.	\$100.00 If requested.	\$100.00 per hour after 2 hrs of free unloading time.	No moving charge.
Vance Brothers Kansas City, MO	\$2.28 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.73 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.38 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.48 per gallon Delivered price.	\$3.63 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.68 per gallon Delivered price.	\$100.00 If requested.	\$70.00 per hour after 2 hrs of free unloading time.	
Asphalt & Fuel Supply Tulsa, OK	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$3.33 per gallon Delivered price.	No Bid		\$75.00 per hour after 2 hrs of free unloading time.	48 hr Lead Time, if possible.
Coastal Energy Willow Springs, MO	\$2.53 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.65 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.85 per gallon Delivered price.	\$3.15 per gallon Delivered price.	\$3.55 per gallon Delivered price.	\$2.54 per gallon Delivered price.	\$125.00 If requested.	\$100.00 per hour after 2 hrs of free unloading time.	
Wright Asphalt Dodge City, KS	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid			

Proposals opened at 9 a.m. on February 17, 2023 in the Director of Public Works Office. Present were Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, & Kim Riebel, Public Works.

LAST YEAR'S PRICES 2021

COST RS1H	COST RS-1M	COST AEP	COST MC-800
\$2.060	\$2.210	\$2.39	\$2.55

Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Vance Brothers. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners asked Mark about the crusher and making road rock or rock chips for chip seal projects. Discussion followed.

Mark stated that he would like to focus on districts when it comes to chip sealing the roads. Roads in the other districts would still get worked, they will use the pot hole patcher on them. Discussion followed.

Daren Booth, Theel Insurance, presented information on what a fully funded plan would look like for health insurance. Theel Insurance partners with Freedom Claims to shop the insurance carriers. Discussion followed.

Joyce Adair, Iola Seniors Inc, presented the building permit for the new structure being built at the N. State Senior building. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson II, County Counselor, updated the commissioners on the proposed contract from Crossland Construction for the courthouse expansion. Discussion followed.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported that he received the Emergency Management PG grant that covers a portion of his wages, \$26,000.

Bruce reported on the NextEra public hearing on March 1 at the Iola High School beginning at 6 pm. They will be hosting a meet and greet at 3 pm.

Bruce asked about the tax sale. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:00 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:10 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Financial reports for Hospital Facilities Board submitted by Larry Peterson
- b) Coordinated Transit District 10, Meeting minutes from November 16, 2022
- c) January monthly reports from Appraiser's office & Sheriff's office
- d) Adds – TR Value 1353, \$196.80, Year 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$142,447.98
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 5
- c) Payroll – Vacation carryover for Don Solander of 64 hours to be used by 8/9/2023
- d) Payroll – Mileage reimbursements for Bruce Symes & David Lee
- e) Abatements - PP Value 3705, \$528.96, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m. until Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Jill Allen, Deputy Allen County Clerk.

Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, Allen County Treasurer, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Bill Delich, Bettis Asphalt, Jason Jenkins, Global Medical Response (GMR), Tony Raboin, GMR, Craig Isom, GMR, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on February 21, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment; there was none.

Darolyn Maley, Treasurer, presented Resolution 202302 A Policy on Voiding Outstanding Checks.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 202302

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY VOIDING CERTAIN OUTSTANDING CHECKS ISSUED BY THE COUNTY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

WHEREAS, that at the end of each County fiscal year, all outstanding checks out of the Treasurer's "Daily Deposit Account" have been issued more than eighteen (18) months previously and in an amount of less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be void and the obligated funds shall be credited to the County General Fund.

WHEREAS, the "Daily Deposit Account" is identified as the account into which the Treasurer deposits collected funds of the County on a daily basis and from which checks are drawn for various obligations that are not processed through the County Clerk as "Accounts Payable".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following policy shall be adopted, to-wit:

WHEREAS, that at the end of each County fiscal year, all outstanding checks out of the "Accounts Payable" account having been issued more than eighteen (18) months previously and in an amount less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) shall be void and the funds from each voided check be credited back to the County fund from which it was originally drawn.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this 28th day of February, 2023.

Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve Resolution 202302 A Policy on Voiding Outstanding Checks. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported there will be a meeting at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 2, for the new landfill cell. There are 4 wells still needing capped before the liner can be placed. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that the noxious weed truck has been switched over and ready for spraying. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported he sent out for bids for overlay. Bettis Asphalt was the only company to bid. The two areas bid out were County Club Heights and 1400 Rd. This is more just informational at this time and no decision has to be made today. Mark recommends to go with County Club Heights first and to budget for 1400 later on. Discussion followed. Commissioners requested to have Mark bring this back in a couple weeks with prioritization of projects that could possibly be taken care of at the same time.

Mark stated he will be looking for a few season/part-time employees for this summer.

Mark reported the tractors and mowers should be in sometime in March or April.

Jason Jenkins, GMR, stated he is here to answer any questions the commissioners may have about ambulance services. Jason reported their proposal could change if other counties are willing to go into a "joint effort". So far 3 counties are interested in joining forces. GMR offers an air and ground membership program for services. This would mean they could bill the patient's insurance for the trip but the individual would not pay out of pocket. With counties coming together we would be able to share personnel. Commissioner Daniels asked what GMR/AMR's confidence level is that they can staff? Jason stated doing a joint effort like this makes it easier. Discussion followed.

Roberta Sinclair, citizen, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:05 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jason Jenkins, GMR, Tony Raboin, GMR, and Craig Isom, GMR. Commissioners reconvened at 9:15 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:16 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jason Jenkins, GMR, Tony Raboin, GMR, and Craig Isom, GMR. Commissioners reconvened at 9:21 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:23 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jason Jenkins, GMR, Tony Raboin, GMR, and Craig Isom, GMR. Commissioners reconvened at 9:28 a.m. No action taken.

Roberta Sinclair, citizen, reported on a street just west of the old Central Publishing. She owns property at the end of this street and is now landlocked. She is just requesting help getting access to her property. Discussion followed.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, requested on behalf of Brandi Hold, Director of Bands USD 257, to use the bandstand on Monday, April 24, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for their annual practice-a-thon. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve this request. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon requested on behalf of Robin Schallie, Iola Area Chamber of Commerce, to use the bandstand and surrounding lawn on Saturday, April 8, from 10:00 a.m. to noon for their Easter egg hunt. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve this request. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Attorney Client for possible land acquisition. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passes 3-0-0. The time is now 9:42 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:57 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Update on proposed Last Mile Trail route
- b) Inventor from Iola Seniors Inc
- c) Annual report for West Cottage Grove Cemetery

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$115,859.64
- b) Payroll – Enrollment form Bethannie Yarnell
- c) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement Bruce Symes
- d) Abatements - RE Value 5170, \$1073.24, Yr 2022
PP Value 978, \$171.74, Yr 2022
TR Value 380, \$55.28, Yr 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m. until Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 7, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Jill Allen, Deputy Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Management Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on February 28, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, discussed an email regarding airport hangar. He handed out map showing where the museum, FBO & beacon will be located. Commissioner Daniels stated Caleb Coltrane with Garber is working on the numbers.

They are working with Thrive in order to get a grant. The county received base grant, so the museum has to be the non-profit that requests the grant. March 13 is pre-construction meeting with engineers. March 27 will open bids. Commissioner Symes suggested an open house at some point when things are more complete.

Mitch stated July we get KDOT money.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, handed out an agreement for the commission to sign. It has to do with moving some pipeline. Commissioner Daniels moved to sign Agreement relative to performing certain work and/or the occupancy of the county's highway right-a-way by the facilities of a utility, Commissioner Symes seconded. Motion passed 3-0-0

Mark reported on needing a truck & trailer eventually. The pot hole patcher is working really well.

Chairman Lee asked about construction at the landfill. Mitch reported on the plan. Discussion followed.

Jason Trego, Emergency Management, discussed all storm sirens will be activated for weather awareness week. Storm Fury on the Plains will be at the Bowlus next week.

Terry Call, Planning & Zoning, handed out flood maps. He reported on a meeting for such. The landfill was designated as a flood zone. Terry explained, discussion followed. There will be a public meeting maybe in July presented by FEMA regarding the flood zones.

Terry handed out right of way change map and Official request for Right of Way change. B & G Consultants discovered the right of way. Commission Daniels moved Chairman Lee sign the letter, Commissioner Symes seconded, motion carried 3-0-0.

Brenda Sharp, CEO Reach Foundation, Overland Park, introduced herself. Allen County is in their region. She introduced Dick Works, he serves on the BOD. Also present is Judy Works, she served on the BOD for 12 years. Patti Boyd joined the meeting, she is the current appointee. Brenda explained the health conversion. It was Health Midwest. The Attorney General appoints the Allen County member, currently Dick Works. Commissioner Symes asked Brenda about how Allen County became a member. Brenda said it is a choice of each hospital to join or not. Brenda stated the mission of Reach Foundation is to provide & support health care for uninsured & low income. Commissioner Symes asked about the 3.3 million dispersed to Allen County, Brenda explained.

Carla Gibson, VP of Programs at Reach Foundation, spoke to commissioners. She talked about the relationships built with Allen County and other rural areas, re: Rural Health Initiative. Carla explained core operating support within Allen County with Thrive, CHC, SEK Mental Health and Multi-County Health Dept. Brenda passed out the community investment framework sheet.

Patti Boyd reminded commissioners that she is the appointee, so if any needs arise, please contact her.

Commissioner Daniels moved Chairman Lee sign the AIA document, Construction manager contract, Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Judge Creitz & Bob have reviewed it.

Bob discussed the RFQ's; six architect firms, proposals to be in by April 3. Commissioners will review April 4 at 9 am. Judge Creitz and Crossland will attend as well.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:40 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Mark Griffith and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor Commissioners reconvened at 9:50 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:50 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor Commissioners reconvened at 9:55 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:55 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:10 a.m. No action taken

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:10 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners. Commissioners reconvened at 10:20 a.m. No action taken

Chairman Lee shared a request from Hospital facilities board to hire Forvis for \$5500; accounting work. This is the audit of the bond work. Commissioner Daniels moved Chairman Lee sign the Forvis agreement, Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels mentioned engineering alternatives for the trail in Humboldt. Commissioners had received an email regarding this. Chairman Lee wants to wait on this decision. Humboldt will be living with the result of this, so he is reaching out to the Humboldt City council members about it. Discussion followed. Mark asked if the county will have to maintain anything regarding this. Commissioner Daniels stated whatever is on county property will be our maintenance. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept alternative #2, from Wilson & Co, Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Email from Larry Peterson including a draft schedule of bond activity
- b) Fund status report for February 2023
- c) Solid Waste financial report for February 2023
- d) February monthly reports for Attorney's office, Clerk's office, Register of Deed's office, Treasurer's office
- e) Addeds – RE Value 4808, \$935.42, Yr 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$323,332.36 & \$67,170.99
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – #6-7
- c) Abatements - RE Value 876, \$133.32, Yr 2021
RE Value 10,035, \$10,022.08, Yr 2022
PP Value 2601, \$438.36, Yr 2022
TR Value 82, \$12.00, Yr 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m. until Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 14, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Bruce Symes, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Terry Call, Allen County Zoning, Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the March 7, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported on a pre-construction meeting, by telephone, for the new lighting at the airport. Bids received will be opened on March 27th at 1:00 p.m., and Mitch will bring them to the commission on March 28th. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that a part time person for noxious weed will be starting today.

Chairman Lee asked Mitch about the new cell at the landfill. Mitch stated the construction of the new cell should begin March 27th. They have capped the wells already. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels asked about the airport museum project. Chairman Lee read a drafted letter of support needed to apply for the grant. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the letter of support. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented a letter of support for the bike trail coming through Kansas. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the letter of support, with Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, putting it on Commissioners' letterhead. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark reported on available funds from the State of Kansas to help with an overlay project. He would like to put those funds towards the overlay on 1200 Rd. A quote from Bettis Asphalt for this project would be \$430,886.50. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the bid from Bettis for \$430,886.50. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark reported he will bring an updated project list to the commission next week.

Mark stated he will be hiring 2 people for summer help.

Floyd Thompson, City of LaHarpe Days representative, joined the meeting.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, presented a new bid for flooring at the food pantry. This would be for grinding and polishing the existing concrete floor; instead of placing tiles. There is a price increase of \$2000.00 from the original bid. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the additional cost for flooring. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Floyd Thompson, LaHarpe Days representative, requesting \$1000.00 donation for LaHarpe Days. Floyd informed the commissioners what they have scheduled so far for the event. Discussion followed on other events that we contribute and how much has been donated. Commissioners asked to get the figures from the other events before committing to an amount.

Chairman Lee asked about the status of the state park legislation. Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, stated it is out of committee. Discussion followed.

The requested information on donations made to other events was reported to the commission. Commissioner Symes moved to approve a donation of \$1000.00 for LaHarpe Days. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, requested on behalf of Debbie Bearden, Farmer's Market, to use the Southeast corner of the lola Square for weekly Farmer's Market. The begin date will be May 4th and run through October, from 5:05 p.m. to 7:10 p.m. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the request from Debbie Bearden for the Allen County Farmer's Market to use the Southeast corner of the lola Square. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon requested to approve the annual retainer for network and pc labor from Advantage Computers. The quote is for \$1200.00 and then \$75.00 an hour. The price has not changed from last year. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the annual retainer for network and pc labor. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commission Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for land acquisition. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:14 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor by conference call. Commissioners reconvened at 9:24 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Symes moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for land acquisition. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:25 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor by conference call. Commissioners reconvened at 9:35 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:38 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 9:53 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Symes moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:55 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:05 a.m. No action taken.

Mitch reported that Kevin Turner, Noxious Weed Director, passed his director's training he attended last week.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Monthly financial report from District Court and Appraiser's office

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$110,833.77
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 8-14
- c) Payroll – Meal reimbursement for Kevin Turner
- d) Payroll – Process Servers for Brenda Beth, Travis Buck, Haley Donovan, Daren Kellerman, Dathan McMurtrey, Tyler Powelson, Steve Womack
- e) Payroll – Enrollment on Conner Moss
- f) Abatements - RE Value 30,862, \$5853.54, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m. until Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 21, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment; there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported that everything was turned in for the airport museum grant. We should hear something around April 3, 2023.

Mitch reported on possible hanger construction. Discussion followed. Commissioners asked Mitch to get estimates on option 2.

Debbie Bearden, GROW Council, joined the meeting.

Mitch reported that noxious weed department has been selling chemicals.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented bids for a gooseneck trailer.

Goose Neck trailer price list

Allen County R&B

1 North Washington Iola, KS 66749

620-203-0472

Web site URL

Dealer	Trailer	Description	Cost
Rowe Motors Chanute, KS	2023 Gooseneck Tandem Dual trailer	32 ft by 8ft 6inches Ozark trailers	\$15,299.00
Jim trailer sales Topeka, ks	2023 Gooseneck Tandem Dual trailer	32 ft by 8ft 6inches Load trailers	\$15,800.00
Fort Scott Trailers	2023 Gooseneck Tandem Dual trailer	32 ft by 8ft 6inches Diamond T flatbed trailer	\$17,399.00

This trailer would be used to haul pipes. Chairman Lee asked if "brands" mattered between the options. Discussion followed. Mark recommends going with the Ozark trailer. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the bid for the Ozark Trailer from Rowe Motors for \$15,299.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark presented a project list for 2023.

Allen County Road and Bridge projects 2023

PROJECT NAME	2023 Paved road improvement projects		R&B Director	Mark C Griffith		
Miles projected	20 miles					
SCOPE STATEMENT	City and Towns of Allen county					
START DATE	3/15/2023	END DATE	9/29/2023	OVERALL PROGRESS	10%	
MILES	TASK NAME	ASSIGNED TO	START DATE	END DATE	DURATION	STATUS
4	Grinding 1 inch overlay 11/2 inches 1200 AI to CT	Betts Asphalt	WBA	WBA	Na	Na
5	Patch and chip seal 1200 CT to HI	Allen Road and Bridge	WBA	WBA	Na	Na
4	Patch and chip seal 1600 AI to DE	Allen Road and Bridge	WBA	WBA	Na	Na
2	Complete rebuild 800 DE to FL	Allen Road and Bridge	3/27/2023	4/10/2023	10	NA
5	Complete Rebuild WV 4000 to 5000	Allen Road and Bridge	3/15/2023	3/27/2023	8	Na
NA	All Towns in Allen County	Allen Road and Bridge	WBA	WBA	Na	Na
NA	Country Club heights 1 1/2 inch overlay	Betts Asphalt	WBA	WBA	Na	Na
13	Striping of overlays and chip sealed roads	Straight-Line striping	WBA	WBA	Na	Na

Commissioner Symes stated there is some concern about 1400 north of Iola. Mark stated that he will be patching that road. Discussion followed on the projects.

Gary McIntosh, Booth/McIntosh Insurance, Logan Booth, Booth/McIntosh Insurance, Don Doherty Northwestern Mutual and RPS Benefits by Design Inc., joined the meeting.

Gary McIntosh, presented information leading up to insurance discussion.

Don Doherty, Northwestern Mutual and RPS Benefits by Design, informed the commission of his history with insurance. Don discussed what he would like to do for the county. They would analyze our current plan. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte, PSI, joined the meeting.

Roberta Sinclair, citizen, joined the meeting.

Loren Korte, PSI, presented renewal information for property and vehicle insurance. The increase in premiums happened in the coverage for the buildings. The other lines of coverage have stayed pretty steady. Discussion followed.

Debbie Bearden and Robin Lohman, GROW council, requesting the commission to sign Resolution 202303 A Resolution Recognizing Tuesday, March 21, 2023 as National Ag Day.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 202303

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 AS NATIONAL AG DAY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

WHEREAS, On National Agriculture Day, we recognize the unique and irreplaceable value that farmers, ranchers, foresters, farmworkers, and other agricultural stewards have contributed to our Nation's past and present. America's agriculture sector safeguards our Nation's land through sustainable management; ensures the health and safety of animals, plants, and people; provides a safe and abundant food supply; and facilitates opportunities for prosperity and economic development in rural America.

WHEREAS, Over the last year, workers and other leaders across the agriculture sector have stepped up to ensure a stable food supply in the face of incredible challenges. Farmworkers, who have always been vital to our food system, continued to grow, harvest, and package food, often at great personal risk. Local farmers helped to meet their communities' needs by selling food directly to consumers. Small meat processors increased their capacity as demand for their services skyrocketed. Restaurants found creative ways to bring food to members of their communities. Grocers and grocery workers also navigated new models, such as curbside pickup and online sales.

WHEREAS, These collective efforts helped get food to the millions of adults and children in America experiencing nutrition insecurity. Programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children; school meals; and others focused on eliminating nutrition insecurity play an integral role in making sure that every family has enough food on the table.

WHEREAS, Farmers, ranchers, and foresters play a critical role in combating climate change. From sequestering carbon in the soil to producing renewable energy on farms, we will continue to innovate and create new revenue streams for farmers and ranchers while building a resilient agriculture sector.

WHEREAS, Being a coalition of representatives from diverse sectors of the food system, Allen County Growing Rural Opportunities Works (GROW) Food and Farm Council urges the Board of Allen County Commissioners to demonstrate support for the Agricultural Industry by publicly signing this resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Allen County Commissioners that Tuesday, March 21, 2023, be recognized as National Ag Day. We call upon all Allen Countians to join us in recognizing and reaffirming our commitment to and appreciation for our country's farmers, ranchers, foresters, farmworkers, and those who work in the agriculture sector across the Nation.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this 21st day of March, 2023.

Commissioner Symes moved to approve Resolution 202303. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee asked about the Farmer's Market. Discussion followed.

Roberta Sinclair, citizen, asking for help with Manley Street. Counselor Johnson is suggesting to get an easement from Mr. Frank who owns the surrounding property. Then at that point options can be looked at to make the road more accessible. Discussion followed on options.

