

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

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, discussed the current speed limit of 55 miles per hour for one half mile west of US Hwy 169 along Minnesota Road to the current 45 miles from the curve south of Iola to the highway. He would like it to be dropped to 45 miles per hour and with land for sale along there; there will be more residential homes. Commissioners will have Alan review.

Sheriff Murphy also mentioned there should be more speed limit signs along Delaware Rd. It has been requested by citizens.

Sheriff Murphy stated the Chief Justice will be in town and close down Madison to go speak to the Iola High School students. Discussion followed.

Michael Burnett, Interim EMS Director, Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, and Timothy Thyer, City of Iola Fire Chief, joined the meeting. Michael requested a signature from Chairman Daniels on a letter to the Kansas Board of EMS stating changes in Directors. The letter serves as an official notification of Edward Sell resigning as EMS director for Allen County EMS and that Michael Burnett has been appointed to serve as Interim EMS Director. Commissioner Williams moved to approve Chairman Daniels sign the letter of appointment. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Michael stated they will be starting on specs for a new vehicle in 2017; that is their goal right now.

Commissioner Daniels asked what the commission can do to help. Michael stated "Just support us." Commissioner Daniels responded that he doesn't care who runs the Ambulance Services as long as it is ran right.

Commissioner Williams stated he would like to see a committee to review needed changes to the EMS Contract, not financial but operational. Commissioner Talkington stated he would like to see all commissioners sit in on a meeting where discussion would be on proposed changes to the EMS Contract. Commissioner Williams stated it would be an open meeting if all were present. Commissioner Talkington stated that would be ok and all the City of Iola Council would be available to come. Discussion followed on ways to grow the service. Commissioner Williams stated all he wants is for EMS to provide the best care for the citizens.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, requested a signature for the Allen/Anderson County Line Bridge Project. Mitch presented information for fiscal impact to Allen County. The construction costs mentioned are estimated costs. The Kansas Department of Transportation will bid the project and the low bid will determine actual construction cost. To the nearest \$100 the project is estimated to cost \$443,500. \$354,800 of this cost will be paid from the federal highway trust fund. The trust fund is funded by the federal gasoline and diesel taxes we all pay at the time we purchase fuel. The gasoline tax rate is 18.3 cents per gallon. The diesel tax rate is 24.3 cents per gallon. K.S.A. 28-1122 indicates the remaining construction cost of \$88,700 will be split between Anderson and Allen Counties in ratio of respective assessed valuations at the time of the construction. Presently that ration is 0.57 Allen County and 0.43 Anderson County bridge construction expenditure in 2017 or 2018 of \$38,000. This statute also allows you to split the costs; however the two counties agree to the split the costs. The cost to

design the bridge is estimated to be \$51,200. Anderson County pays \$22,000 and Allen County pays \$29,200. Anderson County will be the lead county in the eyes of the Kansas Department of Transportation, which means Anderson County gets to be the project banker. When various payments come due, Anderson County will pay the entire payment and then bill Allen County for Allen County's share of the payment. The recommendation - Anderson County will not know if the Kansas Department of Transportation selects this project for the 2017 Off-System Bridge Replacement Program until October of this year. Commissioners asked if the money is in the Special Bridge Fund. Mitch stated yes, they have been preparing for the cost of this bridge.

Mitch presented the Inter-local Agreement Project 2 C-4839-01 Wyoming Road/100 Road Bridge over Martin Creek-Anderson/Allen County, Kansas Line to be approved and signed by the commission.

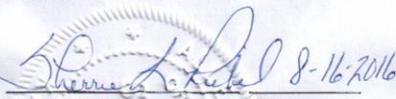
**INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT
PROJECT 2 C-4839-01
WYOMING ROAD/100 ROAD BRIDGE OVER
MARTIN CREEK – ANDERSON/ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS LINE**

This agreement is between Allen County and Anderson County to share the costs on the above listed project, in the amount up to \$75,000.00 each and that the State of Kansas (KDOT) will fund the remaining costs of the bridge project for construction, maintenance, etc.

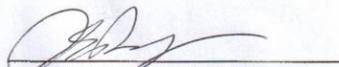
IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have caused this Agreement to be signed by their duly authorized officers as of the Effective Date.

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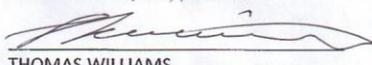
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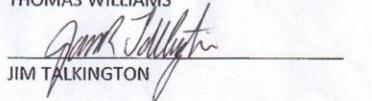
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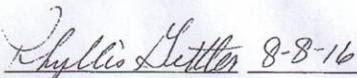
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JIM TALKINGTON

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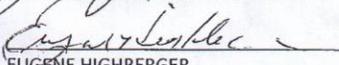
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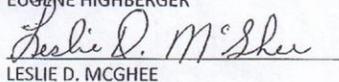
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JERRY HOWATER, CHAIRPERSON



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LESLIE D. MCGHEE

Commissioner Talkington moved to sign, Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch discussed Minnesota Road and the speed limit issues that Sheriff Murphy bought up earlier. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported the pumps at the Allen County Regional Airport were down and they were able to load a pump truck to still provide fuel to the airplanes that fly in.

Barbara Anderson, Kansas Department of Commerce Regional Project Manager Southeast Kansas, discussed Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ) Resolution. Sept 2013. She presented information on applications for the ROZ and how they get approved or not. Barbara had a map with the ROZ Counties in Kansas. She reviewed the Employer-Sponsorship of ROZ Applicants. Allen County pays \$1,500 per month. Allen County has 6 on a wait list. There are 6 approved

and on a waiting list. If the commission wanted to allow up to \$8,180.31 annual for five years, that would let the individuals on the waiting list get approved. County needs to opt in at any cost to allow employers to opt in. Timothy Roth, St. Peters Lutheran Church, joined the meeting. This program is designed to attract young families in to Allen County. Discussion followed. Up to \$1,500 matched at the state level. Anyone can be an employer sponsor if they are retail, manufacturer, county or such.

Chairman Daniels opened the budget hearing for the 2017 Allen County Budget. Sherrie presented the proposed budget for discussion. Larry Walden asked if there was time for review. Sherrie stated notice had been published in the lola Register and the Humboldt Union. Bob Johnson stated as a citizen, he was ok with the budget as long as it was spent wisely. Discussion on the budget process and when it starts followed. Commissioner Williams moved to adopt the 2017 budget as presented. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Larry Walden asked about his request to Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, for his opinion on the incompatible offices listed in the County Commissioner handbook. Jerry Hathaway had issued his opinion to the commission and stated the commission should ask the Attorney General for his opinion. This was the opinion of Jerry Hathaway, but not Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor. A discussion followed about incompatible offices; whether or not a job can be done. Heather stated KAC says just an opinion. There have been five local attorneys' opinions. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Daniels stated it was a moot point due to his resigning from the Humboldt Police Department. He asked if the opinion would also be on Commissioner Williams appointed to the Thirty-First District Judicial Nominating Commission (which was February 2, 2016 – resigned June 17, 2016). Commissioner Williams stated it would be on the incompatible offices as a whole. Commissioner Talkington stated he would be ok as a whole not just one making it personal. Commissioner Williams moved to do as Attorney Hathaway suggested, to send up to Attorney General's opinion. Discussion followed. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-1 Chairman Daniels abstained.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers –\$58,367.08
- b) Payroll Changes

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until August 23, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jim Talkington, Commissioner