

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

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

Commissioners approved the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting.

David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Bill Maness, Executive Director, and Jim Gilpin, executive vice president and John McRae, Iola Industries, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Confidential Data. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 2-0-0. Those in the room will be Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Bill Maness, Executive Director, Jim Gilpin, executive vice president Iola Industries and John McRae, Iola Industries President and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 8:30 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:40 a.m. No action was taken.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed equipment. The Bomag at the Landfill is not working at this time.

Mitch stated he is working on getting measurements for 9th Street in Humboldt, then they will get it completed. Discussion followed.

Bob Johnson asked if the county had any plans for removing debris from the Humboldt River Bridge area. Mitch stated no, there hasn't been any takers on requesting bids. Commissioners asked about the Core of Engineers. Mitch will check with them. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte, Personal Service Insurance, Inc. (PSI), and Justin Sager, PSI representative, discussed the March 18, 2017 to March 17, 2018 policy. Loren reported the premium has gone up, but mostly in auto. Currently the county has \$500 deductible and he suggested the county go to \$1,000 which would be lower if there are only a couple of deer hits. The county would take a hit if there is a hail storm. Discussion followed. The premium for 2016 was \$138,523 and this year it is up to \$150,281.00. He will catch up with the Department heads for equipment in their departments.

Loren discussed insurance and the future of insurance due to legislation.

Loren stated the new life insurance will take effect April 1, 2017. Discussion followed.

Karen Gilpin, Recycle Committee and Rotary, Donna Grigsby and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor discussed a request to put out signs before the Paper Drive to remind persons of the paper drive. They would like to have signs approved to put on the courthouse square. They are also putting signs around the churches and schools and along Madison Street. Commissioners approved.

Donna Grigsby requested trailers have banners that say "Allen County Recycles". Commissioners asked about painting the trailers. Discussion followed. Karen reported Humboldt hauls back boxes to bale as is Tramec. They will be getting things up to take plastic, glass and cardboards.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, reported the jail's Life Scan is down forever, they will be getting a Federal Grant for a replacement. It will be KBI's equipment, but Allen County would be responsible for the maintenance. He explained how the system works. This equipment normally runs \$30,000.00.

Commissioners discussed coroner transportation and conflicts. Discussion followed. Alan will check on the issue.

Sherrie swore Commissioner Jerry Daniels in as a member of the 911 Coordinating Council for the State of Kansas.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 2016 - \$569.91 & 2017 - \$68,499.85
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries: 8-10
- c) Abatements: PP Value 1724, \$368.56, Yr 2016
PP Value 1489, \$319.52, Yr 2015
PP Value 1499, \$334.16, Yr 2014

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until March 7, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

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Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner