

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

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on August 16, 2016.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, and Larry Walden, citizen, were present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds, reported the cement contractor will not pour this morning due to expected rain. He reported a problem with the southeast corner of the square. If the contractor is to pour the corner with ADA regulations, they would have to remove the current traffic control box which would be very costly. Ron was told in a couple of years that will be torn up due to State of Kansas rework on US Hwy 54. He would like to wait to redo the southeast corner and do the southwest corner.

Commissioners asked about the Veteran's Garden. Discussion followed on plans.

Commissioner Williams, Larry Walden and Bob Johnson discussed speakers and microphones so people can hear in the meeting and moving meetings around and during evenings. No action was taken at this time.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, was asked by Bob Johnson concerning signs on county right of way for land sales. Discussion followed on liability.

Mitch reported the pumps are up running at the Allen County Regional Airport. Discussion followed on building more hangars. Currently there is no place for the "spray" planes to house overnight. Commissioners approved Mitch to check into the cost of building a hangar, if he has it in the budget. He stated it would be a one to two year plan in the budget.

Commissioners asked Mitch if he was up to staff. Mitch stated he needs 3 more full time workers, mainly CDL drivers, but needs one regular driver. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte, Personal Service Insurance, Inc. (PSI), reported dividends to Allen County and presented a check for \$5,471.23, which is based on 2015's claims. Discussion followed on how claims affect dividends and how they are paid back to the counties.

Loren visited with the commission about his position currently serving on the Allen County Regional Hospital Trustees' Board.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the proposed Resolution of the Board of Allen County Commissioners Authorizing Participation in Rural In Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Repayment Program. Commissioners Talkington and Williams stated to keep the same participation amount for now. Alan stated the amount could be changed at any time they would like. Alan will fill in the blanks and provide the resolution next week.

Alan asked about a motion from last week to the Attorney General's opinion and commissioners acknowledged they were referring to all the incompatible offices. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams stated Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, had already made the request on behalf of Allen County. He had requested Jerry Hathaway to do so.

Sheriff Murphy discussed the speed zone and wanted to ask what to do. Alan will work up a resolution and present to the commission. Discussion followed. No action was taken at this time. Sheriff Murphy asked if there is any way to restrict Jake Brakes. Alan will review.

Sherrie presented a request by Deidre Wilson, RN., Allen County Public Health Nurse for SEK Multi-County Health Department to support breast feeding mothers by signing a support letter which in turn would support the posting of a "Breastfeeding Welcome Here" window sticker. Commissioners stated they already support breastfeeding without a logo, but declined to take action at this time. Discussion followed.

Sherrie asked about going out for bid on life insurance. The current life insurance will be expired in January 2017. Commissioners stated they should go out for bid. Sherrie will start the process.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – 8/19/16-\$208,040.87 & 8/22/16-\$51,689.96
- b) Payroll Changes

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until September 6, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

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Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jim Talkington, Commissioner