Chairman Lee reported on a request from Thrive for a letter of support to send to the Kansas State Senate for the proposed Lehigh Portland State Park.
March 21, 2023

Sen. Renee Erickson, Chairwoman
Senate Commerce Committee
Kansas State Capitol
300 SW 10th St.
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Chairwoman Erickson and Members of the Kansas Senate Commerce Committee,

The Allen County Commissioners support the proposed Lehigh Portland State Park.

Allen County has experienced increased tourism from the existing Rail Trail systems. We believe that turning the Lehigh Portland area into a state park, with its connection to the Rail Trails, local and regional economies will benefit. Additionally, like many counties in the Midwest, Allen County has struggled with population loss. This park will be a catalyst for reversing that trend.

Lehigh Portland State Park would be a safe and beautiful place for families to gather for recreation. What a quality-of-life enhancer it would be for all that use it.

The proposed Lehigh Portland State Park, with its 360 acres of water, diverse landscape, and connection to the existing Rail Trails system, would benefit Allen Countians, Kansas, and all who use it for many years into the future.

Commissioner Symes moved to sign the letter of support. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Terry Call, reported on a conversation he had with chief engineer for KCC. March 31 is when he will be making a recommendation to the commission on setbacks for the power line. Discussion followed. Commissioners are asking that Terry reach out to other counties and find out what their thoughts are on it. Chairman Lee will communicate with the effected landowners.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for land acquisition. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:20 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:30 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:32 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:42 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:45 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Terry Call, Zoning Administrator. Commissioners reconvened at 10:55 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Refunding Revenue Bond Series 2013-2 maturity date 2/1/2023
- b) Map provided by Terry Call for Manley Street
- c) February Financial Statements for Hospital Board from Larry Peterson
- d) February monthly report for Noxious Weed Dept

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 3/21/2023-\$72,231.14 & 3/17/2023-\$250,393.10
- b) Payroll – Change form for Kevin Turner
- c) Payroll – Vacation carryover for Ron Holman & Jill Allen
- d) Clerk's Journal Entries - #15

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m. until Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 28, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Management Director, Bryan Murphy, Sheriff, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Darrell Baughn, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meetings on March 14, 2023 and March 21, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported on the opening of bids for the runway. Only one bid was received from Strukel Electric. The total bid is for \$766,350.00 with the following breakdowns: runway lights, wind cone, and vault at \$442,066.00; PAPI lights at \$120,338.00; REILs at \$33,603.00; AWOS at \$170,343.00. Discussion followed. Estimated start would be this fall. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid from Strukel Electric Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch presented a proposal for new fencing at the landfill to help with catching the trash that is blowing out. The thought is to put up 50'-60' fencing. He is working on getting quotes on the pricing; he just wanted to show what he is looking at. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee asked on the progress of the landfill project. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported on 5 miles of Nebraska Rd that will be getting chip sealed with help from the state.

Mark reported they are pulling slabs from the airport. Discussion followed.

Mark reported on a meeting this evening at 6:30 p.m. tonight in Mildred. They will be discussing the road work that will be done in that area.

Mark reported his road and bridge crews will be going to 10-hour days in April.

Jason Trego, Emergency Management, reported on a call that he was on that was reporting high fire danger for Thursday and Friday of this week. Resolution 202304 (title) was presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 202304 ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS
A RESOLUTION INSTITUTING A BURN BAN FOR
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS

WHEREAS, on this 28th day of March, 2023, the Commissioners find that dangerous conditions continue to exist in the unincorporated areas of Allen County, Kansas due to excessively dry and windy weather and that the potential for fires which could cause damage to both persons and property has greatly increased; and

WHEREAS, the current conditions endanger the health, safety and welfare of persons and property within the borders of Allen County, Kansas and that a burn ban should be imposed in the unincorporated areas of Allen County, Kansas until weather conditions change.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas does hereby resolve as follows:

- c) That pursuant to K.S.A. 48-932, a local emergency exists within Allen County, Kansas.
 - d) That the entire unincorporated area of Allen County, Kansas is covered by this resolution.
 - e) That the Board of County Commissioners has all rights and powers to perform such functions as are vested in said Board by and through the provisions of the Kansas Emergency Preparedness Act of 1975.
 - f) That a ban on all open burning, inclusive of any type of controlled burning of grass, brush, weeds, trees, trash or debris as well as campfires and including fireworks within the unincorporated area of Allen County, Kansas shall go in effect at 12:00 midnight on Thursday, March 30, 2023 with the following exceptions:
 - (a). Building, maintaining, attending or using an open fire or campfire in permanent stoves or fireplaces or barbecue grills in developed recreational sites or residential sites.
 - (b). Prescribed burning for crop production or grassland management may only be conducted upon the **written permission of and upon the specific conditions required** by the Allen County Sheriff, Bryan Murphy.
 - g) This burn ban shall remain in effect until 12:00 midnight Saturday, April 1, 2023.
 - h) A violation of this resolution shall constitute a Class A Misdemeanor punishable under the Laws of the State of Kansas, and the Sheriff of Allen County, Kansas his deputies and authorized agents shall have the authority to enforce this resolution and the provisions therein.
7. This Resolution shall be published in the official county newspaper, The Iola Register and in The Humboldt Union.

RESOLVED THIS 28th DAY OF MARCH, 2023.

Darrell Baughn spoke on behalf of the fire ban. He would like to see some repercussions should someone violate the burn ban and the fire departments get dispatched. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the Resolution 202304. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed options on what to look at for repercussions for violating the burn ban.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, presented the Economic Development Service Agreement. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Lee's signature on the agreement. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Robert Johnson, County Counselor, reported that Friday, March 31, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. will be the answer hearing for the tax sale. At this time the judge can order for the sale to happen. Paul Zirjacks, citizen, asked where the sale will happen and if the properties will have the physical address as well. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client for land acquisition. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:12 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road and Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:22 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:24 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:29 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:35 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 9:50 a.m. No action taken.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, joined the meeting.

Chairman Lee moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:52 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 9:57 a.m. No action taken.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, reported that the Register of Deeds project has now been completed. It came in under budget so the remainder of the obligation has been put back into the balance left to be used. Discussion followed on remaining projects to be completed and any future projects being presented.

Commissioner Daniels asked about the application for the airport museum grant. Rachel stated that April 3rd was the first possible date to hear about it.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) February monthly report for Public Works office

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$406,969.84
- b) Payroll –Enrollment for Douglas Smoot
- c) Payroll – Vacation carryover for Marion Wayne Carson, Rikki Witchley
- d) Clerk's Journal Entries – #16, 17, 18
- e) Abatements – RE, Value 5415, \$727.36, year 2022
RE, Value 4940, \$671.40, year 2021
PP, Value 2719, \$467.24, year 2022
Oil, Value 19,631, \$3133.52, year 2022
Oil, Value 297, \$47.06, year 2021

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m. until Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

April 4, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk. Commissioner Jerry Daniels was absent.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Jay Kretzmeier, citizen, Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the March 28, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Jay Kretzmeier presented the commissioners with a new agreement for the rail trail for review. He would like to come back next week to have action taken on it. Discussion followed.

Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, presented information about the projects done at the airport. It outlines what the county's share has been compared to grant payments. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated he does have some employees out picking up trash from the landfill that blew out with the high winds last week.

Judge Daniel Creitz joined the meeting.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported that he has a 2009 track hoe that is in need of repair. Mark also discussed other equipment and their ages, parts not in production any longer. He will present a list of equipment that may need to be replaced soon. Discussion followed.

Mark stated they are out working on West Virginia Rd and Wisconsin road, tearing out and putting rock down. Discussion followed.

Representatives with Hope Unlimited, CASA, KCSL, DCF joined the meeting.

Hope Unlimited presented a proclamation recognizing April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the proclamation. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 2-0-0. Discussion followed on the different agencies present. Commissioners moved outside to plant pinwheels.

Commissioners reconvened after planting the pinwheels.

Judge Daniel Creitz reported on the request for proposals sent out for architectural services for the courtroom expansion project. Gravity Works was the only company that submitted a proposal. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee discussed two letters of support needed by The Growing Place in Humboldt. They are going for two grants needed to expand. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the letters of support for the Growing Place. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Robert Johnson, County Counselor, presented a new lease for the medical arts building. Saint Luke's Hospital will leave a portion of the Medical Arts Building for \$4900 a month. This lease will allow the hospital facilities board to lease the remaining rooms to other specialists looking to come to Allen County. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the lease. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported we are in a wind advisory for today.

Jason reported he reached out to surrounding emergency managers to see how they handle individuals burning during burn bans. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson reported that the tax foreclosure sale has been set for June 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. There are approximately 62 parcels up for sale. Discussion followed on the process.

Chairman Lee moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 2-0-0. The time is now 9:30 a.m. Those present will be Chairman Lee, Commissioner Symes and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 9:50 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Letter of Support for Saint Luke's Hospital
- b) ESG Grant payment remit for FFY2022
- c) KDHE Update on Tank Permits
- d) March monthly report for County Clerk, Register of Deeds

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$160,911.76
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 19 & 20
- c) Payroll – Enrollments for Eula Hutton, Rhea Johnson, Earl Valentine
- d) Payroll – mileage reimbursement for Shannon Patterson

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 2-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m. until Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Absent
Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Craig Isom, AMR/GMR, Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Management, Jeremy Armstrong, Saint Luke's Hospital, Terry Sparks, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on April 4, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment; there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported on estimates for fencing around the landfill. Mitch stated he would like to go out for formal bids for the fencing. Another option would be to build up dirt to block some of that. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that the noxious weed department is out spraying and they have been selling quite a bit of chemical.

Chairman Lee reported on multiple phone calls concerning the trash that has been blown out of the landfill. Discussion followed.

Chuck Apt, Attorney, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:45 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Chuck Apt, Attorney, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 8:50 a.m. No action taken.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported on changes coming from the state when it comes to inspecting bridges. Rated 4 bridges will be getting checked every year. Divers will be needed for water bridges. Discussion followed.

Mark stated they are making progress on West Virginia Rd. The weather has prevented beginning on 2000th St. Mark will be in contact with Bettis to see when they can begin on their projects.

Mark plans to bring pricing for a new track hoe next week.

Mark reported the smaller tractor should be here shortly and the mower will then be attached. The larger tractor should be in middle of June and the mower is ready when it gets here.

Craig Isom, GMR/AMR, presented the commissioners with a contract for review. Craig reported on what is in the contract. This contract is for 911 services only, transfers are not included. Discussion followed.

Carol Olson, ACMAT, joined the meeting.

Carol Olson, ACMAT chair, requesting permission to use the courthouse lawn on June 8, 2023 for the annual Family Safety Night. Carol explained what ACMAT is and the services

they provide. Family Safety Night is free to the public. The event will be from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in conjunction with the farmer's market. They are also trying to bring a food truck in. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the use of the courthouse lawn, with a \$100 donation. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, presented the commissioners with an addendum to the original Moderate-Income Housing (MIH) Grant. Allen County was awarded an additional \$7500.00. Yutzy Construction is working on the outer shell of the house. Campestral is working on the inside features of the house. Discussion followed. Chairman Lee asked what the total cost of this project will be. Rachel will research that. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the addendum to the MIH Grant. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Jay Kretzmeier, Sunflower Rail Trails, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney client, courthouse security. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:17 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:27 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney client, courthouse security. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:28 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:38 a.m. No action taken.

Jay Kretzmeier explained that he is the manager of the Sunflower Rail Trail system. He is requesting the commissioners to approve and sign a management agreement. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the management agreement. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Letter from Allen Community College
- b) Schedule of bond activity for Allen County Regional Hospital
- c) Solid Waste Financial Statement for March 2023
- d) March Fund Status Report
- e) February Monthly report for Sheriff's office
- f) March Monthly reports for Attorney, District Court, Noxious Weed, Public Works, Sheriff, Treasurer

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$161,394.67
- b) Clerk's Journal Entry - #21
- c) Payroll – Enrollments for William Maggard, Johnny Cox
- d) Payroll – Changes for Angela Tatman, Ilya Huddleston, Kayla Garber, Alex Reynolds, Arin Roecker
- e) Payroll – Reimbursement for Cara Bowen
- f) Payroll – Vacation carryover for Debra Ludlum

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m. until Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

April 18, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Craig Isom, AMR, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meetings on April 11, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported on the SPRINT Grant. He will not know until May now on if we are awarded any of the grant.

Mitch wanted to thank Mark Griffith and his crews for coming out and helping pick up trash. They are currently working on getting some trash picked up on the west side from the winds on Saturday. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated that they are still selling quite a bit of chemical.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported they are done with most of West Virginia, should finish it up today. Discussion followed on dust control for the roads that have been torn up.

George Levins, citizen, joined the meeting.

Judge Daniel Creitz and Troy Smith joined the meeting.

Bruce reported on a call he received about a bridge with a pothole on West Virginia. Discussion followed.

Jerry complimented Mark on his work.

Judge Creitz & Troy Smith, Drug Court Director, reported on the \$28,282.59 of Opioid funds that the county has been awarded. Judge Creitz is requesting that these funds be distributed to Drug Court. Troy explained the breakdown on the funds from the Opioid settlement. 25% was sent directly to the County. 75% is then available for grant application. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the Judge's request of \$28,282.59 for drug court. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Robert Johnson reported that we will be getting a contract from the architect soon.

Cameron Carter, Biblesta Committee, joined the meeting.

John Brocker, joined the meeting.

Cameron Carter, Biblesta Committee, requested continued support for Biblesta. He is asking for a donation given to the increased cost to put on the festival. Commissioner Daniels moved to donate 1500 for Biblesta. Symes 3-0-0.

John Brocker, citizen, reported on a study he received on the increase of taxes. He is here to relate this to the ambulance situation. Discussion followed.

Dimity Lowell, lola Seniors Inc, joined the meeting. Dimity reported the building is ready to get the electric put in.

Dimity reported they will be hosting one of the Thursday ice cream socials in conjunction with the city band performance.

George Levins, citizen, came before the commissioners to discuss the trash out at the landfill. He reported on a program when he was a Judge in Allen County. He would have inmates come out to clean up the trash.

Mr. Levins asked how many of the audience had to call for an ambulance. He is concerned with response time if we have to wait for an ambulance from Linn County. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson reported on a request from Jack Bender to clean the head stones at the Evan Young cemetery. Commissioners are okay with Mr. Bender having the head stones cleaned.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client for possible land acquisition and litigation. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:38 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road and Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:48 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:50 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:00 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:03 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Administrator. Commissioners reconvened at 10:18 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:21 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Craig Isom, AMR, and Jason Jenkins, AMR (on conference call). Commissioners reconvened at 10:36 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:37 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Craig Isom, AMR, and Jason Jenkins, AMR (on conference call). Commissioners reconvened at 10:52 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:54 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Craig Isom, AMR, and Jason Jenkins, AMR (on conference call). Commissioners reconvened at 11:04 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to cancel the meeting next week due to the Kansas County Commissioners conference. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moves to approve the services agreement with American Medical Response with contingencies as discussed. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Letter regarding Kansas State Revolving Fund
- b) March Financial Reports for Hospital Facilities Board

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 4/14/2023-\$325,106.86 & 4/17/2023-\$19,459.56

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. until Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 2, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Ron Holman, House & Ground Director, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Carl Slaugh, citizen and Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the April 18, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, reported that Design Mechanical, who services our heat and air, has recommended having a service agreement signed. Currently the county does not have one. This agreement would cover the software running the heat/air, thermostats, and sensors. Discussion followed. Commissioners would like some additional information before coming to a decision.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported they are continuing to pick up trash. He has hired a seasonal employee who will do just trash pick-up. Chairman Lee asked if Mitch was still looking into a new hydro-seeder. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, asked the commissioners about getting bids for a used dump truck. He would still need to get bids but he sent an email about a truck for reference. He stated his looking into a secondary crusher as well so they can make road rock as well as chips. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson reported on a hospital board meeting he attended and he has asked Mark to look at painting new parking lines at the Medical Arts Building.

Commissioner Daniels reported that Becky Stanley is resigning from her position on the Hospital Board. The commission will need to appoint a new member, preferably from the Humboldt area.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client for courthouse security. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:56 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:06 a.m. No action taken.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, joined the meeting.

Rachel presented the commissioners with a letter requesting a deadline extension for the Moderate-Income Housing Grant. This will move the deadline for completion from June 30, 2023 to October 1, 2023. Discussion followed on the need for the extension. Commissioner Symes moved to sign the letter requesting the deadline extension. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Rachel presented an updated ARPA Projects spreadsheet. We do not have any more unobligated funds left in the ARPA fund. The only items left for the tower project is removing the antenna from the old tower. Commissioners asked what is left on the BASE Match project as well. In looking at these numbers it was discovered that we have over obligated, but the monies have not been spent. A decision will need to be made in the future on where the difference will come from. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:30 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 9:45 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee moved to go back into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:45 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:00 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:00 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:10 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:12 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:22 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) April Financial reports from Attorney's office, County Clerk's office, Register of Deeds office, Public Work's department
- b) Email regarding new budget for SEKRJDC
- c) Information on INVEX inventory on demand
- d) Insurance claim from EMC
- e) Thank you letter from Allen County Multi-Agency Team
- f) Kansas Public Notice KS-Q-22-49, Permit M-NE36-0001
- g) Information on Honor Flight

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 4/27/2023-\$341,729.42 & 5/2/2023-\$155,044.34
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 22, 23, 24
- c) Payroll – Enrollment for Jason Garber
- d) Payroll – Changes for Stephen Carnahan, Bryce Andres, John Walker
- e) Payroll – Reimbursements for Cindy Scovill mileage, Bruce Symes mileage & meal, David Lee mileage, Misty Rice district dues
- f) Payroll – Jerry Hathaway Appeal Brief
- g) Payroll – Process Service for T Powelson, C Thompson, T Buck, M Carson, J Thompson, D Kellerman, S Womack, H Donavan, B Beth
- h) Abatements - PP, Value 23, \$2.76, Year 2021
PP, Value 29, \$3.42, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m. until Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 9, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on May 2, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment; there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported the contractors are at the landfill and working on stripping dirt off the old cell site. The utility company has come to mark where the new electric poles will be. They will need to put two new meters on the poles.

Mitch reported the utility company is coming to look at poles that may need taken down near the airport to bring in the museum. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee asked if the pricing has come in for a new hydro seeder. Mitch stated the quotes have not come in yet. Discussion followed on the other options they are looking at and pricing for such.

Commissioner Daniels asked about runway painting. Mitch stated they are waiting until after July 1 to be able to paint taxiway and runway at same time.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported that they are out spraying the roads with the water truck.

Mark reported he spoke with someone on setting up a curriculum for how to train up CDL drivers. If he completes one and it get approved, he would be able to train drivers before they take their CDL testing. Then they would be able to get their hours in with current CDL drivers with the county. Discussion followed.

Mark reported they have poured the bottom section of the bridge at 2000 Rd and North Dakota. That section needs to set before pouring the edges.

Chairman Lee asked about all the equipment that Mark has purchased. Mark stated they should all be coming in soon.

Commissioner Symes asked about an email regarding storage yards for the NextEra Blackberry Transmission Line. Discussion followed.

Sheriff Murphy stated that the gate at the range had been damaged. He stated he may look at putting a camera out there.

Terry Call presented Resolution 202305 A Resolution Amending the Allen County Zoning Regulations to Include Setback Distances for Structures Taller Than 50'.

**RESOLUTION NO. 202305
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ALLEN COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS TO INCLUDE
SETBACK DISTANCES FOR STRUCTURES TALLER THAN 50'**

WHEREAS, the Allen County zoning regulations currently do not make provision for the construction of structures taller than 50 feet; and

WHEREAS, Government's primary responsibility is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS; Structures of greater height are being installed in increasing number; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County desires to provide regulations for the orderly development of any such systems in Allen County; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners as follows:

Effective May 9, 2023, Article 5, Section 5-101(D) shall be amended to include the following language:

(D) Setback requirements. For Districts A and A1 there shall be no structures taller than 50 feet located closer than 1.1 times the height of structure to a road right-of-way:

RESOLVED THIS 9th DAY OF MAY, 2023.

