

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman David E. Lee, Jerry Daniels, Commissioner, Bruce Symes, Commissioner, and Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk.

Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor, Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Rick Aiello, Allen County employee, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, County Treasurer, Vicki Moss, Iola Register Representative, Bill Delich, Bettis Asphalt, Jason Jenkins, Global Medical Response (GMR), Tony Raboin, GMR, Graig Isom, GMR, and Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on February 21, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment; there was none.

Darolyn Maley, presented Resolution 202302 A Policy on Voiding Outstanding Checks.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 202302

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY VOIDING CERTAIN OUTSTANDING CHECKS ISSUED BY THE COUNTY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

WHEREAS, that at the end of each County fiscal year, all outstanding checks out of the Treasurer's "Daily Deposit Account" have been issued more than eighteen (18) months previously and in an amount of less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be void and the obligated funds shall be credited to the County General Fund.

WHEREAS, the "Daily Deposit Account" is identified as the account into which the Treasurer deposits collected funds of the County on a daily basis and from which checks are drawn for various obligations that are not processed through the County Clerk as "Accounts Payable".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following policy shall be adopted, to-wit:

WHEREAS, that at the end of each County fiscal year, all outstanding checks out of the "Accounts Payable" account having be issued more than eighteen (18) months previously and in an amount less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) shall be void and the funds from each voided check be credited back to the County fund from which it was originally drawn.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this 28th day of February, 2023.

Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve Resolution 202302 A Policy on Voiding Outstanding Checks. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported there will be a meeting at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 2, for the new landfill cell. There are 4 wells still needing capped before the liner can be placed. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported that the noxious weed truck has been switched over and ready for spraying. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported he sent out for bids for overlay. Bettis Asphalt was the only company to bid. The two areas bid out were Country Club Heights and 1400 Rd. This is more just informational at this time and no decision has to be made today. Mark recommends to go with Country Club Heights first and to budget for 1400 later on. Discussion followed. Commissioners requested to have Mark bring this back in a couple weeks with prioritization of projects that could possibly be taken care of at the same time.

Mark stated he will be looking for a few seasonal/part-time employees for this summer.

Mark reported the tractors and mowers should be in sometime in March or April.

Jason Jenkins, GMR, stated he is here to answer any questions the commissioners may have about ambulance services. Jason reported their proposal could change if other counties are willing to go into a "joint effort". So far 3 counties are interested in joining forces. GMR offers an air and ground membership program for services. This would mean they could bill the patient's insurance for the trip but the individual would not pay out of pocket. With counties coming together we would be able to share personnel. Commissioner Daniels asked what GMR/AMR's confidence level is that they can staff? Jason stated doing a joint effort like this makes it easier. Discussion followed.

Roberta Sinclair, citizen, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:05 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jason Jenkins, GMR, Tony Raboin, GMR, and Craig Isom, GMR. Commissioners reconvened at 9:15 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:16 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jason Jenkins, GMR, Tony Raboin, GMR, and Craig Isom, GMR. Commissioners reconvened at 9:21 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go back into executive session for 5 minutes for Trade Secrets. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:23 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Jason Jenkins, GMR, Tony Raboin, GMR, and Craig Isom, GMR. Commissioners reconvened at 9:28 a.m. No action taken.

Roberta Sinclair, citizen, reported on a street just west of the old Central Publishing. She owns property at the end of this street and is now landlocked. She is just requesting help getting access to her property. Discussion followed.

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk, requested on behalf of Brandi Hold, Director of Bands USD 257, to use the bandstand on Monday, April 24, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for their annual practice-a-thon. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve this request. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Shannon requested on behalf of Robin Schallie, Iola Area Chamber of Commerce, to use the bandstand and surrounding lawn on Saturday, April 8, from 10:00 a.m. to noon for their Easter egg hunt. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve this request. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Attorney Client for possible land acquisition. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:42 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Road and Bridge Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:57 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Update on proposed Last Mile Trail route
- b) Inventory from Lola Seniors Inc
- c) Annual report for West Cottage Grove Cemetery

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$115,859.64
- b) Payroll – Enrollment form Bethannie Yarnell
- c) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement Bruce Symes
- d) Abatements – RE, Value 5170, \$1073.24, Year 2022
PP, Value 978, \$171.74, Year 2022
TR, Value 380, \$55.28, Year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m. until Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner