

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Jim Talkington, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on December 31, 2016.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Sarah Jones, Humboldt Union representatives, and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Sherrie presented more information on proposed redistricting of commission districts. Discussion and review followed. Commissioner Williams moved to not redistrict based up on the difference of 5% is still within law. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie reviewed the proposed contract with Advantage Computer for internet and email services. Commissioner Talkington moved to approve the Advantage Computer Contract for \$1,251.00. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, discussed the overpass bridge on Georgia Road and KDOT work.

Mitch reported KDOT will put up the signs on the overpasses once Allen County purchases them. KDOT is still checking on the size of signs.

Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Sherrie discussed Meals on Wheels volunteers throughout 2016.

Jerry reported a full time assistant attorney, Jacqie Spradling will be starting January 9, 2017. Discussion followed. Chris Phelan, current assistant attorney, will be leaving January 8, 2017.

Caryn Tyson, 12th District Senator, joined the meeting. Caryn commented the attitude is optimistic at the state with all the new changes. Commissioner Williams asked how she thought it would be handled. She stated anything done for taxes you won't see the differences right away, like income tax maybe sales tax, but most will be seen in 2018; there will be changes in the tax code. Fair and level tax code, fair to everyone. This is Caryn's 7th year in the legislature.

Commissioner Talkington asked about the school funding. She stated she thought maybe the block grant funding will still be in place, but there is a suit right now on school funding.

Commissioners asked about what she would like to see happen. Metal dealers and the laws were in effect to keep them safe. Discussion followed.

Caryn discussed small business income taxes and how it works. Discussion followed. She said there are LLC loopholes and how they get around them. Taxes were intended to go to zero. Caryn discussed farm losses and claims. Income tax was paid on the loss. She stated taxes in general are a mess.

Commissioner Talkington asked if the school general was going to be changed back to the 35 mills and take away the local LOB from schools. Caryn stated she hasn't heard of anything at this time.

Caryn stated she was appointed to the Tax Committee as Chair; but there still has to be 20 votes for her to accomplish anything.

Caryn had presented two amendments last year; one was to privatize Osawatomie, but she would like to keep it at a state level, not private. Discussion followed. They are looking at 94 beds in Osawatomie, but it should be 206 instead. She encouraged the commission to discuss issues with their Federal representatives. She discussed veterans' care and solutions.

Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, and Michael Burnett, Ambulance Director, joined the meeting.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register asked what she thought of the handing off of the state budget from Governor Brownback to the legislature. She stated she had heard that, but is looking forward to see what budget is presented. Caryn gets one ticket to the state. She voted against a KPERS bond. Caryn stated some of the legislators are in the stock market and thinks that should invest. Discussion followed.

Caryn stated they should be looking at a Thrift Savings Program. IT monies should be reviewed and discussed, not outsourcing services. She stated her point is nothing is going to be changed overnight, but need to be aware and working towards the issues. Caryn stated the Senate is broke out about 1/3, 1/3, 1/3. She stated she has been called conservative, but willing to listen and work.

Caryn stated there were 16 new Senators in 2014, more this year and only maybe 3 or more that has been in Senate since 2009.

Michael sent out for 5 bids: Emergency Services Supply (Osage Ambulance), American Response Vehicle (ARV), Professional Ambulance (Horton Ambulance), Braum - Pinnacle declined to bid and PL Custom – Danko Equipment – declined to bid.

Emergency Services Supply's bid was \$196,800 for a 2017 Ford F-550 4X4 with a 180 day delivery from purchase agreement or a \$196,425 for a 2017 Ford F-550 4X2 with a 180 day delivery from purchase agreement; American Response Vehicle's bid was \$196,861 for a 2017 AEV Truamahawk Type I 172X96X72 X-series Limited (Ford F-550 4X4 Powerstroke Diesel ambulance) or \$194,911 for a 2017 AEV Truamahawk Type I 172X96X72 X-series Limited (Ford F-450 4X2 Powerstroke Diesel ambulance) with a 120 to 150 day delivery from purchase agreement; Professional Ambulance (PA) bid was \$217,559 for a 2017 Ford F550 4X4/Horton 623 Type I Ambulance or \$214,569 for a 2017 Ford F550 4X2/Horton 623 Type I Ambulance with a 200 to 225 day delivery from purchase agreement. Michael stated he would like to see ARV keeping with the other ambulance vehicles in the fleet. Discussion followed on each of the bids. Commissioners asked whether another vehicle would be traded in. Michael stated he would visit with ARV to see about purchasing or trading or putting on Purple Wave. Commissioner Talkington moved to purchase from American Response Vehicle's for \$196,861. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Talkington asked to start the committee to discuss ambulance services and buildings, grants and such available and other items that come up. Commissioners asked for them to start the committee with Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Michael Burnett, Ambulance Director, and Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, someone from the hospital if needed, and commission if needed,

Michael stated they have started 2017 with the new reporting system. Discussion followed on cost, number of runs, and insurance payments.

Bob Johnson asked about ambulance buildings and stated all are county residents and to serve those areas better where the most monies come from Enbridge. Jerry stated the ambulances are bigger and moral are reasons to build and own the building, not to pay rent. Humboldt is already too high to take on any more funding towards another building expense.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers - \$
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Abatements: RE Value , \$, Yr 2016
PP Value , \$, Yr 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until January 10, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jim Talkington, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

January 10, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioner Thomas R Williams, Commissioner Jim Talkington and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. Chairperson Jerry Daniels was absent.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register and Sarah Jones, Humboldt Union representative, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Daniel Dale Creitz, Chief Judge of the 31st Judicial District, did the honor of swearing in Thomas R. Williams as Allen County Commissioner District #2 for his second term.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the January 3, 2017 meeting.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Carla Nemecek, Southwind Extension District and Jerry Middendorf, Allen County Fair Board Renovation Committee, and Larry Crawford, Allen County Fair Board, joined the commission. Jerry stated the Commission had requested proof of ownership of the buildings. He reported there is a 100 year lease on the grounds and everything on it. At one point there was a lease transferring it to the City so they believe the buildings belong to the city. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams stated based on what the Fair Board does; they deserve to have county support.

Carla stated Alan has reviewed the lease and said they lease it, but at the end of the day the city owns the land and buildings. Carla stated she believes there is still about 50 years still on the lease. Jerry stated they still have to repair buildings even though the city might own. Commissioner Williams asked for an estimate on the roof. Jerry stated \$30,000 but would like it to have an additional paper under the roof covering and add ventilation; the warranty is for 30 years. Commissioner Williams stated he looked and noticed there is some wood damage as well. Discussion followed on solutions and proposed solutions. Commissioner Williams stated he would like the county to help, but wants to make sure it will last a few years. Sheriff Murphy asked about what the Buildings and Trades School at LaHarpe might be able to do; worth a thought. Commissioner Talkington stated his concerns about fixing City buildings, in-kind work. He discussed keeping monies separate from the actual Fair Board monies. Discussion followed. Jerry discussed finances of revenue and expenses on the Fair itself. Jerry reviewed in detail a Five year average of events. Allen County currently gives the Fair Board \$11,000.00. Commissioner Williams asked that Jerry what he would like to see the county do for the Fair Board. Carla stated it has been good for them to research what the commission has asked. Jerry would like to make the Fair Grounds more attractive to draw attention. Commissioners asked to table the discussion for a week.

Larry Walden asked if they had visited with the City of Iola. Carla has a meeting today. The Fair Board had applied for Guest Tax from the City of Iola.

Commissioner Talkington asked if all the State Fillings have been done; Jerry stated there are 4 or 5 meters active at the time of fair. The president is Randy Slocum. They continue to pay for one meter to keep the fridge running.

Commissioner Williams moved to appoint Jim Talkington as 2017 Chairman. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0. Commissioner Talkington will serve as 2017 Chairman.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, presented information for Construction Program in Allen County, Kansas Bridge Replacement Grading and Seeding Bridge Project # 3.0-T.2. The bridge is located on 600th Street 0.8 miles North and 1.0 mile West of Petrolia over Scatter Creek. The proposed bridge is a 30' – 40' – 30' Span Reinforced Concrete Haunch Slab Bridge. Commissioner Williams moved to have the commission sign the Agreement. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, joined the meeting.

