

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

Eric Spruill, Iola Register, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, and Robert & Juanell Garrett, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Daniels led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on May 7, 2019.

Terry Call, Zoning/LEPP/Ambulance Billing Director, reported he had published for sale the 2010 ambulance in the Humboldt Union and Iola Register newspaper. He received only one bid from Osage Ambulance for \$5,500. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the bid from Osage. Commissioner King seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, reported on the remodel costs in the court area; the trim is more expensive than what was originally bid to the contractor. The increased cost is still lower than the next highest bid received of \$7,200. Commissioners approved for Whitworth Construction, Inc. to proceed with an increased cost of \$829.00 over the \$5,250.00 original bid.

Ron discussed the carpet in the elevator and on each level in the elevator area. He requested to replace the carpet with tile. Commissioner King moved to approved Ron to get bids for taking out the carpet and replacing it with tile. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, mentioned Hoidale Co., Inc. is working on the fuel system at the Allen County Regional Airport; it has been 3 months since Allen County's airport has been able to fuel air craft.

Mitch reported the wind mill contractors are "walking" a crane over 2800 Street and Road Island and 3000 Street between South Dakota and Texas Roads.

Mitch stated they are ready for dust abatement the first week of June but might be later due to all the wet weather. Scotwood Industries, Inc. is about 150 trucks behind.

Commissioner King reported there are not lights on all the windmills; the goal is to flash at the same time.

Mitch stated they are now patching roads since the weather dried out a little. They are getting cold patch from Ottawa but it is a higher cost. Commissioners discussed the possibility of Allen County doing their own asphalt. Discussion followed on cost and feasibility. Commissioners will check on other counties.

Mitch had someone report there is brush on the Humboldt Bridge again but water is still up high.

Commissioners reported they will not have a Commission Meeting next week due to the SEK Regional Meeting.

Angela Murphy, 911 Communications Director, requested an executive session. Commissioner King moved to go into executive session for 5 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, Angela Murphy, 911 Communications Director, and Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 8:53 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:56 a.m. No action was taken and did not discuss personal

benefits but was advised to do it in open session as per County Counselor since it had already been discussed with other individuals. Commissioners took a 2-minute break.

Angie reported she figured she would have to hire 3 people to take on the City of Chanute, plus increase licensing, plus adding business lines and other important factors so it would cost \$167,000 or more to host the City of Chanute's 911 call center. Commissioner King stated he thinks a contract should have to be at least 5 years. He commented on turnovers in City Administrators; things might not stay the same. Discussion followed on consolidation not always being a bargain. Angie stated it would be specific to how much licensing and people and equipment, antenna to the tower just to stand up to the service would possibly cost another \$40,000. Chairman Daniels stated he thinks they should at least wait until the new Neosho County Commissioner is seated. The other two commissioners stated concerns and positive ideas. The focus is cost savings and adequate service; a big thing to tackle with different regional territories. Chairman Daniels stated Neosho County 911 is a stand-alone office such as Allen County's meaning not in the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Murphy stated there was an increase in cost to the City of Chanute. Chairman Daniels stated it is totally up to the City of Chanute and Neosho County to work out things. Angie stated the City of Chanute will not be contracting with Neosho County. Angie figured \$40,000 radios, \$178,000 for the equipment would be about \$218,000 for total, would that be acceptable by the City of Chanute for a contract with Allen County. Angela thinks the county should ask for more for overhead in case something else shows up. She would like to have the Allen County purchase the equipment in case the City of Chanute would ever pull the contract. They currently pay \$180,000 for inadequate service. They will have to pay more for adequate service. Chairman Daniels stated he is still trying to see why Allen County would contract with the City of Chanute; what is the positive? Sheriff Murphy stated it is a huge safety issue, things come out that shouldn't be happening, calls should be consistent to any entities across their county, quality of the service should be the same all over. Counselor Johnson asked how contracting with the City of Chanute benefits Allen County. Sheriff Murphy stated it might benefit Allen County monies wise in the long run. Mr. Garnett asked about 911 calls and how that would work, where would they come into? Angie stated primary benefit is growth and expansion she would like to be the leading force not behind it. She stated working with more runs will make the department more efficient.

Larry commented on the cutting edge of the future and what it would do for the State of Kansas and the fact that 911 is thinking regionalization. He commented the county should be looking at money making for the county instead of just setting on it. Discussion followed.

Angie requested for the EOP to be sign. Commissioner King moved to approved Resolution 201904.

RESOLUTION No. 201904

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ALLEN COUNTY  
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas recognizes the need to prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural and manmade disasters; and

WHEREAS, Allen County has a responsibility to provide for the safety and well-being of its citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Allen County has established and appointed a Director of Emergency Management;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of County Commissioners of Allen County Kansas, this Emergency Operations Plan as revised is officially adopted, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Director of Emergency Management, or his/her designee, is tasked and authorized to maintain and revise as necessary this document during the next five (5) year period or until such time it be ordered to come before this board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14th DAY OF MAY 2019.

Commissioner King moved to approve and sign Resolution 201904. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes complemented Angie for the City of Chanute coming to her because of 911. His concern in getting into the middle of a conflict between the City of Chanute and Neosho County, he thinks the idea is good but not because of conflict but because of unification.

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, and Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 9:29 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:39 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner King 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 9:39 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:44 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners reviewed the two vendor proposals Rick Zingre sent for the Geotechnical Engineering Services for the new EMS Stations in Humboldt and Moran. Rick emailed the commission Palmerton and Parrish and Anderson Engineering as two that have been the best value for him on past projects. They would provide Geotech Engineering Services as related to the site preparation and foundation design. Anderson broke their proposal into one for each site (\$3,200 for Moran and \$3,200 for Humboldt), but Palmerton and Parrish combined the proposal for both sites (\$5,500). Anderson is higher when combining the costs for each site. Rich commented he has worked with both vendors and are happy with serves from each one of them; he recommended to award the work to the lowest cost vendor which is Palmerton and Parrish. Commissioner King discussed how important it is to see what is under the ground for a solid foundation. Larry asked about core drilling on the new fire station? Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the bid from Palmerton and Parrish for core sampling. Commissioner King seconded; Chairman Daniels acknowledged this is the recommendation of the architect. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Terry stated the 2010 ambulance overheats when going to Wichita, so it would be less than \$500 for them to come get the ambulance. Chairman Daniels stated they have sold it as is, they need to just come get it at their cost of \$5,500.00. Discussion followed. Commissioners accepted the bid as is. No change was made.

Sherrie asked about publishing the appraiser's job in the Linn County News. Commissioners declined to publish in the Linn County News.

Counselor Johnson discussed the wellness decision about cost of county insurance and cost to employees. Stephen Easton, Bukaty Company Benefits Consultant had sent an email clarifying the cost of insurance to employees "... The wellness program offered to employees through Allen County today is in compliance."

Larry reported the Allen Community College is going to do a CDL class. Discussion followed.

Bryan stated he received a quote from Westar Energy, Inc. for the cost of running the proposed tower. He will email the information to the commission. Discussion followed.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Payroll Change – Heath Womack, foreman position pay increase
- b) Payroll – reimbursement for mileage for Bruce Symes and hosted Bar meal for Jerry Hathaway.
- c) Clerk's Vouchers – 5/14- \$43,608.18
- d) Abatements: RE Value 4895, \$676.44, Year 2018

RE Value 654, \$92.00, Year 2017

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 10:06 a.m. until May 28, 2019. Commissioners will be attending the Southeast Kansas Regional Meeting hosted by Neosho County on May 21, 2019.

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Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

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Bruce Symes, Commissioner

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Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

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William H. King, Commissioner