The need for this resolution was brought upon by a proposal for a communications tower that may be in the works. He explained the height and setback requirements they were

looking at. The resolution will be placing the set back at 1.1 times the height of the structure. Commissioner Symes moved to adopt Resolution 202305 A Resolution Amending the Allen County Zoning Regulations to Include Setback Distances for Structures Taller 50'. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for land acquisition. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:52 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:02 a.m. No action taken.

Larry Bartlett, citizen, joined the meeting.

Becky Johnson, Southeast Kansas Multi-County Health Department, joined the meeting.

Becky presented the commissioners with their budget request for 2024. They will be asking for the same amount as last year, \$115,000.00. She explained some of the services they provide. Discussion followed.

Larry Bartlett presented a picture of the ditch directly in front of his house. He is concerned as to why his ditch was sprayed for noxious weed when he does not have any. He spoke with Mitch as well about his concerns. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson, County Counselor, reported that the notice of tax sale has been published. The notice not only has the legal description, but it now contains the street address. Discussion followed.

Terry Call discussed the zoning hearing held on April 27, 2023. Jennifer Chester applied for a zoning change from agricultural to commercial of her 3.3 acres in order to build a drive-thru coffee shop. Steve Strickler was in attendance at this meeting and voiced his concerns with the traffic driving down North Dakota Rd, where his dairy farm is located. Jennifer has since been in contact with Mark Griffith to possibly put up some signs on North Dakota indicating people crossing the road or children playing. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the recommendation of the zoning board to approve the request to change 3.3 acres from agricultural to commercial for the purpose of a drive-thru coffee shop. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:54 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:14 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go back into executive session for 20 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:15 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:35 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee stated the commissioners will be negotiating with the City of Iola on the ambulance contract. The City of Iola has extended their date of ending service to October 1, 2023.

Due to several absences, there will be no meeting on May 16, 2023.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Letter from concerned citizen regarding ambulance service contract
- b) April Solid Waste Financial statement

- c) April Fund Status report
- d) April monthly statement from Noxious Weed Dept & Treasurer's office

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$119,667.96
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries - #25
- c) Payroll – Vacation carryover of 19 hours for Brian Plumlee
- d) Payroll – Enrollment for Ed Foster
- e) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Shannon Patterson
- f) Abatements – RE, Value 2136, \$400.70, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m. until Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 23, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Janie Works, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meetings on May 9, 2023.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy joined the meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Jane Works informed the commissioners of the history of the recycling effort in Allen County. She is requesting that the County help in those efforts. Could the County dedicate an employee or two to work the recycling? Discussion followed.

Kathy Brennon, Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging (SEKAAA), joined the meeting.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported that the runway will be striped June 5th through the 9th.

Mitch presented a quote for the top coat needed at the landfill. He explained the difference between the two types that are being quoted. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the LSC, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch stated the bids for portable fencing is due Friday at 10 a.m.

Commissioner Symes asked how the landfill project is going. Mitch stated it is going good. The hope is that the new cell will be ready beginning of next week.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported on the patching taking place. He stated they are going to the city about every other day to get oil. He is going to check about getting a larger tank to cut back on the trips to the city. This will also keep them working on the roads rather than taking the frequent trips to get oil. Discussion followed.

Mark reported crews are north of town on 1400th Street ripping trees out.

Commissioner Symes asked about the MowerMax and if there will be training. Mark said there will be an individual that stays here to train the employees on the MowerMax when it comes in.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, is requesting to seal the senior center parking lots in lola and Humboldt. They need crack filling and sealed. He contacted Bettis and they referred him to Jack Jeffrey with Asphalt Paving & Sealcoating. This was the only bid he was able to receive as many others do not bid on smaller projects. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid for a total of 12,500.00 for the Humboldt and lola Senior Center parking lots. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Kathy Brennon, SEKAAA Executive Director, presented the commissioners with information on the services they provide. Their funding is from Federal and State funding. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:21 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry McDonald, citizen, Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:31 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:33 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry McDonald, citizen, Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:43 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:47 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:57 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:03 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:18 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:18 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:28 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:29

a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator and Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:39 a.m. No action taken.

The Commissioners will hold a special meeting tomorrow morning at 8:30 a.m. concerning the EMS Contract. The City of Iola will be present for this meeting.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) WATKO Benefit Group letter sent to Commissioner Symes
- b) Drug Court Graduation invitation
- c) April financial statements from District Court & Sheriff's office
- d) Allen County Fair Board financial statements for January, February, March, April
- e) April financial statement and email from Larry Peterson for Hospital
- f) Addeds – PP, Value 1795, \$309.12, Year 2021
PP, Value 1813, \$303.70, Year 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$77,768.44
- b) Payroll – Enrollment form for J.D. Harris
- c) Payroll – Change for David Heiman, Stephanie Vest
- d) Payroll – Mileage Reimbursement for Jill Allen
- e) Clerk's Journal Entries – #26, 27
- f) Abatements – PP, Value 1795, \$309.12, Year 2021
PP, Value 1813, \$303.70, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m. until Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. for a special meeting in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 24, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in a special session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Michael Burnett, EMS Director, Cory Isbell, Iola Fire Chief, Steve French, City of Iola Mayor, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 30 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:32 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, Steve French, City of Iola Mayor, Michael Burnett, EMS Director, and Cory Isbell, Iola Fire Chief. Commissioners reconvened at 9:02 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Symes moved to go into executive session for 30 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:10 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, Steve French, City of Iola Mayor, Michael Burnett, EMS Director, and Cory Isbell, Iola Fire Chief. Commissioners reconvened at 9:40 a.m. No action taken.

Commission Symes moved to go back into executive session for 20 minutes for contract negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:40 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, Steve French, City of Iola Mayor, Michael Burnett, EMS Director, and Cory Isbell, Iola Fire Chief. Commissioners reconvened at 10:00 a.m. No action taken.

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m. until Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 30, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Nicki Gossett, citizen and Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the May 23, 2023 and May 24, 2023 meetings.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, presented bids for portable fences for the landfill. He received three bids. WCS Facilities Management, Inc from Deerfield, FL, 10 fences at \$10,859.31 each and freight of \$5,170 for a total of \$113,763.10. Coastal Netting Systems from Bakerfield, CA, 10 fences at \$7,850 each and freight of \$4,400 for a total of \$82,900.00. LSC Environmental Products from Apalachin, NY, 10 fences at \$7,940 and freight of \$3,300 for a total of \$82,700.00. The fences are 24' wide, 15' high, 8' deep. These would sit on the hill around the trash to help prevent it from escaping that area. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the bid from LSC Environmental Products for to amount of \$82,700. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee asked about the vacuum pumps and hydro-seeder. Those bids have not come in yet.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported the bridge being replaced on 2000th and South Dakota. The deck has been poured and will have to set about a week.

Chuck Apt, Attorney, joined the meeting.

Mark explained about the tree removal on 1400th; these trees were dead and needed to go. Discussion followed.

Mark reported he is looking at alternate solutions for watering the roads. Currently they have a tank in the back of a truck, but another option to look at would be a water truck. This would allow them to pump water out of a nearby creek rather than driving back and forth to fill the tank. The current plan to water roads twice a week if possible.

Mark stated everything on track for the new tractors and the MowerMax. The districts are mowing their own areas now.

Nicki Gossett, President of Elsmore Ruritan Club, requesting a donation towards Elsmore Days. Discussion followed on activities taking place. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve a donation of \$1000 for Elsmore Days. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chuck Apt, Attorney, presented the commissioners with a resignation letter for his Guardian Ad Litem and Adult Misdemeanor contracts, effective at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, 2023. He will be sworn in as Magistrate Judge as of June 1, 2023. Commissioners thanked Mr. Apt for all his work in Allen County. Discussion followed on what his role will be as a Magistrate Judge. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the resignation effective May 31, 2023. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:50 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:05 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:07 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:17 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels stated he has received several phone calls over the last few days over the EMS negotiations. He stated AMR was going to place cameras in the ambulances. Considering recent news of a reported incident, he is questioning how the City of Iola will handle this. Is there a mitigation plan to prevent this issue from happening again? Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the renegotiated contract with the City of Iola. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Summons in a Civil Action

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Journal Entries – #28
- b) Payroll – Change forms for Jeremy Hopkins & Christopher Craft
- c) Payroll – Cell phone reimbursement request for JD Harris

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned

at 9:33 a.m. until Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

June 6, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Cole Herder, City of Humboldt, Katy Vanatta, citizen, Alexandria Gumfory, citizen, Shellie Mueller, citizen, Tom Cannon, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on May 30, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Cole Herder presented the commissioners information about a charging infrastructure terminal. He is requesting a letter of support to apply for an 80% match grant.

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June 6, 2023

CFI Grant Review Committee
Opportunity #693JJ323NF00004
DOT FHWA FY2022 & 2023 Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant
CDFA: 20:205

Dear CFI Grant Review Committee:

The Allen County Commission, Allen County, Kansas, is pleased to provide this letter in support of the Humboldt, Kansas proposal regarding the U.S. Federal Highway Administration Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program. This is in response to Funding Opportunity Number: 693JJ323NF00004.

We are excited about this opportunity to provide much needed electric vehicle charging stations in Humboldt. Due to a shortage of charging stations in Southeast Kansas, this will benefit Humboldt, the surrounding communities in and around Allen County and the region. We believe the charging stations will boost tourism, add jobs and spark local economic development opportunities for Humboldt, Allen County, and its residents. The proposed project by Humboldt to add convenient electric vehicle charging stations to our area will encourage travelers to visit our area and add to the local economy. Additionally, it will provide good-paying construction and maintenance jobs as well as workforce development and training for those building and supporting these charging stations.

This opportunity will allow an underserved rural community, county, and region to take advantage of the many benefits, opportunities, and services the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act was designed and intended for.

We look forward to working with Humboldt to maximize this opportunity.

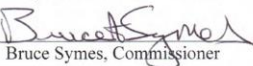
Respectfully,



David E. Lee, Chairman



Jerry Daniels, Commissioner



Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve submitting a letter of support for the City of Humboldt to apply for grant. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Tom Cannon, citizen, reported that his right of way was sprayed by noxious weed and killed some of his plants. He reached out to the noxious weed employee and received an apology. Chairman Lee also gave his apologies and they will be looking into this situation. Mitch Garner is willing to meet with Mr. Cannon to look at his property. Discussion followed.

Katy Vanatta, citizen, came to advocate for the cameras being installed in the ambulance. She is coming forward following the article in the paper about adding cameras in the ambulances. Discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported the runway is closed this week to get the striping completed. They will get the runway prepped this week and then come back next week to do the striping.

Mitch stated the contractor will be resealing taxiway next week. Once that is completed, then it will be getting striped.

Mitch reported that the portable fencing has been ordered and will be here in about 30 days.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported that he has been receiving quite a few calls about the dust control. He has not received the dust control. He is beginning to

research how this can be done in house instead of contracting with this company. Discussion followed.

Mark reported he is still looking into water trucks.

Mark stated the MowerMax should be in at the end of July or first of August.

Mark reported the leased tractors are in and scheduled to be delivered today.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for attorney-client for pending litigation. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:03 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, Allen County Treasurer and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:08 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for attorney-client for pending litigation. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:10 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:15 a.m. No action taken.

Robert Johnson, County Counselor, reminding of tax sale at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday. It will be held at the large courtroom.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Humboldt Chamber Dinner invitation
- b) Claim information from EMC
- c) June 2022 – May 2023 Solid Waste Financial report
- d) May 2023 Solid Waste Financial report
- e) May 2023 Fund Status Report
- f) May 2023 monthly reports from County Clerk, Public Works, Register of Deeds, Treasurer
- g) Escape – SAU, Value 1079, \$153.98, Year 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$270,456.85
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries - #29, 30
- c) Payroll – Enrollments for Seth Pollet, Doug Campbell, Aaron Vaughan, Zachary Ulrich
- d) Payroll – Change forms for Luchia Wildschuetz, Cassidy Bowen, Danielle Louk, Dana Dawn
- e) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Cindy Scovill
- f) Application for Authorized Emergency Vehicle Permit for Marc Waggoner

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m. until Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meetings on June 6, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported the work on the taxiway is underway this week. The runway has been cleaned and ready for painting. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated the litter fences have been delivered and ready to be put together. Mitch was originally told it would be around a month before delivery however he received a call Friday that they would be here Monday.

Mitch stated that he and Robert Poydack, airport manager, will be attending the Kansas Association of Airport Annual Conference in Atchison. This is held Wednesday through Friday.

Chairman Lee asked how the meeting with Mr. Cannon went last week. Mitch stated it went well. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported he received an answer on dust control. They are planning on being here the last week of June.

Mark reported the new mowers and rental tractors were delivered and in use Monday.

Mark stated all the roads that are being worked on will be repainted and the lines will be put back on.

Mark received bids for a track excavator. He would be trading in a 2011 with about 8000 hours. He received bids from Foley cat for a total of \$252,723 with \$45,000 trade in included, John Deere for a total of \$227,301 with \$40,000 trade in included, and Berry Tractor for a total of \$246,376.82 with \$34,000 trade in included. These machines quoted for are a larger machine than the county currently owns. Mark would recommend Foley. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the bid from Foley cat for \$252,723.00. Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Colleen Riebel, Allen County Conservation District, joined the meeting. Colleen presented information for their budget. They are requesting \$45,000, the same as 2023.

Chairman Lee discussed three contracts for Child In Need of Care, Juvenile Defender, and Adult Misdemeanor. Historically, Judge Apt was the only attorney contracted for these; then they would appoint when needed. They are now wanting to contract with 3 practices, Heim Law Offices, Johnson Schowengerdt, and Manbeck Law. The hope is that this will do away with most of the hourly invoices for the appointed attorneys. Judge Creitz and Judge Apt have both approved these contracts. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the contracts with Heim Law Offices, Johnson Schowengerdt, and Manbeck Law; and have Chairman Lee sign. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Counselor Johnson reported there was good attendance for the tax sale. Once the final check of titles has been done, they will petition for finalization of the sale. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Non-Elected Personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:59 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:04 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Non-Elected Personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:05 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:10 a.m. No action taken.

Darren Booth, Theel Insurance, joined the meeting.

Vernell Wright, Globe Life Liberty National, joined the meeting. Vernell came to discuss the worksite advantage plan. He presented the options that Globe Life offers. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes is requesting that Vernell work with the County Clerk and compare benefits that are currently offered. He goal is not to replace what is offered but enhance coverages.

Darren Booth, Theel Insurance, presented information on a Freedom Choice plan. Discussion followed on how Freedom Claims Management Inc handles the policy.

Bill Fiscus, Tri-Valley, joined the meeting. Bill presented the commissioners with minutes from the last year of board meetings. He also presented information on the number of employees and number of individuals receiving services. Tri-Valley is requesting \$70,000 for the 2024 budget. Discussion followed.

Bruce on behalf of ACMAT is asking to reschedule their safety night to this Thursday. The commission is okay with this event rescheduling for Thursday, June 15, 2023.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) May 2023 financial reports for Hospital Facilities Board
- b) March monthly report from Appraiser
- c) April monthly report from Appraiser
- d) May monthly reports from Appraiser, Attorney, District Court, Noxious Weed
- e) Logan Township Annual Report

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - 6/8/23-\$381,421.21 & 6/12-\$58,270.96
- b) Clerk's Journal Entry #31
- c) Payroll – May Process Service for Brenda Beth, Bryce Andres, Steve Womack, Daren Kellerman, John Walker

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m. until Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

June 20, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Daniel Schowengerdt, County Counselor Representative, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the June 13, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Terry Call, Zoning Admin, handed the commission brochures from The Center. They help write ordinances for solar & wind. There is no charge, we can use it or not. It's just a recommendation of what they would do. Terry said they would be writing a solar ordinance for Allen County; we are not obligated to use it.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported on fence at landfill. There were several pieces of equipment broke down last week.

Mitch stated the runway is getting painted. The lights will start around September/October.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported that the bridge at 2000th & South Dakota is done. It is a t-intersection. A stop sign is recommended, one will be placed.

Mark said LaHarpe is getting chip sealed this week.

An email request was received from Moran City Days Committee requesting a donation from Allen County for \$1500.00. Commissioner Symes moved to approve \$1500.00 be donated to Moran City Days Committee, Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$222,794.20
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – #32
- c) Payroll – Reimb for Jerry Daniels, mileage

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 a.m. until Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

June 27, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Manager, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Terry Call, Allen County Zoning Administrator, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Jane Works, Allen County Recycling, Steve Strickler, Allen County Recycling, Terry Sparks, Hospital Facilities Board Representative, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on June 20, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Paul Zirjacks, citizen, feels as though the community needs to help keep the Iola Register going.

Jane Works and Steve Strickler, Allen County Recycling, presented to the commissioners more updated information on the recycling efforts. In 2022 they recycled 244 tons of cardboard and so far in 2023 they have had 135 tons. So far in 2023 they have had 48 bales of office paper, magazines, and newspapers, 16 bales of plastic. Iola Elementary School gets the aluminum cans donated to them. Glass gets put into industrial size dumpsters, two of them are full right now and when the third is full those get taken to Kansas City. Started out recycling just newspapers and now has expanded to all the others listed. Facility is open 24/7. What would help is if a couple employees could work ½ days, 5 days a week, going around the towns picking up totes of cardboard. It would also be dropping of empty totes. Discussion followed. In kind help? Maybe someone can't actually give their time to help with recycling but might be willing to loan out a trailer? Just cardboard pickup and baling is needed at this time. Commissioners are asking for Jane Works to approach the City of Iola as well.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported the runway is painted and opened back up. Once the work is done on the taxiway it will get painted.

Mitch reported they have one of the litter nets assembled and put into place. They are working on getting the rest assembled.

Commissioner Symes asked about trying to intercept the cardboard being brought into the landfill. Mitch stated the majority is mixed in with all the other trash. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, stated he received a call from the company responsible for dust control. They are planning on being here after the 4th of July to put down the dust control. He has spoken to the surrounding counties and they have not had theirs done yet either. Might be worth looking into cost of purchasing our own?

Mark reported the excavator will be at the shop this afternoon.

Mark reported Bettis will begin working on the overlay project late July or early August.

Terry Sparks, Hospital Facilities Board Representative, wanted to thank the commissioners for their support and help with the Medical Arts Building. The north 2/3 of the building is leased to Saint Luke's. The remaining 1/3 is being leased to other entities. There were services in the lease contracts that covered medical supplies, office supplies. Because of the non-profit status of Saint Luke's, they cannot provide the supplies for us. Terry state he will work with Ron to set up a system of ordering the supplies. Discussion followed.

Nicholas Lohman, Hope Unlimited Capital Campaign, updating the commissioners on information that was presented previously. Neosho County and Anderson County have both committed to their shares presented to them. He is asking if the commissioners would be willing to make a commitment to Allen County's share of \$95,700. They just need letters of commitment initially to show for the grant applications. Commissioner Daniels moves to approve the commitment of \$95,700 in support of the Hope Unlimited Capital Campaign, payable within 3 years or less, with final determination during budget discussions. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Jason Trego, southeast Allen County could see the potential of severe weather this evening. The storm system is running from Great Bend to Chanute so we could be on the very edge. Jason also stated that the next couple days heat index is 106 to 108 degrees.

Terry Call, Allen County Zoning Administrator, wanted to give a little information about a request to become an in-network provider for Healthy Blue for ambulance services. Terry stated that you must contract with them or you cannot bill for services. It is something that he did when he worked billing for EMS. Discussion followed.

Terry reported that since last week's meeting, 2 solar companies have approached him. Discussion followed.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, updated on the Humboldt food pantry. Danny Ware should be there this week or next to begin.