Sherrie requested commissioners review and approve Cereal Malt Beverage License for Humboldt Speedway Inc. Sheriff Murphy stated he was okay with it. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Humboldt Speedway. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Sherrie presented a resignation letter from Leon Harris, Iola Township Treasurer elect. He has moved into the City of Iola. The City of Iola is a second class city and by statute not allowed to be a township officer. The townships' nomination is Sari Hunt. Commissioner Williams moved to appoint Sari Hunt as Iola Township Treasurer for the unexpired term of Leon Harris. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Larry Walden, citizen, presented information on work he is doing on: The Constitution, Bill of Rights, Magna Carta, Articles of Confederation, and Declaration of Independence. Discussion

followed on his work as donation to Allen County to hang in the courthouse. Discussion followed on other items as well.

Larry stated he would like to have the commission purchase an MRI for the Allen County Regional Hospital and to build a clinic. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed the 2016 Annual Reports of Iola Township and Fire District #2 Allen County Rural Volunteers.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, didn't have anything to bring before the board.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – signed 1/5/17 - 2016 - \$557,152.44 & 2017 - \$58,437.91
Signed 1/10/17 – 2016 - \$40,443.14 & 2017 - \$202,937.03
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerk's Journal Entries: 1-2
- d) Inventory: Allen County 911 Communications Center, Moran Senior/Community Center, and Humboldt Senior Center.
- e) Abatements: PP Value 360, \$64.36, Year 2015
PP Value 540, \$96.14, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until January 17, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Absent
Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

January 17, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Sarah Jones, Humboldt Union and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, presented bids for remodel of the large courtroom. He explained there is cork board on the south court wall and has had a leak, the leak has been fixed, but needs repaired. Superior Builders, LLC for \$3,945.00 and DE Construction for \$5,200.00 and Dan Struck declined to bid. Discussion followed. New sheet rock and paint is all Judge Creitz requested. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the bid from Superior Builders, LLC. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie asked about raises.

Sherrie presented bids for the Employee Appreciation Dinner. Bids were received from Stacy Cakes for \$10.50 per person; Simply Delicious for \$11.00 per person and Smokin' Charlies, L.L.C. for \$11.50. Discussion followed on reviews for the department heads. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid from Stacy Cakes. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie requested signatures from the commission for the Secretary of State's List of County Officers.

Sherrie presented an Application for an Authorized Emergency Vehicle Permit (Red Light) for Travis Baughn for Fire/Rescue for Allen County Volunteer Fire in Allen County. It has been signed off on by Allen County Volunteer Fire Chief Darrel Baughn and Allen County Sheriff Bryan

Murphy. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the Authorized Emergency Vehicle Permit. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie presented Resolution 201701 concerning fixed assets:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201701

A RESOLUTION EXEMPTING ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS FROM THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 75-1117 (SUPP. 1978), 75-1120 (SUPP. 1982), 75-1121 (SUPP. 1988), AND 75-122 (SUPP. 1983) SO AS NOT TO REQUIRE ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS TO MAINTAIN FIXED ASSET RECORDS AND OBSERVE FIXED ASSET ACCOUNTING PRACTICES.

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

WHEREAS, Allen County, Kansas has determined that the financial statements and financial reports for the year ending December 31, 2017, to be prepared in conformity with the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120(a) are not relevant to the requirements of the cash basis and budget laws of this state and are of no significant value to Allen County, Kansas or the members of the general public of Allen County, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, there are no revenue bond ordinances or other ordinances or resolution of said municipality which require financial statements and financial reports to be prepared in conformity with said act for the year ending December 31, 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas, in regular meeting duly assembled this 17th day of January 2017, that the said Board of County Commissioners requests the Director of Accounts and Reports to waive the requirements of said law as they apply to Allen County, Kansas for the year ending December 31, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Board of County Commissioners shall cause its financial statements and financial reports of the said municipality to be prepared on the bases of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted to show compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of this state.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS**

Commissioner Williams moved to adopt Resolution 201701. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams moved to reappoint Walt Regehr, Jr. to serve another three year term from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019 on the SEK Mental Health Consolidated Board. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappointed Tom Williams, Nicholas Lohman and Jean Barber to the Multi County Health Board. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie asked the Commissioners about someone to serve in Paul Sorenson's place on the Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging Board. He had mentioned at a previous meeting he would like to have commissioners find a replacement.

