

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

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 25, 2016.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, and Larry Walden, citizen, were present to observe the meeting.

Carla Nemecek, Southwind Extension District Executive Director and Jerry Middendorf, Fair Board presented information for the Fair Grounds. They need to know they have support from the commission before proceeding ahead with the project. Carla was asked what kind of support, monies and in-kind: electrical, drainage, rock. Jerry stated they would be starting on safety issues first. Need labor to change out electric, need welding on fences. Commissioner Talkington discussed an annual report. He asked if the grounds were county, Carla didn't know but understood that the ground is city and possibly the county buildings. Bob Johnson explained how the county supported the construction of buildings and the city purchased land south of there for the park. Discussion followed. Core of engineers build the dikes. Commissioner Talkington talked about in kind and matching money, board member changes to incorporate new younger members, Jerry stated younger members are busy with kids and don't have time it seems. \$2,500 is available monies currently in the Fair monies. Carla doesn't want the \$11,000 increased, she is requesting the monies go through a separate fund and then return whatever wasn't used for improving the grounds. The \$11,000 goes to utilities excess of \$2,000 and insurance isn't cheap either. Bob suggested the fair board goes to the city to donate the utilities. Jerry stated they have already discussed that with the city a few years ago. Commissioner Daniels stated he is all in favor of keeping the fair up and going and safe. They would like a little fact finding answered. Completely replace the roof with metal show arena and beef barn, which are very old build. Commissioner Talkington asked if they had gone to 4 H and asked for help. Carla stated all that has been done so far was done through 4H volunteers. Carla stated once the funds are approved she feels families will step up to help. Materials are their biggest concerns. Commissioner Talkington said he would be in favor of matching monies and in kind of sorts, you help yourself, we will help you, he isn't in favor of a flat-out donation. Chairman Daniels stated he feels the fair grounds are equally as important as the Bowlus Fine Arts Building. Discussion followed.

Tracy Keagle, citizen, wants permission to light up the square for Christmas this year. She wants to be bigger and better. She wants to have it lit up at Thanksgiving.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported on downed equipment. He is working on getting it up and going to mow while the weather holds out.

Commissioner Talkington discussed the east side of the river, just general clean up. Milo Kellerman had requested action be taken for the cleanup annually at the river. Mitch stated it has been done before.

Commissioners thanked Mitch for all his crews and staff do.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the charter resolution for meetings back in 1995 opting commissioners out of Monday meetings.

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CHARTER RESOLUTION NO. 95022

"A Charter Resolution exempting Allen County from K.S.A. 19-206 and any act amendatory thereof and providing substitute and additional provisions on the same subject"

Be it Resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Allen County that the following Charter Resolution be adopted:

Section 1: Allen County is hereby made exempt from the provisions of K.S.A. 19-206 requiring the Board of County Commissioners to meet on the first Monday of each month during the year. In lieu thereof, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas, shall meet at least once per month on such day and at such time as is designated by a majority of the commission and at such other times as the interest and business of the County may demand. The Commissioners shall, before ending each meeting, designate the date and time of their next meeting.

Section 2: This Charter Resolution shall take effect 61 days after final publication unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed and a referendum held on the Resolution as provided by K.S.A. 19-101b, in which case the resolution shall become effective if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 3: This Charter Resolution shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official County Newspaper.

This Charter Resolution unanimously passed by the Board of Allen County Commissioners this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1995.

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ATTEST:

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Allen County Clerk

Alan discussed the meeting on the windfarm. The Zoning Board gave Alan ideas to work with to create a rough draft. There will be another meeting on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 to hopefully finalize a policy. Discussion followed.

Alan stated the commissioners should go ahead and appoint someone to the Allen County Hospital Trustees. He will bring this up next Tuesday.

Sherrie asked about closing the courthouse at noon to the public on December 30 to do yearend business. Commissioner approved and will have a commission meeting on December 30 at 3:00 p.m.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$44,816.12
- b) Payroll Changes

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

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Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

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Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

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Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

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Jim Talkington, Commissioner

