

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

Sherrie reported she had received a resignation letter dated February 19, 2018 from Commissioner Jim Talkington, effective immediately.

Robert Johnson, Iola Register representative, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Roy Smith, Allen Undersheriff, were present to observe the commission meeting.

Commissioners reviewed and approved the minutes of February 13, 2018.

Sherrie reported on HSA surveys; only 39 of the 100 that went out have returned.

Sheriff Murphy reported First Net not building in the area but don't give up fill out paperwork and send up to them. He was hoping they would be interested in helping with a tower.

Sheriff Murphy reported they are reconfiguring the old jail for FAT System training. They are cutting old bars in the bull pen to make it into storage and will take them to Ray's Metal to help offset the cost. They are creating an office up there.

Sheriff Murphy reported they had to get another vehicle as the Undersheriff's has been having issues, so there wasn't time for bids.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported the rain isn't slick at this time; on the roads anyway.

Mitch will be opening crusher bids February 21, 2018 and will bring to the commission on February 27, 2018.

Mitch reported because of the rain they aren't working on the airport hangar at this time.

Commissioners discussed 1100 Street north of Humboldt Hill and conditions of existing roads and culverts. This road will probably be used for detour when KDOT shuts down US Hwy #169. Discussion followed.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed a requested from Ben Alexander for a support letter from the commission for a grant from Health Resources Services Administration to get money to study the opioid problem in Allen County and for training and education. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve and sign. Chairman Williams seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Alan discussed opioid litigation from an attorney out of Pittsburg. Alan reported KAC and Counselor's Associations are keeping on top of this. No action was taken. Alan reported Allen County is high for vulnerability for HIV as well.

Alan discussed the Beef Barn Project. He requested Chairman Williams to sign the contract between them and Waverly Lumber Company. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the contract and for Chairman Williams to sign. Chairman Williams seconded, motion passed 2-0-0. Chairman William signed. Alan discussed payments and what will be expected.

Terry Call, EMS Financial Director, reported a Medicare decision was made; Congress approved a 2% rural adjustment for the next 5 years.

Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, stopped in to say "Hi". He reported the roads are bad north of Allen County. He discussed his visit to Milwaukee.

Phil Drescher and Stephen Euston, Joe Holdenried, Bukaty representatives, reviewed history of 2015 to 2017. Phil discussed stop losses for 2017 and 2018. Phil reported on renewal costs and networks that Allen County follows. Alan asked about HSA's for Allen County employees. Discussion followed. Renewals were presented from BMI and Meritain. Commissioner Daniels moved to switch to Meritain for health insurance and Met Life for dental and no HSA. Chairman Williams seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the annual inventory report from Allen County Sheriff's office.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$51,122.65
- b) Payroll Changes – Transfer of Leave to Eula Hutton,  
Pay increase for 6 months: Brent Aiello, Raymond Bonnett, Brenda Boyle, J.D. Harris  
Pay increase for 1 year: Samuel Reed  
New hires: Christopher Bowman, Elijah Farran  
Mileage reimbursement: Sherrie L. Riebel
- c) Clerk's Journal Entries: #7
- d) Abatements: PP Value 130, \$18.40, Year 2012  
PP Value 191, \$28.44, Year 2013  
PP Value 189, \$27.56, Year 2014  
PP Value 180, \$23.82, Year 2015  
PP Value 126, \$18.12, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourned, Chairman Williams seconded, motion passed 2-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m. until February 27, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

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Thomas R. Williams, Chairperson

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Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

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Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

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resigned  
Jim Talkington, Commissioner