

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

Rick Danley, Iola Register, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 10, 2017.

Tracy Keagle, Humanity House representative, requested permission to "light up the square" with trees. They will be doing the bandstand and Wings of Warriors will help. Tracy requested to use bucket trucks on the yard. Commissioners approved Tracy to coordinate with Ron.

Sherrie discussed the Special Alcohol Fund request from Southeast Kansas Mental Health. Discussion followed on what has been given to SEKMHC, Hope Unlimited and Drug Court for the last few years. Commissioners approved \$7,500 to be sent to SEK Mental Health and \$2,500 be sent to Drug Court.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed wind farm agreements. Road Agreement, decommissioning agreement, and PILOT agreement. They will still want to discuss PILOT agreement with the commission. Discussion followed. The wind farm applicants will not come to discuss that until after the zoning hearing at the end of the month. Alan explained how the agreements will be handled.

Alan asked about a ribbon cutting on the Radio Tower at 911 Communications. Commissioners stated they did not see a need. Commissioner Daniels stated they can do something if they want, but the commission does not need to.

Chairman Talkington asked if there is anyway with the wind energy to ask they donate towards the Tech Center so that training can be offered to teach maintenance. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington would like to see \$150,000 donated to get the program off and running. Commissioner Williams stated he would like to decide after the zoning has been completed. Alan agreed.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels asked if the earmarking of a PILOT should go through the county or school. Alan is not recommending anything, it will be an executive decision. Discussion will wait until after a zoning decision is made and on fencing replacement.

Chairman Talkington asked if the transmission lines are buried or overhead. Alan explained how that would work. Alan stated the wind farm applicant has everything lined out really well. Completion in early 2019. Commissioners expressed appreciation on all Alan is doing on the application.

Jaime Westervelt, Allen County Multi-Agency Team (ACMAT) and DFC Coordinator, Elizabeth Hopkins, ACMAT, Carol Olson, ACMAT and students: Celina Caron, Iola, Saylor Hermreck, Humboldt, Katy Parker, Humboldt, Abigail Hirt, Iola, Ty Scharff, Elsmore, and Jacy Kaufman, Iola, joined the meeting for discussion of the Red Ribbon Week.

Jaime explained how kids sign a red card committing to not using alcohol or other drugs. She requested to put a banner on the courtyard. Commissioners approved and requested Jaime to coordinate with Ron on the installation of the banner.

### **Red Ribbon Week Proclamation For Allen County Kansas**

**Whereas, Alcohol and other drug abuse in this nation has reached epidemic levels; and**

Whereas, It is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts by community members are launched to eliminate the demands for drugs; and  
 Whereas, Allen County Multi-Agency Team in conjunction with the National Family Partnership is sponsoring the Red Ribbon Week Campaign ®; and offering citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug- free lifestyles.  
 Whereas, Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated throughout Allen County October 23-31; and  
 Whereas, a banner displaying the signatures of students from Moran, Iola, and Humboldt, that have signed the drug-free pledge, be set up on the Allen County Court house lawn during Red Ribbon Week®.  
 Whereas, business, government, parents, law enforcement, schools, media, religious institutions, medical and service organization will demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug- free lifestyles by wearing and displaying Red Ribbons during the week-long campaign.  
 Whereas, Allen County further commits its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Campaign®.



Now therefore be it resolved that Allen County does hereby proclaim October 23-31, 2017 as Red Ribbon Week ® and encourages its citizens to participate in drug prevention education activities, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug-free community.

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Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Jaime discussed other items ACMAT is working on and presented the commissioners with the information.

Debbie Bearden, Farmer's Market, Calvin Parker, Farmer's Market, and Robin Schallie, Farmer's Market fiscal agent, joined the meeting to discuss grant for Farmers Market. Debbie presented information on the Allen County Farmer's Market EBT Data 2017. She requested the commission to be the fiscal director for applying for another grant. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the county to be the fiscal director and approve Chairman Talkington to sign the application. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers - \$150,527.77
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry #61-62

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until October 24, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

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 Jim Talkington, Chairperson

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 Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

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 Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

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 Jerry Daniels, Commissioner