

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

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Terry Call, Zoning Administrator, Robert Johnson, County Counselor, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, Vicki Moss, Iola Register representative, DeWayne Miller, citizen, 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 October 24, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment. There was none.

Patty Dozier, citizen, joined the meeting.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported the crashed airplane has been picked up by the pilot's insurance company.

Mitch presented information on the difference in cost for the landfill cell based on 3% or 4% Bentonite Soil Amendment. They will use the test pad to determine if the 3% or the 4% Bentonite is needed. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported the striping company will be here tomorrow, they had been delayed due to weather.

Mitch stated the new lighting for the airport will not be started until next year.

Mitch asked if the commission would rather take just the lithium batteries or all electronics? It matters when it comes to submitting for the new permitting. Discussion followed.

Mitch stated they are still working on drawings for the location of the monofil.

Mitch discussed options for the 2006 Explorer we just received back from EMS. Mitch stated they could use the Explorer in place of one of their trucks. Then that truck could be switched out with Ron Holman's maintenance truck. Discussion followed.

DeWayne Miller, St John's Parrish representative, is requesting for St. John's Parrish to hold a rosary rally for all first responders. This would take place at the bandstand on Friday, November 10th at 3:00 p.m. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to approve the use of the bandstand for the rosary rally. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Patty Dozier, citizen, reported she has been trying to get some work done on her ditch. She said she has already spoken to the Road & Bridge Department. Discussion followed.

Chairman Lee reported on a nomination form for KWORCC voting delegates. Commissioner Symes moved for Chairman Lee to be the voting delegate, with Commissioner Daniels as the alternate. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee reported on a phone call from Patrick with NexTran. Patrick will be sending an email with information regarding trade in values for the trucks they were working on. Discussion followed.

Jason Trego, Emergency Manager, reported that President Biden declared the July 14h storm as a disaster. This means we can seek reimbursement. Discussion followed.

Jason reported on a Hazard Mitigation Grant that they will be submitting a letter to for a new storm siren in Mildred.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Attorney Client. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:00 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:15 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes asked about a letter of support for the Coordinated Transit District #10. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the letter of support. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported back on a question if whole cell phones and laptops will be accepted when keeping the lithium batteries in a separate site. He says they can be accepted.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) Change order for MSW Cell 2 Construction
- b) Information on Operation Green Light
- c) K-State Extension Open House November 7, 2023

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 10/26/2023-\$387,375.60 & 10/30/2023-\$175,561.74
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries – # 52
- c) Payroll – Enrollment for Ethan Collins
- d) Payroll – Reimbursements for Bruce Symes, Jerry Hathaway, Terry Call, Jerry Daniels, Travis Buck, Bryan Murphy, Misty Rice
- e) Motor Vehicle compensation for Darolyn Maley & Election compensation for Shanno Patterson
- f) Letter of Commitment for local matching funds for Kansas Department of Transportation grant

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Symes moved to adjourn, Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:19 a.m. until Tuesday November 7, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Assembly's Room of the courthouse.

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David E. Lee, Chairperson

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Bruce Symes, Commissioner

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Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

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Jerry Daniels, Commissioner