Ron asked the commissioners what color of lights they would prefer for the new Christmas Lights for the courthouse. He will be getting them ordered. The idea is red and green to contrast the white around the square.

Commissioner Symes mentioned an email request to work with Kansas Wildlife and Parks on easement at trail head to allow emergency vehicles access to the trails.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:35 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:40 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:41 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:51 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:52 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:12 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:13 a.m.

Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:18 a.m. No action taken.

There will be no meeting next week due to the 4th of July holiday. Next meeting will be July 11, 2023

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Email from Lisse Regehr introducing KDWP's Director Linda Lanterman & attorney Terry Bruce
- b) Request from Healthy Blue to become in-network provider

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$401,425.64
- b) Clerk's Journal Entry # 33
- c) Payroll –Enrollment form for Jaden Hart
- d) Payroll – Change form for Kristin Stotler

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m. until Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

July 11, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Dalton Glasscock, Heartland Area Land Owners, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meetings on June 27, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Dalton Glasscock with Heartland Area Land Owners, introduced himself and the company he represents. They work with landowners on education when solar and wind projects are being talked about for their areas. Discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported that the electric that needs to be buried will cost roughly \$29,000 and it will be done by Heartland Rural Electric. The poles and line need to be buried in order to build new hangars. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee asked about the litter fence. Mitch stated 4 out of the 10 have been assembled and are in place.

Chairman Lee reported on a report of a walnut tree that was damaged by spraying of the noxious weeds. They have done one round of spraying in the county, and now the Johnson grass has come up. They are now going back out and for that. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that his budget for the Airport has gone up slightly. Utilities and phone charges have gone up. He added \$230,000 to budget for the construction of 5 new hangars. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated most of the increase in Noxious Weed was in personnel. The increase will fund the extra part time help to start spraying earlier in the year. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated he increased his engineering fees for the solid waste fund. Other supply and equipment costs have increased so he increased his budget for that. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported dust control is scheduled to be here tomorrow. He has had to reimburse a few people due to the delay. Mark is still looking at a way to be able to do this in house. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee asked about the MowerMax. Mark stated it should be here at the end of the month, last he spoke with the company.

Chairman Lee asked about the new mowers. Mark stated they are working very well.

Commissioner Daniels asked about Bettis and their scheduled to be here. Should be in August.

Mark stated his increase is partially due to trying to schedule in all the paved roads to be re-chipped. Discussion followed.

Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, County Treasurer, joined the meeting.

Judge Daniel Creitz & Dina Morrison joined the meeting.

Dennis Wall, citizen, joined the meeting.

Mark explained he has been trying to add a few more employees to the road crew and he is trying to attract and retain the CDL operators.

Judge Creitz & Dina Morrison presented the courts budget request. Overall, there is a decrease of \$11,919 from last year. Discussion followed.

Crickett Maley, Treasurer, increased her budget in computers and office supplies. Publication costs have increased. Discussion followed.

Misty Rice, Register of Deeds, attributed her increase in budget to training. She does plan to attend training and conference. Discussion followed.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy, stated majority of his increase is in personnel and vehicles. He is hoping to only have to purchase one vehicle next year.

Bryan reported the jail is having some issues with their HVAC system. He had Design Mechanical present a plan to replace the HVAC system. Discussion followed.

Bryan is asking again about changing from KPERS to KP&F. Moving to KP&F might help attract interested individuals. Currently sitting at 5 employees short. Discussion followed. What other benefits could we possibly look at to help attract those individuals. Bryan presented starting pays for surrounding counties for their jail staff.

Commissioner Daniels would like to wait until next week to make a decision on the Design Mechanical quote for the HVAC.

Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, reported her budget for dispatch is showing an overall increase of 2%. She has requested an increase in her part time pay. Her overtime is also increasing as they are short staffed currently. Discussion followed.

Chelsie stated the emergency management budget has a 1.5% overall increase. Discussion followed.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, reported the majority of her increase is personnel and postage.

Shannon stated her election budget increase is due to conducting 3 elections next year. There will be a Presidential Preference Primary in March, Primary Election in August, and the General Election in November. Some of the expense from the Presidential Preference Primary will be re-imbursed by the state. With the cost of postage increasing, she adjusted the budget for such for mailing out ballots.

Dennis Wall, citizen, came to voice his concerns about the county's noxious weed spraying. Discussion followed.

Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, joined the meeting.

Dennis Wall is also concerned that his road is now a bicycle route. He states the people do not want to the bikes on the road. Discussion followed.

Jami Clark, Appraiser, explained the she has an employee who is looking to retire at the end of 2024. She has added the amount for payouts for that retirement to her 2024 budget.

Jami reported that SAM is increasing their rates 10% for 2024. This is for the GIS mapping.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client for courthouse security. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:25 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:35 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client for courthouse security. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:36 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:41 a.m. No action taken.

Shannon explained that the Moran Senior Center Board is short 2 members due to the passing of Nelda Cuppy and June Terrill. Nelda's position will be appointed by the City of Moran. Commissioner Symes moved to appoint Carlin Kay Lewis for the Moran Senior Center board, to fill the unexpired term of June Terrill. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to hold a special meeting for the purpose of working the 2024 budget on Thursday, July 20, 2023. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported that Steve Strickler just text him requesting equipment to help load his trailer for recycling. Mitch and Mark both said their equipment is in use and will not be available. He will let Steve know.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Allen County Zoning Regulations for Commercial Solar Energy Systems
- b) Letter from Raymond James
- c) 104th Annual Meeting invitation from Allen County Farm Bureau
- d) Kansas Public Notice No. KS-Q-22-135
- e) EMC Insurance claim
- f) Kansas Housing Resources Corp Payment Remittance
- g) Thank you letter from Elsmore Community Ruritan Club
- h) Thank you letter from Biblesta Committee
- i) CTD10 May 2023 minutes
- j) June 2023 Solid Waste Financial statement
- k) June 2023 monthly reports for Appraiser's office, Attorney's office, Clerk's office, District Court, Public Work's office, Register of Deeds' office, Treasurer's office
- l) June 2023 Fund Status Report

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$591,885.76 & \$70,398.34
- b) Payroll – Enrollment form for Cody Craft
- c) Payroll – Change forms for Jason Garber, Kelsey Lampe, Hailey Willis
- d) Payroll – Meal reimbursement for Jason Trego & Haz-Mat reimbursement for Jeremy Hopkins
- e) Clerk's Journal Entries – #34
- f) Abatements – RE, Value 85,884, \$20,041.04, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m. until Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

July 18, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Crystal Richey, Allen County employee, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Jared Larkey, Farm City Days Committee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the July 11, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee wanted to express his thanks for all of the work done in the aftermath of the storm that came on Friday.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported on the storm that rolled through on Friday. He called Chairman Lee on Friday evening for a verbal disaster declaration. He is asking for an official Resolution and proclamation declaring disaster status; Resolution #202306 Proclamation of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Allen County, Kansas.

RESOLUTION # 202306 AND PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMATION of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Allen County, Kansas:

WHEREAS on the 18th day of July, 2023, the Board of Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas finds that certain conditions have caused, or eminently threaten to cause wide-spread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property in disaster proportion in Allen County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, such conditions have created obstructions which endanger health, safety and welfare of persons and property within the border of Allen County, Kansas.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas, under and by virtue of the authority vested in it by K.S.A. 1976 Supp. 48-932, does hereby PROCLAIM that a State of Local Disaster Emergency exists.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED that the area within the border of Allen County, Kansas covered by this proclamation/ resolution is the entire area of Allen County, Kansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Board has all rights and/or powers to perform such functions as are vested in said Board by and through the provisions of the Kansas Emergency Preparedness Act of 1975.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED that this resolution shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days unless terminated earlier or renewed by consent of the governing body.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF ALLEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THIS 18th DAY OF JULY, 2023.

Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the Resolution #202306 Proclamation of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Allen County, Kansas. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported that he opened the landfill for limbs on Sunday.

Mitch reported the sealing is done at the taxiway. Once it gets inspected then it will be able to be painted.

Mitch stated that there are no grants available to help with the burying of the electric poles; so that will be at county expense.

Mitch reported there was some minor damage to the hangar doors from the storm, and he has turned it in to insurance. Also, the new fencing at the landfill tipped over but it did not do any damage to it.

Mitch presented bids for a new hydro seeder. He sent out for 3 bids but only received one back from Multi Machine Inc out of Asbury, NJ. The company sent a quote for a new Panther T12 Hydro Seeder, 1500-gallon tank, self-driven for \$445,000.00. They also quoted for a used 2021 Panther T12 Hydro Seeder with 1500 hours on it for \$304,500.00. Discussion followed.

Corey Isbell, Iola Fire Chief, and Michael Burnett, EMS Director, joined the meeting.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported his crews were out until 9:30 or 10:00 p.m. on Friday trying to get all the paved roads cleared. They were back out from 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Saturday getting the rest of the roads cleared as best they could. They did not touch the limbs that were on the power lines.

Mark reported he will not be here for the August 1, 2023 meeting.

Jared Larkey, Farm City Days Committee, would like to request \$2500 for donation towards Farm City Days. He would also like to request use of the Courthouse Lawn. Farm City Days is scheduled for October 19, 20, 21, & 22, 2023. They are planning to have the parade, vendors, car show, bounce houses and the carnival. The county contributed \$1500 last year. Commissioner Symes moved to approve use of the courthouse lawn and donation of \$1500 for Farm City Days. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, wanted to report that in the future there will be several pieces of equipment that will be needing to be replaced; cots, monitors, the 2006 Expedition, and ambulance. Some of the cots are 13 years old and the life span for those are typically 7-8 years. Power cots cost anywhere \$20,000-\$40,000 depending on the options chosen. He would like to replace one cot and one monitor in the near future. They will also be needing a new ambulance and a new EMS vehicle. The Expedition now is a 2006 with 189,000 miles. They use this to go assist in Humboldt and Moran on calls. Discussion followed. The commission requested a more comprehensive list of equipment that will be needing replaced.

Commissioner Daniels reported on a complaint about no ambulance in Humboldt last week. Corey Isbell stated he will look into it.

Commissioner Daniels has been asked by several individuals about mitigation on the incident discussed early this year. Michael and Corey both stated that is being worked on.

Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, stated she would like to look into if there are grants for equipment for EMS. That may be an option to help replace the needed equipment.

Lisse thanked the commissioners for being at the ceremonial bill signing to officially designate Lehigh Portland the newest State Park.

Lisse is asking for permission to set up an account for \$5,000 for fuel from the Public Works fuel system. This would be for them to be able to buy fuel to mow. The state park will include the trails; however, during the transition Thrive will continue to maintain the trails. The commission gave the okay for the public works department to set up an account for Thrive to purchase fuel.

Lisse also requested for the commissioners to consider giving Thrive a set percentage of a mill, instead of a fixed dollar amount for their disbursements.

Lisse introduced the idea of setting up a specific fund to budget in monies to put toward economic development projects. For example, incentives to help attract new industries to the airport industrial park. Could this be done instead of asking for monies out of the general fund. Discussion followed.

Lisse reminded that the Thrive Allen County nominations are due by August 7, 2023. The categories include health, recreation, education, economic development, unsung hero, Donna Talkington award, and the lifetime achievement award. You can nominate a person or organization. Once all nominations are in, the Thrive board meets in August and will review all nominations, vote on 3 nominees in each category, and then the

winner. The nominees and winners will be celebrated at Thrive's Annual Banquet held of Friday, November 17, 2023.

Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, reported on call volumes during and after the storm. For the three days prior to the storm, the total call volume was 448. Total call volume for Friday, July 14, 2023 was 857, Saturday, July 25, 2023 was 728, and Sunday, July 16, 2023 was 253. Chelsie reported Chairman Lee had stopped by briefly, and all consoles were occupied, Chelsie was fielding calls in her office, and Jason was in emergency operations center handling the calls between agencies. The numbers presented by Chelsie were just phone call, it did not include all of the radio traffic they had to keep up with as well. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson, County Counselor, reported on the court expansion project meeting that was held yesterday. The plan is to have the bond issue on the November 2023 ballot. Original plans have been altered to take away the elevators and tunnel, resulting in a cost savings compared to the original plan. Crossland will take videography of testimonies on why this is needed. The next meeting will be held on August 14, 2023. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:40 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:50 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:53 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:03 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:05 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:15 a.m. No action taken.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, presented a request from Cara Walden. Cara & Bill Walden along with Gabe and Myra Gleason would like to request use of the courthouse lawn to hold a movie night. The plan is to hold the first one to coincide with the August sidewalk sales. They would like to bring in food trucks to be set on Jefferson Street. Commissioner Symes moved to approve this request with the understanding that they will communicate with Ron Holman for location. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark is throwing out the idea that the shop would be prime location for the state to buy because of the trails and lake. Doing so would allow to build new shop as well. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Business Forum invitation from Southeast Kansas Inc
- b) United States Bankruptcy Court papers for Endo International
- c) EMC Claim information
- d) June 2023 financial reports for Hospital Board from Larry Peterson
- e) June monthly report for Noxious Weed, corrected Attorneys office

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$264,035.03
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – #35 & 36

- c) Payroll – Enrollment form for William Todd
- d) Payroll – Change forms for Darcy Burton, Kayla Garber

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m. until Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly’s Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

July 20, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in a special session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff. Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Crystal Richey, Allen County employee, Rodney Burns, Auditor, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rodney Burns presented the commission with drafts #1 & 2 of the Allen County budget. Changes for draft #2 consists of some questions that had not gotten answered as of draft #1. Discussion followed on cuts and needs.

Social Security COLA is looking at 3% for increase so how would that effect the budget?

Discussion was had on the decreasing amount of inmate housing from out of county jurisdictions.

Darolyn “Crickett” Maley, Allen County Treasurer, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Symes moved to recess for 10 minutes. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passes 3-0-0.

Commissioners continued to work on the 2024 proposed budget.

Commissioner Symes moved approve 2024 budget for publication. Commissioner seconded Daniels; motion passed 3-0-0. August 22 at 9:00 a.m. budget hearing.

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m. until Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly’s Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

July 25, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Crystal Richey, Allen County employee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Corey Schinstock, City of Iola, Matt Rehder, City of Iola, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Jay Weseloh, Prairieland Partners, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on July 18 & 20, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported Caleb checked the taxiway, they are going to need to put another layer of sealant on it before it can be striped. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported on Sunday the B25 bombers flew in, and they will be back this Sunday depending on the weather. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Lee asked about the damage to the hangar doors. Discussion followed.

Mitch re-presented the bids on the Hydro Seeder. The frame on the used model does not have a warranty, but the engine is still covered until April 2024. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved approve the purchase of the used 2021 Panther T12 Hydro Seeder for \$304,500. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

The commissioners would like for Mitch to look at selling our used Hydro Seeder.

Chairman Lee asked Mitch about the last of the barrier fences. Mitch stated he is cross training some employees and have not had them putting the fences together because of this. They will be assembled and put in place shortly.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported where all they are helping with limb pickup. Discussion followed.

Mark reported that the overlay projects for Country Club Heights and section of 1400 from Alabama to Connecticut is scheduled to begin the middle of August.

Mark stated one of our older mowers needs a new box to run the electrical. This mower is old enough that Case stated they cannot get the part that is needed. Discussion followed. Mark will put together a list of our equipment that they are not making parts for anymore.

Matt Rehder, City of Iola, wanted to thank the commission for reaching out and offering help after the storm.

Matt reported that Sarah Huskey is asking for her 105 acres of land to be annexed into the City. There is a three-step process needed to get this done. The city passed the

resolution at last night's meeting. The Commission now needs to approve the request; then the city will pass an ordinance to annex the property. This land will be for the Prairieland development. Robert Johnson has reviewed and he recommends approval. Jay Weseloh from Prairieland Partners states 25 acres of the 105 being annexed will be for their development. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the request to annex 105 acres. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee asked Jay when they think we will see the development begin. He stated the end of August.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:55 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:05 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee reported on the meeting held last Thursday that was held to work the budget. The proposed budget being published has a mill levy decrease of about .5 mills. The RNR hearing and budget hearing will be held August 22, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Mitch stated that at the August 8 commission meeting, Jared with Schwab-Eaton will be present. He will come in with Mitch and update on the landfill's new cell project.

Paul Zirjacks voiced his concerns on the recycling efforts. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Kansas Public Notice No KS-Q-22-142 (2)

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$182,382.47
- b) Clerk's Journal Entry #37
- c) Payroll – Enrollment forms for Levi Lampe and Zachar Wilhite
- d) Payroll – Change forms for Dinah Glaze

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m. until Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 1, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Terry Call, Zoning administrator, Rick Aiello, employee, Crystal Richey, employee, Debbie Bearden, Farmer's Market, Shane Lamb, FMS North America Tires, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meetings on July 25, 2023.

Chairman Lee wanted to thank all those involved with putting on the successful 2023 fair.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Shane Lamb, FMS North America Tires, is present to discuss the tires being brought in by them to the landfill. There is a concern about some of the tires not "originating" from Allen County. If tires are brought in from Allen County the price is \$5.50 per ton, or the cost would be \$130.00 per ton for tires brought in from out of county. Most of the tires collected are from farms and there are some local tires shops / dealerships that call for pickup. Discussion followed.

Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, joined the meeting.

Terry Call, Zoning administrator, reported that he has been reaching out to ambulance suppliers and is finding that Type 1 ambulances are about 2-3 year out. If ordered now it would not be ready until 2026. Type 2, or transfer units, would possibly be available September 2024. Discussion followed.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported the storm that came through on Sunday evening was not as bad as they were calling for.

Jason also advised that Allen County will be in an excessive heat advisory until Thursday.

Debbie Bearden, Farmer's Market, requested from the commissioners to continue to be the fiduciary agent for their grants. The commissioners have agreed to continue as fiduciary agent.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported on the fire at the landfill Friday. Moran rural fire, LaHarpe rural fire, and Allen County rural fire all responded. Holcomb also helped with use of the dozer and water truck. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported Purple Wave came to look at the old Hydro Seeder; it was quoted to bring \$3500 to \$4500. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated the new Hydro Seeder is scheduled to be here August 9 possibly

Mitch reported all the barrier fencing is put in place.

Commissioner Symes asked Mitch about mixing the shredded tires with the dirt to cover. Mitch stated the reason he does not do this is because of the risk of fire. Having tires mixed with the dirt could cause the fire to burn hotter and be more difficult to put out. Discussion followed.

Robert Johnson, County Counselor, asked Shane Lamb if he would be able to identify what tonnage is being brought in from other counties. Shane stated they have to track such for KDHE so it would be possible. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:23 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:33 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:35 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert

Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:40 a.m. No action taken.

Dennis Wall, citizen, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-Elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:44 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:54 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for non-Elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:56 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:01 a.m. No action taken.

Dennis Wall, citizen, came to ask if anything has been done about his walnut tree. Mitch stated he provided information to the insurance company that they requested. Discussion followed.

Shane Lamb asked if anything has been decided on him bringing tires to the landfill. Commissioner Daniels stated that they asked Mitch to do some more research into pricing from other landfills. Commissioners said he could offload what he has currently. Shane stated he could divert the next few weeks to Chanute.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) July monthly report for Attorney's office
- b) KWORCC inspection report
- c) Added – TR, value 1713, \$249.18, year 2022
- d) Escape – TR, value 2015, \$287.36, year 2021

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$596,501.06
- b) Payroll – Enrollment forms for Cole Hanson, Dallas Merritt
- c) Payroll – Change form for Cody Craft
- d) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Bruce Symes
- e) Clerk's Journal Entries –
- f) Abatements – RE, value 12,981. \$ 3,019.82, year 2022
RE, value 21,595, \$4,340.06, year 2021

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. until Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Jared Brooks, Schwab Eaton, Matt Korte, Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, Justin Tucker, Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the August 1, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, presented bids for a GEM5000 Portable Gas Extraction Monitor. These are used to take monthly readings the gas in the wells at the landfill, to be reported to Schwab Eaton and then on to Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). QED quoted a price of \$14,675.00 and Pine quoted a price of \$14,970.00 Commissioner Symes moved to approve the purchase from QED for \$14,675.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported the Hydro Seeder is ready, will be delivered Monday with a trainer coming as well.

Mitch reported the dozer has an oil leak. Berry is coming to look at it.

Jarred Brooks, Schwab Eaton, reported on the progress of the new landfill cell. They have received contract pay application #4; representing 20% completion. They are currently 1-2 months behind the initial schedule, mobilized a little later than anticipated. Working on the earthwork right now. Contract is 365 calendar days-until end of March 2024. KDHE requires a 3rd party for construction quality assurance inspector. Schwab Eaton is that 3rd party for this project. Currently cell 2 is being constructed and the county is permitted to have 4 cells. One thing to watch for is that we are starting to run low on suitable soil to use for the clay liner. This cell should last 10-15 years. Might need to look at tracts to get soil from when working on cell 3 & 4.

Jared also stated that the waste tire and rubber disposal area is reaching the height limitation. Tire deposit sites are not required to be on a certain type of liner as with the MSW landfill permits. He would suggest keeping the tires separate as there are additional hazards should they catch on fire. Commissioners asked what is the minimum requirements in order to put a new disposal area for tires. Landfill fires are becoming more common and problematic. Each fire requires notification to KDHE. They are becoming more common due to lithium-ion batteries which are common in today's electronics. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported they are almost completed on brush cleanup. Hoping to get back to chip sealing next week. Discussion followed.

Mark stated the MowerMax should be here in the next few weeks.

Matt Korte, Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, introduced Justin Tucker as a new board member. The organization is evolving as development continues within Humboldt. They hired a part time director last year, as organization is volunteer based. They are going to show a deficit of around \$5,000 in their budget with the addition of the director. They have the funds to sustain for right now but would like to see the budget back in the

black. Would commission be willing to extend support in an economic development capacity? Discussion followed. The commissioners would like to think on this a little more.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:15 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:20 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:20 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:30 a.m. No action taken.

Mitch reported that the QED quote has been updated with a lesser price. The price is now \$13,207.50.

Terry Call reported he is still researching the Type 2 ambulances and talking to agencies that have them.

Commissioners asked Jared to get more information on what it would take to propose a new site for tire disposal. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) 2023 City of Iola Pay Scale
- b) July 2023 Solid Waste Financials
- c) July 2023 financials for Hospital Board
- d) July 2023 monthly report for District Court, Sheriff's office, Register of Deeds office, Treasurer's office, Public Works office, Appraiser's office, County Clerk's office
- e) May 2023 monthly report for Sheriff's office
- f) June 2023 monthly report for Sheriff's office
- g) Noxious Weed corrected monthly reports for April 2023, May 2023, June 2023
- h) July 2023 Fund Status Report

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$334,110.35 & special payout 8/7/23-\$101,398.86
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 38 & 39
- c) Payroll – Enrollment form for William (Bill) Wilson
- d) Payroll – Change forms for Rusty Jones, Levi Seilonen, Rikki Witchley
- e) Payroll – Cell reimbursement for Bill Wilson
- f) Payroll – June process servers for Brenda Beth, Steve Womack, Daren Kellerman, Wayne Carson
- g) Payroll – July process servers for Brenda Beth, Haley Donovan, Daren Kellerman, Steve Womack

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m. until Thursday, August 15, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Crystal Richey, Allen County employee, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Michael Burnett, EMS Director, Shane Lamb, FMS North America Tires, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, reported they will be hosting the Elsmore community conversation at 7 pm this evening at the United Methodist Church in Elsmore.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported that the Hydro Seeder was delivered yesterday and they received the training.

Mitch presented updated information regarding pricing for tire disposal from additional counties.

Mitch reported his two seasonal employees in noxious weed will be leaving at the end of August and he has someone else to be available to sell chemicals through September.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, asked when the new fuel tanks arrive can he do a year contract instead of bidding out every time we need fuel. Discussion followed on the benefit of a contract.

Mark reported that road and bridge share a truck with noxious weed. He is asking if he can look at the price of purchasing a new one for road and bridge. The current truck is a dually. During the summer the truck is used for noxious weed. And then when spraying is done the equipment attached is swapped out and they put the plow and salter on and is used for snow removal. Discussion followed.

Mark reported the MowerMax will be here Thursday or Friday. The trainer should be here next week to begin training.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, reported that the transits do not really fit into Allen County's operations. We put about 150,000 miles on an ambulance a year just on transfers alone. One option he has looked into and priced is remounting the bodies onto new chassis. The queue for this would be about 2 years and they would have our ambulance for roughly 3 months. The cost of remounting is estimated to be \$200,000 - \$250,000. A new ambulance is running roughly \$300,000 to \$350,000. Chairman Lee suggested going ahead and putting our name in the queue and continuing to look into options. Discussion followed.

Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Manager, joined the meeting.

Patty Sanborn, SEK Inc, joined the meeting.

Patty Sanborn, SEK Inc, introduced herself and gave a little bit of background on SEK Inc. They have started a housing coalition. She reported on a conference being held November 14 & 15, 2023 in Independence, KS. She is asking that the county send a representative to this meeting. Discussion followed.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported on a conference call with Kansas Division of Emergency Management (KDEM). They are currently validating the submissions of damages from the storm on July 14, 2023. There are certain thresholds the counties have to meet as well as the State for federal funding to be available. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that the truck used by noxious weed is a 2013 and has 78,000 miles.

Commissioners revisited the information provided by other counties on tire disposal. Mitch reported that he and Jared are still working on the permit and new tire site. Commission Symes stated that he would like to tighten up the policy on the charges for tires. Discussion followed. Chairman Lee asked if Mitch could get policies from the counties he has reached out to.

Commissioners asked about a new site for the lithium battery items. Mitch stated he is checking on the permitting to have a dedicated site or container.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) July 2023 monthly report for Noxious Weed
- b) May, June, and July 2023 financial reports for Allen County Fair Board

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$54,579.95
- b) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Kevin Turner
- c) Payroll – Cell reimbursement for Brian Rutherford
- d) Payroll – Vacation carryover for DeWayne Zimmerman, 52 hours and Jeremy Hopkins, 56.25 hours.

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:16 a.m. until Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 22, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, Rick Aiello, employee, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meetings on August 8 and August 15, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Paul Zirjacks, citizen, wanted to say that the incident that happened in Marion County just goes to show how important local newspapers are.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported the dozer will be here next week; which is earlier than expected. The dozer currently at landfill is being traded in.

Mitch stated the new hydro seeder is working well. The employees at the landfill really appreciate being able to get the new one. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that he and Robert Poydack will be attending the Four State Airport Conference in Kansas City on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday

Mitch reported he has been contacting those that dispose of tires at the landfill and filled them in on the changes to the policy. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated he is waiting on permitting to have a separate site for electronic disposal. This would be to keep the lithium batteries separate. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes brought up a discussion on coming up with maximum limit in tonnage for tires allowed to be disposed of at the landfill. The initial thought is to limit to 20-25 tons. He suggested making a second tier should someone bring in more than the allowance. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that he spoke with our insurance and they can't do a claim for the tree because in county's right of way. Discussion followed.

Dick Works and Randy Misenhelter, citizens, joined the meeting.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported the MowerMax is in and the gentleman should be here today to do the training.

Mark reported two mowers had been down and one is back in service today.

Mark reported the distributor truck is down but the part should be in today.

Chairman Lee was asked by a citizen on 2000th Rd if it was on the list for maintenance now that the EPA work is done. Discussion followed.

Mark reported that the section of the old highway from Alabama to Connecticut is on hold. It was not a part of the initial list with KDOT. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:53 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 8:58 a.m. No action taken.

Ray Maloney, Steve Green, Eugene Weatherbie, Eric Maxwell, citizens, joined the meeting.

Chairman Lee opened the county's Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR) Hearing at 9:00 a.m. Discussion with citizens voicing their concerns followed. Commissioners took a roll call vote for exceeding the county's RNR.

Roll Call Vote			
A Roll Call Vote of the Allen County Commissioners To Levy a Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on August 22, 2023			
Resolution No. 202307			
Governing Body Member	Yes	No	No Vote
David Lee, Chairman	X		
Jerry Daniels, Commissioner	X		
Bruce Symes, Commissioner	X		
TOTAL	3		

Commissioners reviewed Resolution 202307.

Resolution No. ~~202307~~

A RESOLUTION OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS, TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for Allen County, Kansas, was calculated as 58.343 mills by the Allen County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas, will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 22, 2023 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and


WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

Allen County, Kansas shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 58.343 mills.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of August, 2023 and SIGNED by the County Commission Chairman.



 Chairman

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Resolution 202307 A Resolution of Allen County, Kansas, to Levy a Property Tax Rate Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners took a roll call vote to exceed the revenue neutral rate for Allen County Rural Fire District #2.

Roll Call Vote			
A Roll Call Vote of the Allen County Commissioners To Levy a Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on August 22, 2023			
Resolution No. 202308			
Governing Body Member	Yes	No	No Vote
David Lee, Chairman	X		
Jerry Daniels, Commissioner	X		
Bruce Symes, Commissioner	X		
TOTAL	3		

Commissioners reviewed Resolution 202308.

A RESOLUTION OF ALLEN COUNTY KANSAS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2, TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 2, was calculated as 4.603 mills by the Allen County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 2, will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 22, 2023 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and

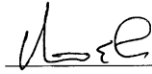
WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 2, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2:

Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 2 shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 4.603 mills.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of August, 2023 and SIGNED by the County Commission Chairman.



Chairman

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Resolution 202308 A Resolution of Allen County Kanas Rural Fire District #2 to Levy a Property Tax Rate Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners took a roll call vote to exceed to revenue neutral rate for Allen County Rural Fire District #3.

Roll Call Vote			
A Roll Call Vote of the Allen County Commissioners To Levy a Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on August 22, 2023			
Resolution No. 202309			
Governing Body Member	Yes	No	No Vote
David Lee, Chairman	X		
Jerry Daniels, Commissioner	X		
Bruce Symes, Commissioner	X		
TOTAL	3		

Commissioners reviewed Resolution 202309.

A RESOLUTION OF ALLEN COUNTY KANSAS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NO. 4, TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 4, was calculated as 4.837 mills by the Allen County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 4, will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 22, 2023 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and

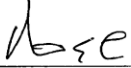
WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 4, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NO. 4:

Allen County, Kansas Rural Fire District No. 4 shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 4.837 mills.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of August, 2023 and SIGNED by the County Commission Chairman.



Chairman

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Resolution 202309 A Resolution of Allen County Kansas Rural Fire District #4 to Levy a Property Tax Rate Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners took a roll call vote to exceed the revenue neutral rate for Allen County Sewer District #1.

Roll Call Vote			
A Roll Call Vote of the Allen County Commissioners To Levy a Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on August 22, 2023			
Resolution No. 202310			
Governing Body Member	Yes	No	No Vote
David Lee, Chairman	X		
Jerry Daniels, Commissioner	X		
Bruce Symes, Commissioner	X		
TOTAL	3		

Commissioners reviewed Resolution 202310.

A RESOLUTION OF ALLEN COUNTY KANSAS SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1, TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for Allen County, Kansas Sewer District No. 1, was calculated as 7.851 mills by the Allen County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas Sewer District No. 1, will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 22, 2023 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and


WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Allen County, Kansas Sewer District No. 1, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1:

Allen County, Kansas Sewer District No. 1 shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 7.851 mills.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of August, 2023 and SIGNED by the County Commission Chairman.



Chairman

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Resolution 202310 A Resolution of Allen County Kansas Sewer District #1 to Levy a Property Tax Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to end the RNR hearing and open the budget hearing. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Chairman Lee the opened the budget hearing at 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the proposed 2024 budget. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to close the budget hearing. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:29 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:39 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels asked Mark what the plans will be for the old highway from Connecticut south. He would also like the listing from KDOT.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Resolution for consideration for adding special question to November election
- b) CTD 10 minutes from May 17, 2023 meeting

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$34,129.14
- b) Payroll – Enrollment for Angela Pruitt
- c) Payroll – Changes for Angela Tatman, Brian Thompson
- d) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Terry Call
- e) Clerk's Journal Entries – #40

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m. until Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 29, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Jeff Keithly, Thrive Allen County, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the August 22, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, reported he had Thrasher Foundation had come to look at the foundation of the courthouse. There has been some water damage noticed recently. Commissioner Daniels asked if anyone else would be willing to bid on this. Commissioner Symes continental restoration. Commissioners gave the okay to get more bids for this project.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, presented the new proposed pricing for tire disposal at the landfill.

In Allen County:

Tires- Passengers & Light Trk.	\$1.00 each
Truck & Implement	\$3.50 each
Heavy Truck	\$5.50 each
Tractor-Loader etc.	\$10.00 each
Cut Tires- first 25 tons per month	\$5.50 per ton.
Cut Tires-Over 25 tons per month	\$100.00 per ton.
Tire Bales	\$16.50 per ton

Out of Allen County:

Tires- Passengers & Light Trk.	\$2.00 each
Truck & Implement	\$7.00 each
Heavy Truck	\$11.00 each
Tractor-Loader etc.	\$20.00 each
Cut Tires	\$130.00 per ton
Tire Bales	\$130.00 per ton

Discussion followed.

Mitch reported the new dozer was just delivered and they will take the older one with them for the trade-in.

Commissioner Daniels asked about a proposed tire disposal site. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the proposed rates for tire disposal at the landfill. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented documents given by the engineer for road repairs that will be funded by KDOT. Chairman Lee asked for a prioritized list in reference to these projects. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked about the bridge at Moran and Nebraska road. Mark is talking with the engineer about what the best course of action to repair these roads.

Chairman Lee asked how the MowerMax was working out. Discussion followed.

Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, reported on the community discussion held in Elmore. 15 residents turned up for this discussion. Discussion followed on the topics brought up by the citizens. The top 3 needs were decided as City Hall improvements, cell service issues, and volunteers for the food pantry. The next community conversations will be held September 19 at 6:00 p.m. in Savonburg and October 17 at 6:00 p.m. in Mildred. Commissioner Daniels asked Lisse to get some numbers on what a HVAC system would cost for Elmore City Hall.

Jeff Keithly, Thrive Allen County Transportation Director, wants to start a conversation on merging the Allen County Service to the Elderly Transportation program with their Allen Regional Transit (ART) program. He is proposing to take over our services. He reported on information regarding their program and numbers of trips and purposes. Commissioners asked for Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, to get the figures on what part of the Elderly Fund levy is paid out for the transportation; maintenance and wages. The commission also asked Jeff to inquire as to what would happen if they took over, but then realized it wasn't working out; how would County then take it back over. Discussion followed.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, requested on behalf of City of Moran to appoint Ken McWhirter to the Moran Senior Center Board. Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Ken McWhirter to the Moran Senior Center Board. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon reported on a request from Kelly Klubek to use the bandstand on October 1-8, 2023 for a church revival. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the request to use the bandstand for a church revival from October 1st to October 8th, 2023. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon requested to schedule flu shots for county employees on September 28, 2023 from 3:30 – 5:00, given by the SEK Multi-County Health Department. Commissioners okayed.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client Land Acquisition. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:30 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:40 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client Land Acquisition. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:42 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:47 a.m. No action taken.

Shannon presented Resolution 202311 A Resolution Authorizing and Providing for the Calling of a Bond Election in Allen County, Kansas for the Purpose of Submitting to the Qualified Electors of the County the Question of Issuing General Obligation Bonds of the County to Finance Improvements to the Allen County Courthouse; and Providing for the Giving of Notice of Said Bond Election. Robert Johnson, County Counselor, explained the purpose of this resolution. Commissioner Symes moved to adopt Resolution 202311 A Resolution Authorizing and Providing for the Calling of a Bond Election in Allen County, Kansas for the Purpose of Submitting to the Qualified Electors of the County the Question of Issuing General Obligation Bonds of the County to Finance Improvements to the Allen County Courthouse; and Providing for the Giving of Notice of Said Bond Election. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$41,987.45
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 41
- c) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Jerry Daniels

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m. until Tuesday September 5, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

September 5, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Jill Allen, Deputy Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Crystal Richey, Allen County employee, Tim Stauffer, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Terry Johnson, Donald Leapheart, Allen County employees and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on August 29, 2023.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for attorney client privilege. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:30 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor and Mitch Garner, Public Works Director. Commissioners reconvened at 8:35 a.m. No action taken.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for attorney client privilege. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:40 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County

Counselor and Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director. Commissioners reconvened at 8:55 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Commissioner Daniels took a moment to recognize Wayne Faulkner, Woodson County Commissioner. He was a fatality in a vehicle accident over the weekend.

Donald Leapheart, Services to the Elderly Van driver, joined the commission to share his thoughts on Thrive taking over the county transportation service. He explained how he came to be the driver for the Services to the Elderly Van. He feels that this service is very special and the county does an excellent job providing such service. It is free to those in Allen County age 55 and over. Donald stated that these people really need the service as it is. He is not sure what Thrive plans to do with it, but he really would like to see the county continue to supply this transportation service, as it is now. Donald said thank you for the service, thank you for allowing people to ride for free. If it changes in any way, it will affect those that ride. Donald has been driving for three years.

Rachel Moore, Thrive, joined the meeting.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported on the new dozer. They have some more pictures framed and ready for the airport open house. Chairman Lee asked when would we get the most people at an open house. Mitch suggested a Saturday. He stated they are trying to get a permit to be able to put tires on the ground at the landfill. They are maybe just a week behind on the new cell at landfill. They still need to get the liner down before winter. Mitch reported on landfill staff.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported on the ten-hour days. The mower max was discussed.

Rachel Moore, Thrive, joined the commission to talk about ARPA and Base grant. She handed out spreadsheets. Nothing for ARPA has changed since she was last at the meeting in May. The tower is done. Midwest Engineering is ready to bid, as early as today. The bid packet has been approved. They are doing extended water service to the airport. BG Consultants are still pinning down easements. Bob Johnson, County Counselor is working with them. The money must be spent by June 2024, per the Base grant. The project may not be done, but that's fine as long as the money is spent.

Jason Trego, Allen County Emergency Manager, discussed Emergency Management performance grant, it reimburses the county for a portion of his salary and benefits. It depends how much FEMA gives the State of Kansas. He needs Chairman Lee's signature on the application. He also needs his signature and County Clerk signature on Title VI form. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Lee sign, Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Jason then talked about the Hazard Mitigation grant. This is due to a fire in Washington County. Chairman Lee asked if communities in the county are aware of this. Jason stated he sent it to the entities that are eligible. Elsmore and Savonburg chose not to participate. In order to participate an entity must attend a meeting and sign a paper adopting it as your local Hazard Mitigation plan. Jason will submit a letter of intent, eligibility is determined, then there is an application process. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Lee shared an email from St Luke's Senior Life Solutions. He read the email; they are asking permission to place ribbons on the lamp poles on either side of the Veteran's Memorial as well as a yard sign that states "Suicide Awareness month". There will be a walk as well at the hospital on September 19. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the ribbons be placed, Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Composition of Cash Balances & Investments 8/31/2023
- b) Public Works Statement of Receipts, Disbursements & Balances Aug 2023
- c) Fee transaction summary by account number Aug 2023
- d) KDWP Aug 2023

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$1,101,337.91
- b) Payroll – Change for Jake Bland, Jeanne Carson and Bethanie Yanell & Enrollment for Colton Slocum
- c) Clerk's journal entry #42

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m. until Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

September 12, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Jill Allen, Deputy Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Rick Aiello, employee, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on September 5, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, passed out the flyer for the airport open house on September 30.

