

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman Bruce Symes, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Lee, and Sherrie Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, Ricky Aiello, Allen County employee, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Director, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, Jessica Thompson, Jonathon Goering, Thrive Allen County, Daren Kellerman, Allen County Deputy, Bob Franklin and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Daniels led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

No one for public comment.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, discussed a snow plow for the airport truck. He presented bids from Croft Trailer for an 8' Snow plow, installed for \$9,178.80 no warranty; Smitty's Lawn & Garden for an 8' Snow plow, installed for \$6,690.84 no warranty; Mynutt Truck & Equipment for a 7.5' Snow plow installed for \$4,700.00 5-year comprehensive plow warranty. Discussion followed. Commissioner Lee moved to accept the bid from Mynutt Truck & Equipment for \$4,700. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch discussed handicap ramps into the storm shelters.

Mitch reported picking up brush and opening up a low water bridge from brush.

Mitch reported two blades are still down, parts are hard to get currently.

Chelsie Angleton, 911 Director, reported it is National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week. She stated she has an outstanding crew. Chelsie has 2 positions open she considers extras. Breail will be taken off the floor for training to see what Chelsie does so Breail can cover when Chelsie is done. Chelsie should have 11 full time staff and currently has 9. They are still training two; intense training. Once those are trained, they will hire two more.

Mitch reported he has been hiring but still needs four more.

Jason Trego, Emergency Management, reported Allen County has a possibility of bad weather this afternoon on into the evening. He explained.

Chairman Daniels asked for Jason to put a map together for where the storm shelters are located. He has been working on handouts.

Jonathon Goering, Thrive Allen County, reported they would know whether or not Allen County receives the airport grant shortly.

Jonathon stated the Allen County Regional Airport could be a firefighting hub for Southeast Kansas due to the length of the runway. It would require a fire hydrant that could handle a large fire hydrant for planes to fill up from. Discussion followed.

Chairman Daniels asked about ARPA funding for a water district shared with Bourbon County. Jonathon will check on it for next weeks meeting.

Commissioner Lee asked about where more hangers could go at the airport. Mitch stated it would be to the east of the current ones. Discussion followed.

Jonathon reminded the commission the Allen County Regional Airport Advisory meeting in this Saturday.

Jessica Thompson, mentioned Thrive Allen County received a small donation for storm shelters so they will be processing checks in a few days.

Jessica requested a support letter to maintain LeHigh Trails so she can apply for a grant. She would like the commission to approve the support. Commissioner Symes moved to approve Chairman Daniels to sign the support letter. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0

Commissioner Symes discussed letting ARPA set until the next wave of finances come in.

Commissioners stated on May 21, 2022 there is scheduled to have a FLY-in at the Allen County Regional Airport.

Chairman Daniels discussed an agreement for services with Tri Valley Developmental Services, Inc. to provide for residents with intellectual disability in Allen County. The commission had budget 2022 for \$70,000. Discussion followed. Commissioner Lee moved to sign the contact with Tri Valley Developmental Services, Inc. for 2022. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Lee moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Non-elected Personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:05 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:15 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Lee moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for Non-elected Personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:16 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:21 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Lee moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Non-elected Personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:23 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:33 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Note from Taxpayer Lloyd Hammond
- b) Added for Laymon Oil of \$31.30 value change of 188
- c) Monthly report from District Court clerk and Allen County EMS
- d) Monthly reports from January, February and March from Sheriff's office and Allen County Fair Board
- e) Monthly report for Allen County Solid Waste Financial Assurance Agency
- f) Payment Remittance for Hope Unlimited
- g) Monthly Fund Status report
- h) Monthly Budget Status report
- i) Letter from Kansas Department of Health and Environment regarding Kansas Water Pollution Control Permit #M-NE37-OO02
- j) Information from Southern Star
- k) Information from Gunnison County, Colorado

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 4/11/2022-\$177207.46
- b) Payroll – New hire Macallister Simpson
- c) Payroll – Reimbursement for training for Daniel McMurray, supplies for Robert

- Poydack, mileage for Sherrie L. Riebel, and meals for Jill Allen
- d) Payroll – Vacation carryover of 40 hours for Debra Ludlum to be used before November 17, 2022.
  - e) Abatements - Oil Val 4508, \$750.70, Year 2021  
SA value 0, \$450, Year 2021

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Lee moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m. until Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

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Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

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Bruce Symes, Commissioner

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Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

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David E. Lee, Commissioner