

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

Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road and Bridge Director, Danielle Louk, Allen County employee, Kevin Turner, Noxious Weed employee, Jonathan Goering, Thrive Allen County, John Castellaw, Thrive Allen County, Carl Slaugh, Iola City Council member, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Daniels led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 4, 2022.

Chairman Daniels asked for public comment.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, introduced Kevin Turner as the new noxious weed employee. Mitch presented the commissioners with noxious weed information and a plan for next year. One item that may need to be addressed would be a larger water line to fill up the tank faster. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported that his plan to chip seal today was put on hold by the rain this morning.

Mark reported on the trip to Joplin to look at the city's MowerMax machines. Discussion followed.

Jonathan Goering, Thrive Allen County, updated the commissioners on the airport expansion project.

Jonathan reported on the Silicon Prairie, A Kansas Legacy Project, an economic development project for Coffey county. They will manufacture microchips that could be used by the Department of Defense. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked Jonathan about the progress of the Moderate-Income Housing project in Humboldt. He stated the construction is slowly coming along; will be able to see some progress soon.

Paul Zirjacks, citizen, joined the meeting.

Commissioners reminded the public that there will not be a meeting next Tuesday, October 18, 2022, as they will be attending the Kansas Association of Counties conference.

Commissioner Lee moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:55 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:05 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Lee moved to extend the executive session for 10 more minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:07 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:17 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:18 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Allen County Road & Bridge Director, and Robert E. Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:28 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Lee will represent the county at the Iola City Council meeting this evening.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Services to the Elderly Van weekly trip sheets 10/3/2022 – 10/7/2022
- b) Fire weather information from Jason Trego regarding burn ban
- c) ACI MAB & Multispecialty Clinic invoices
- d) Allen County Medical Arts Building invoices
- e) Moderate Income Housing Program – Monthly progress report
- f) Airport Layout Plan Update & Narrative Report
- g) Solid Waste Financial September report
- h) Treasurer's monthly report
- i) Appraisers office monthly reports for August & September
- j) District Court monthly report for August
- k) Public Works monthly report for September
- l) Sheriff's office monthly reports for April, May, June, July, August, September
- m) Fund Status report for January – September

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$404,392.33
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries - #60, #61, #62
- c) Payroll – New hire enrollment for Arin Roecker, Ilya Huddleston, & Kayla Garber
- d) Payroll – 6 month increase for Mark Griffith
- e) Payroll – Mileage reimbursement for Bruce Symes
- f) Payroll – Commodities reimbursement for Darcy Burton & Shannon Patterson
- g) Payroll – Vacation carryover request for DeWayne Zimmerman

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Lee moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m. until Tuesday, October 25 27, 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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Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

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David Lee, Commissioner