He reported on the door damage at the airport. He has bids for said repair. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the bid from S&S Powerlift Hydraulic Doors, LLC for \$113,574.68 to remove existing doors and install new ones, also to include rental of equipment. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion carried 3-0-0.

Mitch talked about fires at landfill. They are stockpiling in plans for the monofil. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported on painters coming next week for old highway south of Humboldt. This includes lines on side and passing.

Mark stated the chipper went down, so he is borrowing one from Anderson County. He stated no more chip sealing until next year. Petrolia Road will be gravel through the winter.

Mark is headed to a conference tomorrow. He will learn more about CDL requirements.

Chairman Lee read a request from Dianne Kauth, Iola High School, to use bandstand on September 22 for the Iola High School homecoming. Commissioners approved.

Sheriff Murphy shared bids for HVAC system at the jail. Design Mechanical and CDL submitted bids. It can be a tax-exempt job, so the bid numbers will be less due to this. We will save around \$8,000 using tax exempt status. It is 32-week leave time to get this project going. Commissioners will wait a week to make decision.

Sheriff Murphy discussed reimbursement money he receives for the Larned list to be put into the jail board fund; sheriff is reimbursed for days an inmate is waiting for an evaluation. This could help cover the jail HVAC expense.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney/client privilege, hospital litigation. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:59 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, Commissioners reconvened at 9:09 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for attorney/client privilege, land acquisition. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:11 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, Commissioners reconvened at 9:24 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes reminded all about the SEK Regional meeting at Cherokee County this Thursday.

Mitch updated commissioners on the hangar doors, when installation will begin.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Noxious Weed Dept statement of Receipts, Disbursements & Balances Aug 2023
- b) Allen County Attorney monthly financial Aug 2023
- c) CNB Solid Waste account info Aug 2023
- d) Allen County Fund Status report Aug 2023
- e) Appraiser's monthly money collected (cash) Aug 2023

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$262,404.25
- b) Payroll – PR changes for T Buck & D Heiman
- c) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for R Poydack
- d) Payroll – Enrollment for Robert Long IV
- e) Clerk's Journal Entries – #43

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m. until Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

September 19, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk. Commissioner Bruce Symes was absent.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Terry Johnson, Allen County employee, Jessica Thompspon, Thrive Allen County, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Carl Slaugh, citizen, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the September 12, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Carl Slaugh, citizen, presented information on the Allen County Veterans Committee's efforts to display banners with pictures of veterans on the light poles around the square. The banners will be approximately two feet by four feet. There will be a limit of 24 banners to be displayed.

Jessica Thompson, Thrive Allen County, reminding the commissioners of the Savonburg community conversation. The conversation will take place at the community building in Savonburg.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, presented bids for topcoat for the landfill. The bids were for 880 bags of topcoat. The bids were received from LSC Environmental Products for \$20,515.00 and Profile Products for \$23,400.80. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid from LSC Environmental Products for a total of \$20,515.00. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Mitch reported that the individuals fixing the doors at the airport were there taking measurements.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported he spoke with Mr. O'Mara about helping dump rock with his dump truck. Discussion followed.

Mark stated Sheriff Murphy reached out to him and offered to sell one of their trucks to the road and bridge department. This truck would be one that the Sheriff's office could potentially trade in but Sheriff wanted to offer to Road and Bridge department first. The price would be \$9000.00.

Commissioner Daniels asked if we were still chip sealing in Humboldt. Mark stated yes, they are finishing up. Discussion followed.

Commissioners discussed the bids they were presented last week for the new HVAC at the jail. The two bids received were from Design Mechanical, \$106,133.00 and CDL Electric Co., \$151,702.75.00. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid from Design Mechanical for \$106,133.00. Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Chairman Lee moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 2-0-0. The time is now 8:44 a.m. Those

present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 8:54 a.m. No action taken.

Mark wanted to provide a little information on why he is having to ask for assistance with dumping rock. He has discovered that our dump trucks are no longer road worthy. This is why he reached out to Mr. O'Mara and is working with him.

Chairman Lee reported on some of his key takeaways from the SEK Regional District Meeting that was held in Columbus KS last Thursday. Cyber-security analysis is becoming more discussed topic. He also discussed with the surrounding counties the methods of funding EMS. One such way would be by a sales tax instead of property tax.

Terry Call mentioned checking with Sheriff Murphy on if cyber security analysis was done when he had security looked at in the courthouse.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) August financials from Larry Peterson for Saint Lukes Hospital
- b) Letter from Division of Property Valuation on 2023 compliance review
- c) August monthly report from District Court

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 9/15/2023-\$371,996.38 & 9/18/2023-\$57,576.69
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 44, 45, 46
- c) Payroll – Reimbursements for Robert Poydack, Bruce Symes, Shannon Patterson
- d) Payroll – August 2023 Process Servers: John Walker, Marion Carson, Justin Thompson, Daren Kellerman, Steve Womack, Haley Donovan, Brenda Beth

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Chairman Lee seconded; motion passed 2-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 a.m. until Tuesday September 26, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

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Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

September 26, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Vickie Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Cole Herder, Humboldt City Administrator, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on September 19, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Cole Herder mentioned that City of Humboldt got their streets chip sealed. He wanted to thank the County publicly for helping and sending the road crew to do this.

Cole reported an airstream camper club will be in Humboldt. They will open their campers for an open house this evening.

Cole mentioned that next weekend is Biblesta in Humboldt.

Cole explained E-Community is participating in an entrepreneurship tax credit program. He explained what this program is doing for local entrepreneurs. Discussion followed.

Darrell Krone, Humboldt Historical Preservation Alliance, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels wanted to mention a thank you letter received from City of Moran, for the County's help with chip sealing their roads.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reminded the commissioners about the open house at the airport this Saturday, September 30 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Mitch reported that the topcoat ordered for the landfill has been delivered.

Mitch reported that he will be attending a solid waste training in Mulvane next week.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, received information from EMS on the truck and trailer that was rolled in the quarry and what they will pay towards it. Discussion followed on whether we let the insurance have it or if we buy it back. Mark's recommendation is to let the insurance have it. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the offer of \$39,906.00 for the truck and trailer. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels discussed with Mark an email regarding West Virginia Rd. Discussion followed.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, joined the meeting.

Darrell Krone, reported they have organized another vintage baseball game. He is requesting a donation of \$800, same as last year. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve a donation of \$800.00. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, is requesting the purchase of a 2022 Dodge Durango from the Kansas Highway Patrol for \$35,175.00. This vehicle is used to assist other stations and calls in the county. If another stations crew is out on a transfer, then they can send personnel in this vehicle to cover. The old vehicle will be given back to county to dispose of. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the purchase of the 2022 Dodge Durango for \$35,175.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded with the stipulation that discussion will be had on where the funding will come from; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client, possible litigation. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:55 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:00 a.m. No action taken.

Marcia Davis, Thrive Allen County, joined the meeting.

Michael Burnett, presented information on the ambulance remount. Tim with ARV is present as well to answer questions. Michael had suggested remounting one of our

current trucks, instead of buying a new one. This will be about 2 years out. The pricing will be locked in when approved. Commissioner Daniels asked why we didn't get three bids. Terry Call responded that when he reached out to two other companies, they would not remount a box that was not purchased from them. Discussion followed. Chairman Lee asked if we could get another estimate from ARV where we get the chassis from a local Ford dealer.

Marcia Davis, Thrive Allen County, reported on the community conversation held in Savonburg. Savonburg loves that their community is quiet and laid back. Some things they feel that needs improvement is sewer and electrical grids. These items really need upgraded. Their top three things needed, electric/sewer upgrades, more community involvement, towns appearance. They feel they could use some support from county with help with their roads. Chairman Lee asked about grant opportunities to help with the electrical upgrades. Discussion followed.

Marcia informed the commissioners about the senior health fair today until 2 p.m. at the North Community Building. There is no cost to individuals coming. There are several agencies there to explain the services they offer to the senior population. Vaccinations are also being given.

Marcia reminded the commission about the Mildred community conversation on October 17 at 6pm being held at the Mildred Store.

Commissioner Daniels asked Cole how the new museum and the MIH house is coming along. The MIH house is sided and roof is done. The exterior of the house is completed, however they are waiting on the contractors for the inside of the house. The outside of the museum looks to be almost completed, and they have attempted to match the look of the other downtown buildings.

Commissioner Symes reported on an email he received from Rachel Moore. Would the commissioners like to have a ground breaking for the BASE project? Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:39 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:49 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:50 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:00 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:04 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:09 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Thank you letter from City of Moran

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$148,236.46
- b) Payroll – Change form for William Todd, DeWayne Zimmerman
- c) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for David Lee
- d) Payroll – Vacation carryover for Kim Riebel

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to

adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m. until Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 3, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Rick Aiello, employee, Terry Johnson, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on September 26, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, Paul Zirjacks asked about the recycling that has been shut down for the current time. Would the landfill be able to take over the recycling effort?

Diana Holmes, citizen, spoke about her concerns on the recycling effort that has stopped for now. Discussion followed.

Steve Womack, Sheriff Deputy, joined the meeting.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported on the B25 Miss Mitchell coming to airport tomorrow 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm, weather permitting. Rides will be given, at a cost. Must have 6 people signed up to go up.

Mitch reported on the open house at the airport Saturday. He estimates 25-30 people attended. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked about the batteries at the landfill. Mitch stated they are still waiting on the permitting. Discussion followed on what happens if someone brings in electronics/batteries.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported on a meeting with NextERA for the powerlines being put in. They are asking to have the county work on some of the roads they will have to travel, they need new culverts put in to support the weight of the trucks. They will pay the county to put in these new culverts. Discussion followed. Commissioners requested that Mark and NextERA look at options on if the county does it or could they contract out to get this done.

Mark presented an email between himself and Monarch. They would like to propose repair work on the intersection of Delaware & 1600th. This is the entrance to their east

quarry. Monarch would be willing to supply to concrete should the county wish to use it instead of asphalt chip and seal. Discussion followed.

Mark will be meeting with Bill Delich, Bettis Asphalt, this afternoon to finalize the projects being completed this year.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported on different trainings he has been a part of the last couple of months. He also attended the KEMA conference in September.

Jason stated Allen County hosted the G300 class, which is an incident management training. He will be hosting G400 training in November. Kansas Division of Emergency Management sends the instructors. Discussion followed.

Jason reported that Roberta Ellis retired after 25 years. Dispatch has had one new employee start last month, one started this week and another will start next week. This will put them at full staff until the next retirement.

Jason reported that dispatch will be getting a multi-band 800 radio console that plugs in to our system. This is provided by Homeland Security and will be no cost to the county. Discussion followed.

Jason reminded the commission that the emergency alert system test will be at 1:20 pm on Wednesday.

Jason stated he will be attended the four corners conference in December in Branson Mo. It will consist of a couple days of training with diverse group of attendees.

Chairman Lee asked about an email received from Chelsie about an Advanced Headset Interface Box. Jason will check and report back.

Chairman Lee asked about the storm siren in Mildred. Jason stated he is contacting Blue Valley? This is an outdoor warning system, meant more for people outside away from their televisions. They are not meant to be heard indoors. Discussion followed.

Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, reported there will be a public meeting on November 7th from 2:00 pm until 6:30 pm to view the updates on the new flood mapping from the Department of Agriculture. The meeting will be held at the community building at Riverside Park. Terry sent out 237 letters sent out to unincorporated areas. They are removing 85 parcels, and adding 8 different ones to the flood zones.

Chairman Lee asked if there were any concerns with the proposed 2024 holidays.

NEW YEAR'S DAY	MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY	MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024
PRESIDENTS DAY	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024
GOOD FRIDAY	FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024
MEMORIAL DAY	MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024
JUNETEENTH	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2024
INDEPENDENCE DAY	THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024
LABOR DAY	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2024
COLUMBUS DAY	MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024
VETERAN'S DAY	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2024
THANKSGIVING DAY	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2024
DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2024
CHRISTMAS EVE	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2024

CHRISTMAS DAY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2024

NEW YEAR'S EVE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2024

Commissioner Symes moved to adopt the proposed 2024 holidays as presented. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:03 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Department and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:13 a.m. No action taken.

Arlynn Briggs, citizen, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Symes commented on an email he received in recognition of employee Jimmy Skaggs. Alan and Charlotte Stewart sent an email commending Jimmy on his "wonderful and professional job" when putting in a new whistle at their property.

Arlyn Briggs, citizen, explained about his partnership with Karen Thompson, out of New Mexico. Karen Thompson is a clinical nurse. Together, they would like to start up a traveling nurse, home health clinic. He would like to discuss the building in Moran that was the old clinic. He would like to purchase this building outright and use it to start this business. The hospital facilities board is over this building currently. Discussion followed. Commissioners recommended contacting Terry Sparks and getting on the agenda for the facilities board meeting.

Arlyn asked about how the roads are being done. Discussion followed.

Arlyn asked about the tractor that was said they could not get any parts for. Mark stated the computer system went out. Discussion followed.

Jason reported back on the email from earlier. They had to purchase a piece of hardware that connects all the different components on the console. The dispatch center had one of the old ones go down and TBS recommended replacing all due to not being able to get parts for the existing ones. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes wanted to speak about the bond issue coming up. Perception in the public is that the courthouse entrances will be closed. Discussion followed.

Judge Creitz joined the meeting. Judge Creitz answered the questions about access to the courthouse and closing all the other entrances except for the south secured access. The renovated entrance just allows for the courthouse to be secure should that time come. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Letter regarding the Lola Theater from Kansas Historical Society
- b) September monthly reports from Appraisers office, Attorneys office, County Clerks Office, Public Works office, Register of Deeds Office

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 9/28/2023-\$271,306.14 & 10/2/2023-\$412,317.64
- b) Payroll – Enrollment for Rachel Wight
- c) Payroll – Change forms for Troy Smith, Levi Lampe
- d) Payroll – Vacation carryover for Daniel McMurray
- e) Clerk's Journal Entries – #47, 48, 49, 50

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned

at 10:05 a.m. until Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 10, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Rodney Burns, Auditor, Jessica Thomspson, Thrive Allen County, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the October 3, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported on the two military planes that stopped at the airport last week.

Mitch reported on the work for the new cell. The clay is not packing enough to pass inspection. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels asked about the hangar doors and electric lines at the airport. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented a new project list from Bettis based on the agreement with the State of Kansas. Work is scheduled to start this week if possible. Discussion followed.

Mark reported on a phone call from Commissioner Daniels regarding the two curves west of Humboldt that were closed several years ago. An issue is arising with citizens still using the curves. Discussion followed.

Rodney Burns, Auditor, presented the County's 2022 audit. The airport fund was in the red due to the federal projects. The ambulance, airport, and the emergency telephone funds were over budget. Discussion followed.

Discussion followed on ways to ease the budget process next year.

Rodney presented an audit contract for 2024 (audit of 2023 fiscal year) and a budget contract for 2024 (preparing the 2025 budget). The prices are remaining the same, audit for \$17,200.00 & \$3,000.00 for the federal single audit, and budget for \$1,400.00. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the contracts as presented. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Gary McIntosh, citizen, joined the meeting. Gary presented information regarding Allen County Animal Rescue Facility (ACARF) and Your Community Foundation. Your Community Foundation would like to establish endowment account to help sustain ACARF. Discussion followed. Gary is requesting the county to donate \$30,000 toward ACARF through Your Community Foundation. This \$30,000 is the interest accrued on an account set up with a donation that a previous commission approved to the Your Community Foundation. He would just like approval to transfer this over to the start of the ACARF endowment fund.

Darrin Barnett, Twins Motor Ford, joined the meeting.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, and Tim Leitnaker, American Response Vehicles, joined the meeting.

Chelsea Lea, citizen, joined the meeting.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, presented the updated quote for the EMS remount. This updated quote includes getting the chassis from Twin Motors Ford versus going through ARV. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the quote with the chassis purchase from Twin Motors for a total of \$215,506.03. Commission Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels asked about the security measures being taken in the ambulances. Michael has gotten a preliminary bid. Discussion followed.

Michael presented the commissioners with a 3rd quarter update. Discussion followed.

Michael reported that they had to have a monitor repaired back in September. He will send the invoice over.

Chelsea Lea, citizen, requested to put the Christmas light display on the south side of square. Commissioners Symes moved to approve Chelsea to put up Christmas lights. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Jessica Thompson, Thrive Allen County, reminded Mildred Conversation next Tuesday at 6.

Jessica reported that the City of Elmore is applying for a SEED Grant. She is requesting a letter of support from the commission. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Letter of Support for City of Elmore. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for contract negotiation / possible litigation. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:58 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Patrick Huff, Chad Clancy, James New, NexTran Representatives, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 10:13 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee reminding of the meeting tonight in the large courtroom at 6:30 p.m. This meeting is in regards to courtroom bond issue on the November ballot. They will start the evening giving tours.

Mitch reported he was just notified that the new hangar doors are done and will be here next Tuesday, it will take 3-4 hours to install them.

Chairman Lee stated he has been receiving calls about recycling. He will be going with Mark over to Coffey County to see how they operate their recycling. Discussion followed.

Commissioner reviewed the following documents:

- a) Solid Waste Financial statement for September 2023
- b) September 2023 Fund Status Report
- c) September 2023 monthly reports from District Court, Treasurer's office

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$65,659.43
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – #51
- c) Payroll – Enrollment forms for Ashley "Nicole" Haney, Rhegan Fischer
- d) Payroll – Change forms for Kayla Garber, Dinah Glaze
- e) Payroll – Meal reimbursement for Jason Trego
- f) Payroll – September process service- Brenda Beth, Wayne Carson, Daren Kellerman, Steve Womack, Haley Donovan

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m. until Tuesday October 17, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 17, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Vickie Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, Terry Johnson, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 10, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported that the hangar doors will be delivered today. The breakers have been changed to accommodate the new doors.

Mitch reported the painters have been scheduled to come finish the painting on the runway and taxiway.

Mitch reported that the noxious weed spraying is almost complete.

Chairman Lee asked about the landfill project. Mitch stated we are a couple weeks behind as we are waiting on more testing for the clay. They will also have to amend their operating plans in order to receive the permitting for lithium battery disposal.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported he is still researching into the curves west of Humboldt.

Mark stated we are still waiting on a third party to look into the trucks.

Mark reported he will be at the community conversation in Mildred this evening.

Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, presented information on replacing the Advance Headset Interface Box. She explained the importance of the box. She presented bids for replacing all three boxes for \$9250.00, replacing two for \$6300.00, or just replacing one for \$3750.00. Discussion followed on the different options. If she were to purchase all three at once then there will just be the one installation fee. If she only purchases two right now and then purchases the last one at a later date, she will have to pay two installation charges, which will result in a total of \$10,050.00. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the purchase of 3 new console boxes for \$9250.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Marie Parker, CASA, representing ACMAT today. They will be conducting a food drive from November 1st to December 10th. She is requesting to put a collection box by the west entrance for a food drive that will go towards the local food banks. The commissioners okayed this request.

Dee Yount, Director of Transportation CHCSEK, joined the meeting.

Commissioners discussed the purchasing policy and if the limit for approval should be amended.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:51 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 8:56 a.m. No action taken.

Becky Gray, Building Health Inc., joined the meeting. Becky and Dee Yount, CHCSEK Transportation, presented information on transportation needs. They provide free transportation for any needs, any age. They work closely with Thrive Allen County, also a member of the CTD 10 program. They are requesting a letter of support to bring general transportation to the Allen County CHCSEK clinic. Allen County would have at least one vehicle stationed at the CHCSEK clinic, with the possibility of having a second one. Discussion followed. Commissioners would like to wait a week and discuss again next meeting.

Kent Thompson, citizen, joined the meeting.

NextEra representatives joined the meeting.

Justin Wall, A-Lert Roofing, joined the meeting.

