

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register and Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, were present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the March 31, 2015 meeting.

Bill Maness, District Representative for US Senator Jerry Moran, joined the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, requested having a pin oak removed. Discussion followed. Commissioners approved the pin oak be removed and replaced. Ron suggested red buds.

Ron discussed a SEED grant program he has applied for to enhance the courthouse lawn.

Ron presented bids for painting the courthouse. Bids were received from Superior Builders LLC for \$48,685.00; Pro Painting & More for \$51,100.00 and Mid-Continental Restoration for \$68,430.00. Commissioners discussed not painting for a while, but will reconsider after the windows have been replaced.

Jana Taylor, Small business Group representative, requested to use space on the courtyard, if needed on May 9th, 2015. This is to promote an Iola Market Day to help small businesses promote their businesses. Jana explained how it would work and the reason would be to draw in persons passing through Iola. Commissioners approved.

Bill Maness reported TIGER (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery) Grant Program FY2015 is available for transportation projects. There will be \$500 million available for grants in this round of TIGER.

Commissioners reviewed a Proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunicators' Week.

PROCLAMATION
National Public Safety Telecommunicators' Week

WHEREAS: When an emergency occurs the prompt response of law enforcement, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS: The safety of our sheriffs, police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Allen County 911 Communications Center; and

WHEREAS: Public Safety Dispatchers are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS: Public Safety Dispatchers are the single vital link for our police officers, and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS: The Public Safety Dispatchers of the Allen County 911 Communications Center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS: Each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year; and

WHEREAS: In recognition of the forgoing, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America have designated the second week in April of each year as 'National Public Safety Telecommunicators' Week'

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas, hereby proclaim the week of April 12-18, 2015 as "NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS' WEEK" and joins in honoring the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and citizens safe.

ADOPTED this 7th day of April, 2015.

Commissioner Daniels moved to adopt the Proclamation National Public Safety Telecommunicators' Week. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Carl Slaugh, City of Iola Administrator, joined the meeting.

Bill King, Public Works Director, reported getting new mowers and the grader. All seems to be going well currently.

David Ensminger stopped in to say "hi".

Terry Call, Allen County EMS Financial Director, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss Confidential Data. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Williams, Commissioner Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Richard and Marjorie Gibson, Arlyn & Ethan Briggs, Bill Maness, Senator Representative, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:25 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:55 a.m. No action was taken.

David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, joined the meeting.

Ryan Sell, Allen County EMS Director, and Timothy Thyer, Iola Fire Chief, joined the meeting. Discussion on quarterly reports was discussed per type and quantity. There are some runs that are not charged for because of refusal of transport. Ryan stated some of the calls happen over and over for the same person, it is a service. Ryan discussed covering western Bourbon County since they are closer, but if Moran EMS is not available, they deny mutual aid. Discussion followed. Terry stated they average six runs a day.

Commissioners asked about staffing. They are currently at 29 staff including Tim and Ryan. Discussion followed. Chief Thyer stated there are a couple staff in paramedic classes.

Ryan stated the licensing time is here. They need to get a sign off on one ambulance that needs a windshield repair before they get approved for 2015-2016 licensing.

Carl stated they are starting the bid process for an ambulance and was wondering if the commission had an idea of what they are thinking. Ryan stated they are looking at Type A and Type B ambulances. Type A is a higher cost, but worth more in the end than a Type B. Discussion followed.

Ryan asked about Med Unit #31 (International). It is not licensed and cost more to get it up to speed than it is worth. Discussion followed on sale on Purple Wave, keep in the county if motor and other options. Ryan will be visiting some of the manufacturers to view ambulances and specifications.

James Nixon, Diebolt LLC., reported there will be an auction on the 18th at the old Diebolt Lumber and it will be opening as Diebolt LLC. They will be doing model homes and such. James explained the current situation and why they filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy. The economy is changing and they are looking to the future of home building. They would like the opportunity if the county would ever look at a building.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Confidential Data. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be

Chairman Williams, Commissioner Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Bill Maness, Senator representative, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:27 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:37 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners discussed site planning on the old hospital site. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Williams' signature on a site plan for the old hospital site with Landworks Studio Landscape Architects. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Talkington moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Williams, Commissioner Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:43 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:48 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Talkington moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Williams, Commissioner Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:49 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:54 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners approved the use of the Allen County Courthouse lawn for Lola Middle School's Spring Band and Choir Concert on Monday, May 11, 2015.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers: 4/2/15 - \$264,806.91 & 4/7/15 - \$378,354.00
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Abatements: TR, Value 2037, \$291.12, Yr 2014
Oil, Value 122, \$18.56, Yr 2013
Oil, Value 138, \$19.44, Yr 2014

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until April 14, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Thomas R. Williams, Chairperson

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jim Talkington, Commissioner