

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

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Jermey Hopkins, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Chelsie Decker, 911 Director, Sarah Haney, Iola Register, and Paul Zirjacks, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Jason Trego led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the May 12, 2026, meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported AWOS is missing a few parts, it is still working. The tech is not scheduled to be here until August, so if we have him come now it will cost \$1800 as this will be a special trip. The parts are under warranty.

Mitch reported on an invoice being paid out this time for the airport work, a large portion of it will be reimbursed as part of the grant project.

Mitch asked again about the full-time mechanic at the landfill and the second person at the airport. Commissioners asked if the same person could do the airport and recycling? Discussion followed. Commissioners asked Mitch to put some numbers together to add the additional position for mechanic.

Mitch reported Foley stated the broom should be here this week.

Jeremy Hopkins, Road & Bridge Director, presented chemical bids for noxious weed. Van Diest was the only bid received for a total of \$12,121.34. SIMS and MFA did not submit bids. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the purchase of chemicals from Van Diest. Commissioner Brocker seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Jeremy presented CDL information about being able to train our own employees. Discussion followed.

Chelsie Decker, 911 Director, reported the console installation is happening this week. Delivery trucks should be here this morning. Right now, they are dispatching from Chelsie's and Breail's desks. Thursday should have vendors in to finish connecting everything back up.

Chelsie presented her proposed 2027 budgets. Very minimal increase to the 310 Emergency Management budget. She explained the increases to her 330 Dispatch budget, she will need to replace some tires, and payroll items.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported on an application for the KDEM grant. Jason explained the change to the application that needs signed again by the chairman. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the chairman's signature. Commissioner Brocker seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Rebecca Johnson, SEK Multi-County Health Department, joined the meeting.

Jason stated there could possibly be changes to the KDEM reimbursement due to changes with FEMA. Jason explained. Discussion followed. Jason emailed the full report to the commissioners to review.

Rebecca Johnson, SEKMCHD, presented a flyer on a storm ready movie night. She explained the plans for such. The movie will be shown on Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

Rebecca presented their proposed 2027 budget request. She is requesting the same amount as last year, \$118,450.00. She explained what this budget request funds within their organization. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee reported on a proposal from Mike Taylor. He quoted for consulting on a public information campaign for an Allen County EMS sales tax election. He is working through the process with Atchison right now. Discussion followed. Commissioners will review and revisit at a future meeting.

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk, asked the commissioners if they had reviewed the bid from Advantage Computer to create a new county website. Advantages quote is \$2,615.00. Discussion followed. Commissioner Brocker moved to approve Advantage to create a new website for \$2,615.00. Commissioner Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) KDOT letter regarding 5310 funding

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$639,591.22
- b) Payroll – Enrollment: Robert Hyden
- c) Payroll – Change: Sarah Insley
- d) Payroll – April process service: Patrick Cash, Edward Donovan, Kodi Hamrick, Brian Plumlee
- e) Abatement – RE, 10,100, \$1,419.62, Year 2025

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Brocker moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:43 a.m. until Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

David Lee, Chairperson

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, Allen County Clerk

John F. Brocker, Commissioner