Nick Fuhr, NextEra, came with an update on their project going through Allen County. In May they received their line sighting approval from the FCC. The next item needed is the road use agreement. They plan to begin tree clearing in November. Once the road use is approved, they will do a pre-construction inventory. This is when they then video and picture the roads being used, and the county will receive a copy of this. After construction is complete, a post-construction inventory is taken. Any maintenance will be taken care of, they will repair what they think needs, they try to leave it how it started or better. NextEra has a list of items that will need to be addressed on the proposed road routes, ie: concrete culverts will be pulled out and replace with the recommended tubes. Commissioners asked if the county can contract out the road maintenance? Dick stated yes and they will pay. Counselor Bob Johnson is working with NextEra counsel on

the completing the road use agreement. NextEra reported 88% of easements are completed. Discussion followed.

Donita Garner and Michelle Meiwes, Hope Unlimited, joined the meeting.

Donita Garner & Michelle Meiwes, presented a proclamation to make October Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Michelle explained how Hope Unlimited helps those who are victim of domestic violence and sexual assaults. Commissioner Daniels moved to proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Commission Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes asked how the capital campaign is going for the new facility. Donita explained where in the process they are. The current shelter can only house 12 and they have been full for the last year.

Justin Wall, A-Lert Roof Systems, presented information on the company. A-Lert specialized in metal roofing. Designing, engineering, manufacturing, and installation are all done in-house. They offer a 20-year warranty on all roof systems. They can also do metal buildings. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client, negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:42 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:47 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee reported on his trip with Mark to Coffey County to see the recycling. It is housed in a large metal building with multiple bins. Currently they recycle 10 to 12 different types of materials, cardboard to glass to the different plastics, and newspapers. Coffey County's recommendation is to decide on 2-3 different materials to recycle and set bins at the landfill, start small and grow with the demand. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Invitation for Thrive's annual banquet
- b) September monthly statement for Hospital Board
- c) September monthly statement for Noxious Weed Department
- d) City of Iola letter regarding issuance of industrial revenue bonds

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 10/12/2023-\$369,649.81 & 10/16/2023-\$21,221.75

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m. until Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk. Chaiman David Lee was absent.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Rick Aiello, employee, Daren Kellerman, Sheriff Deputy, Lisse Regher, Thrive Allen County, Marcia Davis, Thrive Allen County, Brad Riebel, Terry Johnson, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioner Symes led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 17, 2023.

Commissioner Symes asked for public comment, Daren Kellerman, on behalf of Farm City Days, wanted to thank the commission, and Allen County businesses who stepped up when carnival was unable to be here. He also recognized Ron Holman, Teena Solander, Rick Aiello. He stated Farm City Days was a success again this year.

Daren, on behalf of Sheriff Murphy, requested for the county to participate in Operation Green Light. He is asking to pass Resolution 202312 A Resolution of Support for Operation Green Light, recognizing all veterans.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 202312

**Resolution of Support for Operation Green Light,
recognizing all veterans.**

WHEREAS, the residents of Allen County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all of the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of those who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Allen County seeks to honor individuals who have made countless sacrifices for freedom by placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, veterans continue to serve our community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veteran Service Officers in 29 states to help fellow former service members access more than \$52 billion in federal health, disability and compensation benefits each year; and

WHEREAS, approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 20 percent increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that 44-72 percent of service members experience high levels of stress during transition from military to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, active military service members transitioning from military service are at a high risk for suicide during their first year after military service; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties and the Kansas Association of Counties encourages all counties, parishes and boroughs to recognize Operation Green Light for Veterans; and

WHEREAS, Allen County appreciates the sacrifices of our United State military personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, with designation as a Green Light for Veterans County, Allen County declares from October 30th through Veterans Day, November 11th, 2023, as a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform transitioning from Active Service; therefore, be it further

RESOLVED, that in observance of Operation Green Light, all citizens are encouraged, in patriotic tradition, to recognize the importance of honoring all those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve freedom by displaying a green light in a window of their place of business or residence or outside of the same.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Resolution 202312. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Kim Ensminger, USD 256 Superintendent, joined the meeting.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported the hangar doors are replaced. Discussion followed on what to do with the old doors.

Mitch presented a picture of the plane crash that happened Friday evening. The pilot ran out of fuel and landed a few miles from the airport. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported the stripping company should have the stripping finished by the end of the month.

Mitch reported on the landfill expansion. The clay and dirt is not passing inspection. KDHE is recommending to build a test pad to add a filler to. The cost to construct the test pad will add \$33,572.00 to the total cost of the project. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the construction of the test pad. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported we should be getting one of our trucks back tomorrow. Discussion followed.

Mark stated they are getting ready to have to do some blasting out at the quarry.

Mark reported that he was told to get our engineer involved with the curves west of Humboldt.

Commissioner Symes asked if the blasting in the quarry would free up an area for the monofil. Discussion followed.

Kim Ensminger, USD 256 Superintendent, requesting a letter of support for a grant to help with an early childhood childcare facility.

Dear Members of the Kansas Children's Cabinet,

The Allen County Commissioners wish to express our support for the establishment and operation of an Early Childhood Center at the Marmaton Valley School District. This initiative aligns perfectly with our county's commitment to providing high-quality educational opportunities for our youngest residents and their families.

Early childhood education plays a pivotal role in the development of our children. It not only provides a strong foundation for academic success but also promotes social and emotional growth that is essential for a well-rounded individual. By establishing an Early Childhood Center, Marmaton Valley is taking a significant step toward ensuring that our county's children have access to the best educational experiences from an early age.

We applaud Marmaton Valley School District for taking the initiative to establish this School-Based Early Childhood Center, which will serve as a valuable resource for families in eastern Allen County. The center's commitment to providing a nurturing, inclusive, and enriching environment for young children aligns perfectly with our county's values and goals.

In conclusion, we commend Marmaton Valley Schools for its visionary approach to early childhood education and its dedication to our county's youngest citizens. We look forward to witnessing the positive impact this School-Based Early Childhood Center will have on the lives of our children and the overall prosperity of eastern Allen County.

Please feel free to reach out to our office at 620-365-1407 if there is anything further we can do to support their efforts in this endeavor. We are excited about the future of this project and the positive change it will bring to our county.

This will house pre-school and infant to age 5 daycare. Facility will house 53 spots for childcare. It will be located west of the junior high building, east side of playground. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the letter of support. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Marcia Davis, Thrive Allen County, reported on the conversation in Mildred held on October 17. There was 16 residents in attendance. The items discussed as needing improvement were West Virginia Rd, sidewalks, community involvement, more business,

and more awareness. They discussed possible signage. They also voiced concerns with abandoned property owned by the railroad. Could cleaner sidewalks work as the walking trail. The top 3 priorities were decided to be clean up the town, more resident involvement, and community health. Discussion followed.

Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, reported she was in conversation with CHC concerning transportation. 5311 classifications cannot have duplication of services. Discussion followed.

Lisse stated that in regards to USD 256's request that the Allen County Childcare taskforce agreed that the eastern side of Allen County was in the most need for the childcare facility.

Don Doherty, Northwestern Mutual, Gary McIntosh, Logan Booth, Booth McIntosh Insurance, joined the meeting.

Brad Riebel, Midwest Engineering Group, opened bids for the water line expansion on Minnesota Rd. They only received 2 bids. The timeline for the project is 3 months approximately. It should start about 30 days after approval, dependent on the company's schedule. Bid #1 was from Goins Enterprises for \$1,313,127.00. Bid #2 was from Bennett Inc. for \$ 757,228.00. The engineer's estimate was \$464,148 based off recent bids that had been done at that time. The engineers will take these back to check for accuracy and once done will issue a letter of recommendation.

Gary McIntosh, Booth McIntosh Insurance & Don Doherty, Northwester Mutual, presented a proposal to become insurance broker for Allen County. Discussion followed.

Jacob Cochran, District Representative for Jake LaTurner's office, introduced himself to the commission. He stated he is out of the Pittsburg office. He encouraged the commissioners to call with any concerns.

Commissioners discussed an invoice for monitor maintenance done for EMS. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve payment of invoice for \$4689.30. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.0

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, reported she has set the canvass of the November 7, 2023 General Election for 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client for possible litigation. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 2-0-0. The time is now 9:50 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:55 a.m. No action taken.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, presented an email in regards to the Moran Clinic. Ron will go over and check it occasionally.

Ron reported on the Humboldt Food Pantry project. Things are moving along.

Ron discussed getting a large pre-lit wreath on the west entrance. Ron presented information on the elevator. TK Elevator has been to work on the elevator 3 times in the last 6 weeks. Bids were received by TK elevator to upgrade the door system on the elevator for \$9860.00. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the upgraded door system for \$9860.00. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 2-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$630,962.43

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m. until Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

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David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 31, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, DeWayne Miller, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the October 24, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Patty Dozier, citizen, joined the meeting.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported the crashed airplane has been picked up by the pilot's insurance company.

Mitch presented information on the difference in cost for the landfill cell based on 3% or 4% Bentonite Soil Amendment. They will use the test pad to determine if the 3% or the 4% Bentonite is needed. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported the striping company will be here tomorrow, they had been delayed due to weather.

Mitch stated the new lighting for the airport will not be started until next year.

Mitch asked if the commission would rather take just the lithium batteries or all electronics? It matters when it comes to submitting for the new permitting. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated they are still working on drawings for the location of the monofil.

Mitch discussed options for the 2006 Explorer we just received back from EMS. Mitch stated they could use the Explorer in place of one of their trucks. Then that truck could be switched out with Ron Holman's maintenance truck. Discussion followed.

DeWayne Miller, St John's Parrish representative, is requesting for St. John's Parrish to hold a rosary rally for all first responders. This would take place at the bandstand on Friday,

November 10th at 3:00 p.m. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the use of the bandstand for the rosary rally. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Patty Dozier, citizen, reported she has been trying to get some work done on her ditch. She said she has already spoken to the Road & Bridge Department. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee reported on a nomination form for KWORCC voting delegates. Commissioner Symes moved for Chairman Lee to be the voting delegate, with Commissioner Daniels as the alternate. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee reported on a phone call from Patrick with NexTran. Patrick will be sending an email with information regarding trade in values for the trucks they were working on. Discussion followed.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported that President Biden declared the July 14h storm as a disaster. This means we can seek reimbursement. Discussion followed.

Jason reported on a Hazard Mitigation Grant that they will be submitting a letter to for a new storm siren in Mildred.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:00 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:15 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes asked about a letter of support for the Coordinated Transit District #10. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the letter of support. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported back on a question if whole cell phones and laptops will be accepted when keeping the lithium batteries in a separate site. He says they can be accepted.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Change order for MSW Cell 2 Construction
- b) Information on Operation Green Light
- c) K-State Extension Open House November 7, 2023

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 10/26/2023-\$387,375.60 & 10/30/2023-\$175,561.74
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 52
- c) Payroll – Enrollment for Ethan Collins
- d) Payroll – Reimbursements for Bruce Symes, Jerry Hathaway, Terry Call, Jerry Daniels, Travis Buck, Bryan Murphy, Misty Rice
- e) Motor Vehicle compensation for Darolyn Maley & Election compensation for Shanno Patterson
- f) Letter of Commitment for local matching funds for Kansas Department of Transportation grant

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:19 a.m. until Tuesday November 7, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

November 7, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Vickie Moss, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Jared Wheeler, Thrive Allen County Economic Development Director, Terry Johnson, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 31, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported the painting on the taxiway is complete. They are still waiting on the supplies to come in to begin work on the lights, PAPIs, and AWOS system. The electric still needs completed as well.

Mitch stated they have gotten the vehicles switched around after receiving the old EMS vehicle.

Mitch reported they are still working on building the test pad. They are also waiting on the new electric poles and line to be put in.

Mitch reported he spoke Kenny Shetlar about putting in a bin to recycle #2 clear plastic, milk jugs. Kenny would bring the container and then haul it off when full. The revised operating plan needs to be approved before we can begin with the recycling; it is filed with KDHE. Discussion followed. Commissioners would like to begin with the #2 plastics as soon as we get the approval.

Chairman Lee mentioned that the north side of Nebraska has trash in tree line. Can we please get that picked up as soon as possible?

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported that Bill Delich, Bettis Asphalt, informed him they should begin Country Club Heights end of this week or beginning of next. Discussion followed.

Mark reported on the Asphalt meeting he attended last week. Discussion followed.

Mark stated the engineers have looked at the areas we want to put the curves back in. If we decide to put the curves back in, we will need to have an engineering study done of that area. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee asked about the bridge project on Nebraska Rd. Mark stated they should be pouring the top today, they are over schedule.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, presented Resolution 202313.

Resolution No. 202313

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALLEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM CALENDAR YEAR 2024

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS,

Section 1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223, the Board of County Commissioners expressed its intent to participate in the Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ) student loan repayment program.

Section 2. Allen County has been designated a Rural Opportunity Zone pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,222. As of July 1, 2022, the County population was 12,464 as certified by the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Section 3. Allen County Commissioners hereby obligate Allen County to participate in the ROZ student loan repayment program as provided by K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223 for a period of five years, which shall be irrevocable.

Section 4. Allen County agrees to pay in equal shares with the State of Kansas the outstanding student loan balance of any resident individual for five years if the resident individual meets the terms of qualification provided by the State of Kansas in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223, and the appropriate rules and regulations. The number of qualified resident individuals receiving such payments will be subject to the availability of funds.

Section 5. Allen County intends to enter into partnerships with Cities, Employers, and Foundations for the direct sponsorship of Rural Opportunity Zone Applicants. Sponsored Applicants must meet all qualifications of the ROZ program. All sponsorships will be subject to ROZ student loan repayment rules and regulations.

Section 6. The maximum student loan balance for each qualified resident individual to be repaid jointly by Allen County and the State of Kansas shall be \$15,000 over a term of five years.

Section 7. Allen County shall allocate \$0.00 a year for the purpose of matching payments from the State of Kansas to qualified resident individuals. Allen County shall revise its ROZ budget on an annual basis submitting a new Resolution to the State of Kansas by January 30th each year. Allen County shall submit their obligation in full to the Department of Commerce before the first day of October each year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be published once in the official county newspaper and shall be in effect from and after its date of publication.

Adopted this 7th day of November, 2023 by the Board of Allen County Commissioners, Allen County, Kansas.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS

Discussion followed on what the Rural Opportunity Zone Program is. Commissioner Symes moved to adopt Resolution 202313. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon presented the 5310 Elderly & Disabled Transportation Grant. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the chairman's signature on the 5310 grant. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon shared with the commissioners a bid she received to upgrade the security for election equipment storage. There is a grant opportunity that will reimburse 90%. Decisions will be made later this year if the applications were approved or not.

Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, introduced Jared Wheeler, the new economic development director.

Lisse wanted to inform the public that it is open enrollment for Medicare, Medicaid, and health insurance. Thrive will help the public in enrolling for benefits.

Lisse relayed information regarding the project for Rural Water District #8. Brad Riebel with Midwest Engineering was present on October 24 to open bids. His recommendation is Bennet Inc. The bids that came in were roughly 39% greater than the engineer's expectations. Discussion followed. Rachel Moore will be present later to answer any questions.

Commissioner Symes reported that Iola will now have a VA clinic. It was said to be located here in the old Family Physicians building. Remodel is slated to begin December 10 and projected to open on May 1st. The clinics in Fort Scott, Chanute and Garnett all closing so we will be a central location.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:20 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:30 a.m. No action taken.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:30 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:40 a.m. No action taken.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, following up on information given by Lisse. She stated she is in communication with the BASE Grant office with questions on funding the gap made by inflation. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked Bob if we need some kind of policy or agreement for the recycling bins being placed at the landfill. It was decided to discuss on a case-by-case basis.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Public notice for Kansas Water Pollution Control Permits
- b) Solid Waste Assurance Financials for October 2023
- c) October 2023 Fund Status Report
- d) October 2023 monthly reports for Appraiser's office, Attorney's office, Register of Deeds office, Public Works, County Clerk's office, Treasurer's office

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 10/30/23-\$2,986.14, 11/6/23-\$121,832.23
- b) Payroll – Change form for Dathan McMurtrey
- c) Payroll – Vacation Carryover for Mitchell Garner & Kevin Covey
- d) Clerk's journal entries - #53, 54

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m. until Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Sarah Haney, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Rick Aiello, employee, Lisse Regher, Thrive Allen County, Jessica Thompson, Thrive Allen County, Terry Johnson, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on November 7, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported that the landfill test pad construction has been delayed. The truck delivering the machine was in an accident in Dallas, Tx.

Mitch reported EPA for dirt removal will be back in the spring. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that the new operating plan has been submitted to KDHE and they are now waiting on approval.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported the overlay on country club heights is going well.

Mark presented information on the curves west of Humboldt. It would be next spring before anything would be able to be done.

Lisse, Thrive, reported that they are still waiting to hear from the HUB, but otherwise they have not been able to find any other grants to help fund the Rural Water District #8 project. Jerry stated B&G will provide a list of options to trim some of the scope on the remainder of the Airport Industrial Park project. An archeological study will need to be done. Discussion followed.

Terry Call, Zoning, reported on the 5 archeologists he contacted that are approved by the State to work in Kansas. KB Archaeological Consulting quoted a cost of \$5456.00. Terry informed the commissioners that the field study will last 1-2 days, then it will take approximately 4-6 weeks to write report, and then it will be sent to the State. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve KB Archaeological Consulting to perform the study for \$5456.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee commented on how 4 different companies want to be our insurance brokers. He is wondering if we need an outside party to come look at the proposals to see if they are apples to apples comparisons. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked if the archeological study could possibly delay the process even more if something is found. Commissioner Daniels states yes that is a possibility. Terry stated if the survey comes back clean, they can switch from boring to open trench which could save money.

Lisse reported they have some interns that she would like to have come in and give a report on the community conversations they are holding at the schools.

Stacey Fager, USD 257 Superintendent, Jenna Higginbotham, USD 257 Curriculum Director & Preschool Coordinator, Sherri O'Rear, Ready Set Learn Preschool, Hayley Westerman, Munchkinland and More Childcare Center, joined the meeting.

Chairman Lee opened the Canvass of the November 7, 2023 City School General Election. Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, presented the provisional ballots. She explained the reasonings for such provisional ballots. There are 22 total. Of the 22 ballots, 13 were counted and 9 were not. Commissioner Symes moved to certify the November 7, 2023 General Election results. Commission Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Jenna Higginbotham, Sherri O'Rear, and Hayley Westerman, are requesting a letter of support. They are requesting this apply for the Capital Project Fund Accelerator Grant to build a Mustang Community Learning Center. Jenna explained the needs they are seeing in the community. The plan is to build this center at the east end of the playground area located at the lola Elementary School. lola USD 257 and Munchkinland and More Childcare Center are partnering to apply for this grant. This will potentially add 31 new daycare spots. Jenna stated there is a need for more infant childcare availability. Commissioner Symes moved to sign the letter of support. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners have cancelled the meeting on December 5, 2023 as they will be at the KAC conference.

Commissioners discussed the last meeting of the year. Tuesday December 26, 2023 is a holiday for the County. It was decided to hold the regular meeting in conjunction with the year end meeting scheduled for Friday, December 29, 2023 at 12:30 p.m.

Commissioners discussed the LAVTR and the outlook of it beginning again.

Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, reported on a zoning hearing held on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Dan Stanley applied to put in commercial self-storage units on his property located at 368 1600th St, Humboldt. He plans to allow access during daylight hours. The planning board moved to recommend approval. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the request. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Minutes from Dan Stanley zoning hearing
- b) CTD10 Minutes from August 16, 2023 meeting
- c) October 2023 monthly report for Noxious Weed

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$58,328.57
- b) Payroll – Change forms for Dallas Merritt & Kevin Turner
- c) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Darcy Burton
- d) Payroll – Longevity payouts for 2024

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:03 a.m. until Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Chelsie Decker, 911 Communications Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Tim Stauffer, Iola Register representative, Sarah Haney, Iola Register representative, Jared Wheeler, Thrive Allen County Economic Development Director, Humboldt High School Intro to Law students, Eric Carlson, Humboldt High School teacher, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the November 14, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. Robert Johnson, County Counselor, introduced 10 students from Humboldt High School taking an Intro to Law class and their teacher Eric Carlson.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported KDHE sent back the operating plan to change some of the wording. They will get that resubmitted.

Mitch reported that the cost of the new hangar doors will not be reimbursed by FEMA because we had insurance, but they will reimburse the deductible. Commissioner Daniels asked if we could look at replacing the remaining two doors on the hangar. Only 4 of the 6 doors were damaged in the July storm. Can we quote two new doors to match the others. Discussion followed.

Debbie Bearden and Clara Misenhelter, Allen County Grow Food & Farm Council, joined the meeting.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported that we should have the new fleet of trucks in by end of month. He is also getting the trucks ready for snow removal.

Mark stated he is working on signage to be able to put the curves back in. Discussion followed.

Chelsie Decker, 911 Communications Director, requesting wage increases for all of her employees, and to also increase the starting wages. She presented information on the difference in starting wages between Allen County, City of Chanute, Anderson County, Neosho County, Woodson County, and Bourbon County. We are below all of these entities except for Bourbon County. Her proposal is for a 7% increase along with the COLA increase. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes stated he appreciates everything her staff does and the coverages we offer. The commissioners would like time to consider this request.

Chelsie stated she has 3 people in training and they are doing well. Discussion followed. She is anticipating another retirement in the early part of 2024, so they will be looking to hire for that position.

Debbie Bearden & Clara Misenhelter, Allen County Grow Food & Farm Council, gave the 2023 annual report. Some highlights of 2023 are receiving an \$800 grant that allowed "Protein for Pantries", earned a \$1000 grant to put garden beds at the food pantry garden in LaHarpe and Moran, development of a food assessment with results being used at the retreat in January 2024 to see what needs to focus on in 2024. Debbie requested that Paige Olson be appointed to the council. Commissioner Symes moved to

approve the appointment of Paige Olson to the Grow Council. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Terry Call reported he was contacted about putting in an 80-acre solar farm east of Humboldt. He has asked the party to submit the scope of the project to him. He is wondering if we need to revisit the solar regulations draft he had submitted previously. He stated he had changed the windfarm regulations to fit the solar. Commissioners asked if can we borrow from another county to get ours created.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, asked the Commission if they would like to participate in the wellness blood draws again in 2024. They stated yes. Tentatively scheduled for February 8, 2024 and registrations will open up after the first of the year.

Commissioners asked if the Archaeological study has been completed. Terry stated yes it has been and reports are being compiled now.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:20 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jared Wheeler, Thrive Allen County Economic Development Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:35 a.m. No action taken.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:38 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Jared Wheeler, Thrive Allen County Economic Development Director. Commissioners reconvened at 9:43 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Sheriff's office monthly reports from August, September, October
- b) Allen County Fair Board financials from August, September, October
- c) Hospital Board Financial reports from Larry Peterson for October
- d) Letter from Kansas Historical Society regarding the lola Theater
- e) Information on the Your Community Foundation Giving Tuesday fundraiser
- f) EMC Insurance claim information

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$209,560.13
- b) Payroll – Mileage reimbursements for Terry Call & Amy Wilson
- c) Payroll – October process service for Brenda Beth, Daren Kellerman, Haley Donovan, Steve Womack
- d) Payroll – Vacation carryover request for Donna Kovacic, 11.5 hours
- e) Payroll – Holiday bonus
- f) Payroll – Sick leave payout over 720 hours
- g) Payroll – Transfer of leave to another employee requests from Daren Kellerman, Patrick Cash, Daniel McMurray

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m. until Tuesday November 28, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

November 28, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Sarah Haney, Iola Register Representative, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, Chelsie Decker, 911 Communications Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Jared Wheeler, Thrive Allen County Economic Development Director, Marcia Davis, Thrive Allen County, Christopher Holloway, Thrive Intern, Shelby Peters, Thrive Intern, Brigham Folk, Thrive Intern, Terry Johnson, citizen, Robert Johnson, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on November 21, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported the contractors will be building the test pad this week.

Mitch stated they are still waiting on electric line work at airport.

Mitch reported that KDHE has yet to approve the new landfill operating plan.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported the bridge at 2200 and Nebraska should be getting overlaid this soon. This project has taken longer than projected.

Mark is still looking at the curves and should have a plan to present in the next couple of weeks.

Mark reported that Country Club Heights overlay is done.

Christopher Holloway, Shelby Peters, Brigham Folk, Thrive Interns, presented information regarding their community conversation with Marmaton Valley High School held on November 13, 2023. The major concern that the freshman class had was their school's track. Currently, when having track practice, the athletes run on the highway. The track is currently a gravel track, and this does not allow them to hold home track meets. They would need a KSHA approved track to do so. They feel that it would boost their economy to be able to hold a meet. Many students talked about how close their community is. Some students also stated they would like to have a recreation building. Chairman Lee asked if they are planning to attending other schools. They do plan to go to Humboldt and Iola High schools, as well as going to the College to speak to those students. Chris, Shelby and Brigham are all high school seniors with Iola High School. Other students are interning at the hospital and the elementary school. Discussion followed.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds, updated the commission on the Humboldt Food Pantry project. The heating and air are being finished. They are still waiting on the restroom fixtures to be able to complete that part of the project.

Chelsie Decker, 911 Communications Director, presented a cost estimate to attend the Standards & Best Practices conference. This conference is being held in Clearwater, Florida on January 15-18, 2024. She is estimating the cost to be \$2449. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the attendance of the conference. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chelsie reported they are hosting a training out at the college. It is a 3-day course, yesterday, today, and tomorrow. She has her new hires in attendance. This class will earn the attendees their emergency medical dispatch certification.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:50 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:00 a.m. No action taken.

Chairman Lee opened the 2023 Allen County Budget Amendment Hearing. Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, explained we are needing to amend the budget authority for the Ambulance Fund, Noxious Weed Fund, and the Emergency Phone Equipment Fund. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the 2023 Allen County Amended Budget. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, presented information on proposed wage increases for his department. He is suggesting a 6.8% increase to be able to attract employees. He currently only has one applicant and he is only staffed at about half capacity. He is also looking to increase the starting wages for the jail as well. Increase in both budgets would total about \$92,929.00. Discussion followed. Chairman Lee is asking for a little more time to consider the numbers.

Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, reported that Roger Fogleman will be retiring at the end of this year.

Commissioner Symes asked what the county needs to be doing to prepare for the new state park? Lisse explained everything they are doing along with the Linda from the state. Lisse stated they have starting staking off the areas for the cabins. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked about the interest earned in our Your Community Foundation fund, in regards to the Patterson matching funds grant. It was stated that the matching funds grant only applied to "new money" being donated, not funds that are currently sitting there.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:28 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:33 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:34 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:44 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners discussed raises for 2024. Commissioner Symes moved to approve a 4% COLA effective January 1, 2024. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

There will be no meeting on December 5th due to Commissioners being at the Kansas Association of Counties conference held in Wichita.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$194,163.11
- b) Payroll – Vacation Carryover for Crystal Richey, 49.75 hours.
- c) Clerk's journal entry #55

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m. until Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

December 12, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Symes and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Sarah Haney, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, Rick Aiello, employee, Jared Wheeler, Thrive Allen County Economic Development Director, Terry Johnson, citizen, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on November 28, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported the test pad for the new landfill cell passed at 3% bentonite; they are moving forward with it now.

Mitch reported that KDHE approved the new operating plan for the landfill. He will now be able to place the container for plastic jugs and batteries. Mitch will call Mr. Shetlar to get the container delivered.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy joined the meeting.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported he got a call back from Van Keppel in Joplin about the distributor truck. They can upgrade the electrical for around \$80,000. This truck only has 26,000 miles. It will most likely come out of the 2024 budget. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the \$80,000 rebuild for the distributor

truck, with Mark asking for clarification on time frame. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, reported the survey crew is coming back today for 1 hour for a little more field work. He stated the report is almost complete. Bob Johnson, County Counselor, reported that Joe Works and Robert Walden have signed the easements for the project and he will be taking those to get filed.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, joined the meeting.

Chairman Lee asked Terry if he knew where we were at in revenue from Ambulance. Discussion followed.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, reported that the Humboldt Food Pantry is done. A few final touches are still being completed but they are ready to start moving in.

Ron asked if the commissioners would be interested in him getting quotes to have the Lola Senior Center painted. Commissioners stated yes.

Michael Burnett, EMS Director, reported that Olathe Med is the only place that can work on the ambulances and do the alignments. This is why they were taken there. Michael explained that they do try to use Twin Motors as much as possible but with alignments they must go elsewhere. Commissioner Symes stated he would like a little bit of a heads up when work like this is needing done. Discussion followed.

Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, Allen County Treasurer, joined the meeting.

Jared Wheeler, Economic Development Director, presented an award document based on the bid proposal from Bennett Inc, in regards to the water line project for the BASE Grant. The commissioners have 60 days to sign the award document. Discussion followed.

Jared reported the Moderate-Income Housing house being built in Humboldt was visited by Rachel Moore yesterday. She took pictures and Jared presented those. The downstairs shower is unfinished. The builder decided to let that be customization for the buyer. The original plan was to complete the downstairs and let the buyer finish the upstairs to their liking. Commissioners would like to see the downstairs bathroom completed and functional. The expectation was the downstairs would be finished. Discussion followed.

Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, Treasurer, updated the commissioners about the 2024 City of Lola Neighborhood Revitalization Program. She has contacted the programmers to get the new plan set up. She was told this will have to be a custom plan due to the county staying at the staggered rebate, while the 3 other entities are rebating 100% for all 10 years. She was informed it could take up to 3 months for the proposal; then it is up the programmers, who schedule due to priority. Our appraiser's office will have to have the new program ready by June 1st to enter the properties into this new plan. Discussion followed on the difference between what the county is doing versus what the other entities in that plan are doing. Chairman Lee stated he wonders if the other entities should help shoulder the cost of the programming. Commissioner Daniels stated let's get the proposal and go from there. Options would be to accept the bid, deny the bid, or we could relook at our participation in this new 2024 plan.

Commissioner Symes asked if the others would be okay with putting a link to the KAC toolkit, in particular the video regarding LAVTR, on the website. They stated that would be a good idea.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:15 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:20 a.m. No action taken.

Stephen Euston, Bukaty Companies, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:21 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:26 a.m. No action taken.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, joined the meeting.

Gary McIntosh, Dawn Murray, and Julie Payne joined the meeting.

Stephen Euston, Bukaty companies, presented pre-renewal information. He reported he has everything out to market right now, waiting on that information to come back. Stephen went through the packet and explained the information presented. Stephen explained what the insurance companies look at when figuring out the new year rates. Discussion followed.

Rachel Moore, Thrive Allen County, answering question from previous conversation with Jared Wheeler. Commissioner Symes asked about the Moderate-Income Housing project in Humboldt. He is concerned with the downstairs shower not being completed. The other commissioners agreed to this. Rachel reported that the architect is who decided to not finish the downstairs shower. Commissioner Daniels will be speaking with the architect about the bathroom.

Commissioners verified with Rachel the original estimate for the water line project in reference to the award document with Bennett Inc. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes also verified the 60-day award period, was it from the date of bid opening or from today's date. Rachel stated it was from the bid opening on October 24, 2023.

Gary McIntosh, citizen, introduced Dawn Murray and Julie Payne, ACARF representatives. Gary explained his efforts in trying to help raise funds for ACARF. Chairman Lee asked about the deficit showing in the paperwork Gary presented. Dawn explained what this means for ACARF. They are noticing that the donations coming in are slowing down, even though costs are rising to run the shelter. Commissioner Daniels asked what they would like to see from the County. Julie stated they would possibly like to see the county provide something monthly. Commissioner Daniels asked about the funds already with the Community Foundation. He also asked what all our interest funds could be used for? ACARF has a small contract fee with the City of Lola, \$95 per dog that the city brings to them. Discussion followed. Commissioners would like a little more time to see what can be done to help ACARF.

Commissioners came back to the discussion on starting wages from the Sheriff's office, from two weeks ago. Sheriff Murphy is asking to increase his starting wage for detention officers to \$17.00 and \$20.00 for deputies. This would be about \$1.00 increase after our 4% COLA for 2024. The jail is currently down 2 employees and deputies are down 5. If the starting wage is increased, Sheriff Murphy stated he has 6 in jail that will need to be bumped up to meet the minimum wage. Commissioner Symes reported on information he learned at KAC conference about signing bonuses. Discussion followed. Commissioners would like to see what the overall increase for next year would be if the wage was increased.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, presented 2 Ceral Malt Beverage License renewal applications for the Mildred Store. One is for on premises and the other is for off premises. Shannon stated she spoke with Sheriff Murphy and he approved. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the Ceral Malt Beverage License renewal application for the Mildred Store. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners mentioned that LAVTR was a large discussion at KAC. There is a large push for the state to start this back up. The legislature will most likely be hearing items concerning this when sessions begin in January. So, if the public wants to write their local representatives, now would be the time to do so.

Chairman Lee commented that Allen County is lucky to have a hospital, as at KAC he learned that is not the case in some counties.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 11:05 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 11:20 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to approve Chairman Lee's signature on the award letter for Bennett Inc, for a total of \$757,228.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Memo from BG Consultants
- b) NACo membership letter
- c) November Financials from Larry Peterson for Hospital Board
- d) KAC membership letter
- e) The League of Kansas Municipalities Municipal Resource Catalog & letter
- f) November monthly reports from Appraiser's office, Attorney's office, County Clerk's office, District Court, Noxious Weed Dept., Public Work's office, Register of Deeds' office, Treasurer's office
- g) November Fund Status Report
- h) BG Consultants holiday card
- i) November Solid Waste Financial Statement
- j) Adds: Oil, Value 86,200, \$13,678.42, Year 2023

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$888,148.52
- b) Payroll – Mileage reimbursements for David Lee, Bruce Symes, Jerry Daniels
- c) Payroll – Change forms for Dana Dawn, Daren Kellerman
- d) Clerk's Journal Entries –#56, 57, 58, 59, 60
- e) Abatements: RE, Value 25,884, \$4,107.12, Year 2023
SA, \$150.00, Year 2023
PP, Value 6,173, \$1,052.40, Year 2023
TR, Value 10,413, \$ 1,445.40, Year 2023
Oil, Value 369, \$60.54, Year 2023

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m. until Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

December 19, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David Lee, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Jill Allen, Deputy Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Daniel Schowengerdt, County Counselor Representative, Sarah Haney, Iola Register, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Jared Wheeler, Thrive, Terry Johnson, and Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the December 12, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported on the landfill cell. The projected completion date is the end of March.

Mitch reported on the airport project. He will get three bids for both wooden hangars and metal hangars.

There will be a container for #2 milk jugs at the landfill. There will be barrels for different batteries. The batteries will end up in Pittsburg at Southeast Kansas Recycling.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported on the final checklist for the bridge on Nebraska & 2200 St.

Mark discussed the road agreement for Blackberry.

Chairman Lee asked about the pothole patcher. Mark explained how the cold affects the use of such.

Jami Clark, Allen County Appraiser, reported the copier in her office is beyond repair. She shared the bids she got from Copy Products - \$2895.00 Toshiba or \$1495.00 Brother & Modern Copy - \$1050.00 Kyocera or \$1363 Kyocera. She has money in the GIS fund. Jami will find out the price toners will be for said copiers and make a decision.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes for Attorney/Client Privilege, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:58 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Daniel Schowengerdt, Mark Griffith and Patrick Huff, James New & Chad Clancy, Mack Truck Representatives by phone. Commissioners reconvened at 9:18 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes for Attorney/Client Privilege, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:19 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Daniel Schowengerdt, Mark Griffith and Patrick Huff, James New & Chad Clancy, Mack Truck Representatives by phone. Commissioners reconvened at 9:39 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Allen County Maintenance Dept Inventory
- b) Services to the Elderly Van Inventory
- c) Register of Deeds Inventory
- d) Escape – Oil, Value 17,509, \$2,872.26, Year 2023

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$112,442.47
- b) Payroll – Payroll changes for Doug Campbell & Lisa Sears
- c) Payroll – Reimbursements for Terry Call, Rhegan Fischer, Shannon Patterson, Mitch Garner
- d) Payroll – Process servers for Brenda Beth, Dallas Merritt, Daren Kellerman, Steve Womack & Haley Donovan
- e) Abatements - RE Value 26,162, \$3,843.08, Year 2023
PP Value 20,140, \$3,220.70, Year 2023
TR Value 3,053, \$ 423.80, Year 2023
Oil, Value 17,509, \$2,872.26, Year 2023

With no further business to come before the board, Chairman Lee moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m. until Friday, December 29, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

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OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

December 29, 2023

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 12:30 p.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner (by conference call), Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Robert Johnson, Allen County Counselor (by conference call), Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on December 19, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, presented a draft flyer on battery disposal and plastic recycling. Commissioner Symes suggested to change wording about the recyclables. Mitch stated he has ordered 6 barrels to have at the landfill.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported they received the pot hole patching material. He explained this material works better during the winter when its not warm enough for the oil. Discussion followed on difference between hot mix and cold mix.

Mark reported they have been working on tree cleanup.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported on the Hazard Mitigation Funding Grant that he applied for to install a new storm siren for Mildred. This application was denied. Jason has estimated that it will cost \$23,000 to fully replace the siren, pole and electric. The current siren in Mildred is not functioning at all at this time. Discussion followed. Chairman Lee asked Jason to speak with Thrive about grant opportunities and then bring this back into discussion on Tuesday.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy asked if a decision had been made on the starting wage increases? Sheriff stated he has done 3 interviews as of today. He is currently 1 short in the jail. He has moved one from jail to the road and has one deputy hired, so that puts him currently 3 short now. He is requesting \$17.00 for the jail and \$20.00 for deputies. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee read Resolution 202314 Allen County Special Machinery Fund.

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 202314
ALLEN COUNTY SPECIAL MACHINERY FUND**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas:

WHEREAS, in accordance with K.S.A. 68-141F and K.S.A. 68-141G will hereby transfer \$600,000.00 from Allen County Public Works Fund to Allen County Special Machinery fund an amount not to exceed twenty-five (25%) credit to the Public Works Fund. All moneys credited to the Special Machinery Fund shall be used by Allen County for the purpose of purchasing road or bridge building machinery or equipment or the building of bridges and such fund shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2925 to 79-2937 or acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto, except that in making the budgets of Allen County the amounts credited to and the amount expended there from shall be shown thereon for the information of the taxpayers of Allen County.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 29th day of December 2023.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER
OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

David E. Lee, Chairman

Daniels, Commissioner

Symes, Commissioner

Jerry

Bruce

ATTESTED:

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Commissioner Symes moved to approve Resolution 202314. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee reported on some paperwork from Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, PA. The hospital facilities board would like to work with them for the Schedule of Bond Activity. They have used BKD in the past. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Lee's signature for Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips letter. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, reported the survey of the land for the airport industrial park project is done and we have received the report. Everything was fine on the study. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Phase II Archaeological Survey for the Allen County Airport Industrial Park Improvements Project Report
- b) December monthly reports for Attorney's office, Sheriff's office,
- c) November monthly report for Sheriff's office
- d) Inventories – Allen County 911, Treasurer's office, Road & Bridge, Public Works, Iola Seniors Inc, Meals on Wheels.
- e) Add: Gas, Value 770, \$114.07, Year 2023

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$176,589.73
- b) Payroll – Cleaning stipend paid to Darcy Burton
- c) Clerk's journal entries #61, 62, 63, 64
- d) Abatements: PP, Value 3,382, \$ 511.78, Year 2023
TR, Value 647, \$111.56, Year 2023
Oil, Value 769, \$113.92, Year 2023

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 12:57 p.m. until Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner