

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Bill King, Commissioner John F. Brocker and Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk.

Robert Johnson, Iola Register representative, Nick Reynolds, The Humboldt Union, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Michael Brunner, Commissioner District #1 candidate, Greg Hutton, City of Iola Code Enforcer, Michael Burnett, Ambulance Director, Tim Thyer, Iola Fire Chief, Bob Garrett, citizen, Georgia Masterson, Humanity House and Larry Walden, citizen, were present to observe the Commission meeting.

Michael Burnett led the flag salute.

Georgia Masterson, Humanity House, joined the meeting. She asked the Commission for approval to extend the application filing rule, as the other entities have done. They are requesting an additional period of up to 180 days. Commissioner King moved to approve Chairman Daniels sign the Humanity House NRP Filing extension #121725, originally dated 1/17/18. Commissioner Brocker seconded, motion carried 3-0-0.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds reported that the original bid getter for the Assembly Room work, bowed out for health reasons, so Ron asked for approval to take the second lowest bid of Dry Creek, Ann Donaldson for \$800, Commissioner King approved Dry Creek Enterprises for \$800, Commissioner Brocker seconded, and motion carried 3-0-0.

Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, joined the meeting.

Tim Thyer, City of Iola Fire Chief, reported on Rescue Vehicle estimates. He discussed the bid specs for a new vehicle. Chairman Daniels asked Sid what they are asking the county to do, funding-wise. Larry asked what the plans were for the old rescue vehicle, discussion followed. Commissioners asked Chief Thyer to get bids and report back. Darrel Baughn stopped by the meeting.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, joined the meeting. Commissioner King asked why they were paying a bill on the crusher because it is under full warranty. Mitch will check on it. Mitch reported his crews are fixing washouts due to the rain. They are planning on patching this week. Chairman Daniels asked about the cold patching not holding as long, discussion followed. Chairman Daniels asked Mitch to reach out to KDOT to stop by and visit within the next few weeks for an update on their timeline.

Alan Weber, County Counselor, stated on behalf of Darrel Baughn that the tower is down. He said a centralized tower would be a way to control that. Darrel said the worst fear happened last week, lightning hit a house, and he didn't get a page. Sheriff Murphy favors a single tower as opposed to five. Discussion followed. Commissioners asked Sheriff Murphy to put specs together for such.

Alan Weber suggested Commissioner conduct County Counselor interviews in executive sessions of 15 minutes each.

Commissioner King moved to go into executive session for minutes 15 to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Brocker seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room are

Chairman Daniels, Commissioner King, Commissioner Brocker, Alan Weber and Bob Johnson, II. The time is now 9:02 a.m. Commissioner reconvened at 9:13 a.m., no action taken.

Commissioner King moved to go into executive session for minutes 15 to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Brocker seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room are Chairman Daniels, Commissioner King, Commissioner Brocker, Alan Weber and Chuck Apt. The time is now 9:17 a.m. Commissioner reconvened at 9:132 a.m., no action taken.

Commissioner King moved to go into executive session for minutes 15 to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Brocker seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room are Chairman Daniels, Commissioner King, Commissioner Brocker, and Alan Weber. The time is now 9:32 a.m. Commissioner reconvened at 9:37 a.m., no action taken.

Alan reminded Commissioners about the RRTC (tech center) Grand Opening to be held at 10:30 a.m. on September 5. Commissioners are encouraged to attend.

Alan reported Allen County Regional Hospital Trustees Sean McReynolds and Patti Boyd will retire Dec 31, 2018. Replacements are needed and names should be discussed and decided on within the next couple of weeks. The board meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. and will also be asked to be on a committee.

Bob asked about exit interviews when employees leave the hospital. Chairman Daniels said that's a question for the hospital's management team.

Larry stated they took the lease option off the table at hospital meeting last week. If a hospital comes to the Commission to just talk about a lease, that is ok, however, the Commission cannot make a decision that would be up to the hospital board.

Alan presented bike trail easements approved in 2016, but never got drafted. The trails are there, but the paper easements just need signed. Alan presented easements dated April 12, 2016, for State Street Bridge & North side of Allen County shop, Commissioner King moved Chairman Daniels signs easements, Commissioner Brocker seconded, and motion carried 3-0-0.

Alan will discuss land for ambulance building in Humboldt at next week's meeting.

Larry Barnett, county citizen, stopped by to comment on Elk's Quarry. He doesn't feel the county needs the additional responsibility. He thinks buying it would be a mistake. Alan reported that someone is working on the correct legal description so it could be appraised. Chairman Daniels stated that there is usable property near the lake, but the lake is the main concern. He will request the appraisal be divided between the real property and the lake itself.

Commissioner approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$49,784.46
- b) Payroll Claim Voucher – Cindy Scovill for mileage
- c) Letter supporting Southeast Kansas Area Transit (elderly van grant)

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner King moved to adjourned, Commissioner Brocker seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m. until September 11, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioner room of the courthouse.

Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

Bill King, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

John F. Brocker, Commissioner