

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jerry Daniels, Commissioner William H. King, Commissioner Bruce Symes, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Nick Reynolds, The Humboldt Union, Rick Danley, Iola Register, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Mary Kay Heard, Dave Scantlin, Calvin Parker, Robert and Juanell Garrett, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Daniels led the flag salute.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on February 26, 2019.

Terry Call, Zoning Administer, discussed Kevin Pargman's Conditional Use Permit. He explained the zoning process and commented the RV Park is already up and running because Kevin thought when he zoned the one in Gas he had that one approved as well. Terry reported the Zoning Board recommended the Commission approve the request for the CUP. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the zoning board's recommendation and approve Kevin Pargman's CUP. Commissioner King seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Terry reported another zoning will be held March 28 for the Sheriff's cell tower.

Mary Kay Heard invited at least one commissioner to go to Topeka with Iola Industrials to visit with State Legislators on April 5, 2019. Discussion followed.

Stephen Henderson joined the meeting.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Deer Creek Township officials to appoint Dawn Eddings to serve as Deer Creek Township Treasurer for an unexpired term. Shirley Hicks resigned in February. Commissioner Symes moved to appoint Dawn Eddings as Deer Creek Township Treasurer to fill the unexpired term. Commissioner King seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Shawna Stewart to use the bandstand for a wedding in the middle of June to the first of July. Commissioners approved as long as someone else wasn't scheduled to use it before a date was set.

Sherrie notified the commission the SEK District Officials Meeting will be hosted by Neosho County on May 21, 2019 at the Neosho County Community College in Chanute.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, requested executive session for non-elected personnel. Commissioner King moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Daniels, Commissioner Symes, Commissioner King, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk and Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 8:41 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:51 a.m. No action was taken.

Mitch commented only one company, Scotswood Company, is doing dust abatement so it is hard to get bids for it. Discussion followed. The citizens would be contacted by the company requesting dust abatement themselves; the citizens would pay Scotswood Company. David Scantlin stated usually the county comes out ahead of time and grade the road, would the county still do this? Mitch stated they would work with Scotswood to schedule a time to do the grading. David stated he would hate to see

this company come in and charge more than the county. Commissioner King stated the county cost usually has employee wages figured into the cost so it might be lower. Commissioners approved to use Scotswood Company for this year to see how it works out.

Counselor Johnson discussed the bids for airport crop ground and hay ground. Bids received:

	<u>Hay Ground per acre</u>	<u>Tillable Ground per acre (5yr contract)</u>
Sam Hayes	\$0.00	\$130
Gene Meiwes	\$35	\$75
Robert Nelson	\$26.46	\$73.46
Chuck Sutherland	\$0.00	\$67.50
Mueller	\$25	\$65
Jaro	\$25	\$65
Duff	\$22	\$0.00
Tommy Stirewalt	\$27.01	\$66.02

Sam Hayes, was highest on tillable crop land. Gene Meiwes would be highest for hay ground but if he didn't get both tillable and hay grounds, he might not be interested in just the hay ground. Jerry Stirewalt was second highest bidder interested in the hay ground. Counselor Johnson will visit with the individuals and prepare 5-year contracts between them and the commissioners to sign.

Mitch commented the airport hangars are full at this time, and some renters are waiting for the new hangars to be done. Discussion on the powered parasail area followed.

Korey Nissen, KPERS 457/ROTH 457, introduced himself and explained the plans. He requested the commission approve Allen County add the ROTH 457 option for employees. Korey explained the benefits to the employees. The KPERS457 Roth Option is available to Allen County as a second way to defer into the KPERS457 Deferred compensation plan. He stressed, this STILL would be One (1) plan-KPERS457 with Two (2) different ways to defer compensation to a later date. 1. Traditional Pre-tax and 2. ROTH-AfterTax. A participant's account will still have one balance with two (2) sub-divisions breaking down balances based on Money Source. KPERS 457/ROTH 457 as a record keeper will always have those balances/money sources separated. Upon leaving and satisfying any age/time requirements, the participant with balances in both money sources can select to realize one or the other or both. The question will be? "Do they want to create a taxable event or not and which source to take from?" Further, the benefits of the ROTH are numerous and are utilized differently depending on the participant's situation. However, the primary benefit is to defer after-tax into this efficient plan with high contribution limits (\$19-25K annually), no income limits, and very low administrative costs as detailed below. Korey discussed the KPERS457 Administrative Fee. ADDING ROTH to your existing Pre-Tax 457b is a very easy process in most situations. 1. Allen County would decide to add the offering. 2. You would complete & sign the 1 page form letter and forward to our State Director Scott Taylor. Usually from that point it takes approximately 2 months to the first deferral is processed. Allen County will need the ability to add another after tax deduct line to their payroll software. We would coordinate with Allen County in facilitation of the additional deferral. Allen County has a great opportunity to bring this expanded benefit to your employees. Commissioner Symes moved to authorize Allen County offer the ROTH 457 and allow the employees to stay on company time while visiting with representative. Commissioner King seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Joyce Adair, Iola Senior Center, Inc. President, explained she was elected President in 2017 for a 2-year term of office. They are the Senior Citizen Rummage Sales; although they prefer Thrift store. They are ran by members and volunteers 55 and older, no one is paid. The difference between members and volunteer is that members pledge to work certain days and volunteers work when they can. They are open Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. They are situated at 223 N. State, Iola. All their

donations are provided from the surrounding communities. Monies earned are returned to the community via CURB, Hospice, Hope Unlimited, CASA, Pregnancy Resources, Jefferson School, McKinley School, Lincoln School, Crossroads School, Lola Recreation Department, Food Pantry, Drug Court, Ministerial Assoc., Community Garden, Lola Library, ARCH Oncology, Crime Stoppers, Adopt a Child and Project Care; all together was \$20,000 for 2018 which was higher than the \$16,500 in 2017. Donations to the store, money goes back into the company. Joyce presented a list of members and entities receiving donations. She thanked the commission for the new building, bench, sidewalk and utilities from the county. Joyce stated they donate items to people in need as well as sell them to the community. Commissioners thanked her for the information and commitment to the community.

Counselor Johnson discussed the architect Zingre for both ambulance buildings. They are working on the title work for the lands. Commissioner King moved to accept the contract with Zingre & Associates. Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Counselor Johnson will have the contract available for the commission to sign.

Counselor Johnson reported the request for proposals for the Hog Barn are going out on today. Allen County Clerk will be collecting the bids.

Chairman Daniels took a call from Becky Stanley requesting Commissioners support the Southeast Multi-County Mental Health month. Discussion followed. Becky will be sending more information to the commission.

Commissioner King moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Symes seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Daniels, Commissioner Symes, Commissioner King, and Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 9:36 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:46 a.m. No action was taken.

Steven Henderson discussed having another COOP in Humboldt for a grocery store; just an idea being kicked around.

Commissioners reviewed the annual Salem Township report.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$660,272.78
- b) Payroll Changes – New position for Cara Bowen
 - 6-month pay increase for Edward E. Foster
 - 1-year pay increase for Tanner Odell
 - Reimbursed mileage for Terry Call & Cindy Scovill
 - Reimbursed expenses for Angela Murphy
 - Transfer of vacation hours

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner King moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:56 a.m. until March 12, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

William H. King, Commissioner