Commissioner Williams moved to reappointed Mitch Garner and Commissioner Jerry Daniels, alternate, to the Southeast Kansas Solid Waste Operating Authority and Operating Authority Board of Directors. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappointed Jim Talkington, to the Executive Committee of the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams moved to reappoint Nelda Cuppy (term expires January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019) as nominated by City of Moran to the Moran Senior/Community Center Executive Board. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to reappoint Jean Barber to serve another three year term on the Public Building Commission. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Her term will expire in February 2020.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported a traffic accident which involved two employees. Employees were not injured, but there were three in the other vehicle that were, but will be ok.

Mitch presented the Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan and Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report for 2016 as required by K.S.A. 2-1316. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the Commission to sign the two reports. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. All commissioners signed the reports.

Mitch discussed the icy weather that was projected to come in over last weekend. He had a few employees out, but the weather warmed up so there wasn't as much ice as predicted.

Commissioners discussed raises and the pay scale submitted by Austin Peters Group. Commissioner Williams moved to increase wages at the cost of living of .3% and remainder of the increase up to 5% (4.7%) as discretionary merit with the caveat the department heads understand will it affect their department budgets and it is tax payer monies. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Cindy Lane, Southeast Area on Aging Director, presented information for Allen County in comparison to the other counties. They have cut into their reserves. Cindy had presented a request for \$10,000 for 2017 county funds back in June. Discussion followed. Commissioners will review and take under consideration.

Sherrie mentioned this is the time for the Commissioners to appoint the "Official Newspaper" again for the year. Chairman Talkington moved to appoint Lola Register as the official newspaper and continue to print in both Lola Register and Humboldt Union. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Loren Korte, Personal Service Insurance, discussed EMS Life Insurance for Allen County employees. Discussion followed. Bids were from Guardian for monthly cost of \$484.09 based on 100 employees, Mutual for monthly cost of \$379.82 based on 100 employees, Principal for monthly cost of \$370.89 based on 100 employees and EMC Insurance for monthly cost of \$290.45 based on 100 employees. Commissioner Williams moved to accept EMS Insurance for the employee's life insurance. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Carla Nemecek, Southwind Extension District and Jerry Middendorf, Allen County Fair Board Renovation Committee, and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, joined the commission. Carla reported the only change was a November utility bill which was incurred in August at fair time. Sales tax was paid of \$500 which was not in the current reports. Carla reported she had visited with Sid Fleming, City of Lola Administrator, they thought about a MOU with documenting who does what. They felt like the Fair Board leases (1966-99 year lease) therefore the buildings are the Fair Board's responsibility. Discussion followed. City will mow the grass, Fair Board maintains buildings. Jerry stated they have done a lot of research. County 5,000 4H council which pays for judges and mileage, Southwind is the extension but ministers the 4H but does not pay for the fair but does have the man power for fair planning and works. No monies goes to ...\$6,000 open class, security, advertising, utilities and such. The events used to make monies, they need to get back to that. Events now pay for only about 50% of the fair and sponsorships account for the remainder. Commissioner Williams stated it should always continue but will work with whatever is fair for all. Commissioner Daniels stated as long as Allen County is legally authorized to help he sees the need to have funding. Alan stated they county could help; and the 99 year lease would be a life time of the building. Carla explained portions of new changes for the Fair for 2017; it will be all going through the weekend, but will be shorter than a week; it will be July 27 to July 31. Chairman Talkington asked what other counties give to their Fair Boards. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels stated Fair also draws people to town. Carla stated having all the main events on the weekend should allow the working folks to attend. Commissioner Williams asked if the City would sell the buildings for an amount. Alan stated it is a municipal park, the buildings aren't movable so he doesn't see the city selling to the county in part. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams stated he doesn't care what the other counties do we need to do something for our community and their kids. It is about farms and real life and would like to see the city participate more. Commissioner Daniels would like to see an amount for 2017 and change it or go with a 5 year plan. Jerry stated \$30,000 for just the roof and then to

see what can be done after that. Commissioner Williams stated he stressed the main thing is to take the time and do it right, figure out a figure and plan and give courtesy. Jerry stated he felt the monies requested would be enough (\$30,000 per year) that once thing would all up and going they would be able to maintain on their own. Commissioners do not want to micro manage the project and feels the committee would do what is right and needed. Carla stated the monies should be in a separate fund under extension or 4H account. Chairman Talkington stated he has heart burn with the amounts; the \$30,000 for a roof is too high. He would like to have oversight of the monies. Commissioner Daniels moved to have Allen County Fair Board Renovation Committee have a capital improvement fund which the commission will budget \$30,000 for each of the next 5 years with the final approval for each expenditure recommended by the Fair Board to be approved by the County Commissioner. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed redoing the lease for Fair with the City of Iola.

Alan requested an executive session. Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Commissioner Daniels, Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:17 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:27 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners discussed Department Heads and Elected Officials raises. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve a .3% COLA and 2.5% increase. Commissioner Williams seconded, discussion followed. Motion passed 3-0-0

Commissioners reviewed the 2016 annual reports from Fire District #3 and Osage Township.

Commissioners reviewed a letter from Angela Murphy requesting to carry over 95 hours of vacation time.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 2016 - \$5,299.99 & 2017 - \$37,630.60
- b) Inventory sheets: Commissioner's Office and Allen County Clerk's Office.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until January 24, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

January 24, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on January 17, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, discussed the frame documents Larry Walden presented for the court house. Ron asked if he should leave them or what they want to do. Commissioners approved them to hang in the hallway of the Allen County Courthouse.

Ron hasn't gotten the work in the courtroom scheduled. He stated another project would be to put tile in the area of the elevator to replace the carpet.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Denise Smith, Event leader for Relay for Life of Allen County, to use the Allen County Courthouse lawn for Sunday May 28th 2017 to decorate the lawn to kickoff the relay event, then Friday June 2nd 2017 at 3 p.m. to start to set up for relay event and finally Saturday June 3rd 2017 from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday June 4th for the actual event. Commissioners approved the use of the courtyard and asked that Denise work with Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director.

Sherrie presented a letter from Angela Murphy, 911 Director requesting vacation carry over:
January 3, 2017

I would like to request that I, Angela Murphy, be allowed to carry over 95 hours of vacation time. As of this letter I am at 263 hours. As you know anything over 168 hours requires commissioner's approval.

I have taken minimal amount of time off in 2016 as my plate has been really full however anticipate having enough flexibility in 2017 to take some time off.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve Angie's vacation carry over to be used within 6 months. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie reported there are three KAC Certificates for recognition of Years of Service. Commissioners stated they would be presenting these at the February Employee Appreciation Dinner.

Joe Hess, Iola Senior Center, Inc. Director, expressed their appreciation of the county paying utilities so they can give donations back out to the community of \$21,000. He presented a list of the organizations and amounts; mostly schools, community gardens, hospice, Faith House, Hope Unlimited, library, CASA, Drug Court, Pregnancy resources, ACMAT, CURB, food pantry and Project Care.

Joe discussed the board and how they make their determinations of who gets the monies. They need volunteers to help at the site for maybe one day a week. They do pay a man to clean the place. Some of the monies are used for supplies for the center and a monthly volunteer luncheon. They sell about ¼ of the clothing that comes in and put the rest out by the fence for people to pick up. They do seasonal things and store it in the storage shed.

Joe stated there is a lot east of the senior center that he would like the county to purchase for \$1,000 for parking lots. He requested the commission to take under consideration. Also if the county has a moveable building in decent shape, that could be moved on the south lot and put a hallway in between buildings to enlarge their work area. This is in the flood zone so that would have to meet a height requirement. Discussion followed on other items they sell. Commissioners will take it under consideration, but not sure about the extra building.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, asked the commission if they had anything for him. All is going well for him and his department.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Business Trade Secrets. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:07 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:17 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Business Trade Secrets. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:17 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:22 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Business Trade Secrets. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:22 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:27 a.m. No action was taken.

Sherrie discussed the commission appointing or reappointing Andy Dunlap to the Regional Planning Revolving Loan Committee. Commissioner Daniels moved to reappoint Andy Dunlap. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie explained there is a position on the Southeast Regional Planning Commission that is appointed by the Allen County Commissioners. That position has been held by Carl Slaugh, previous City of Lola Administrator. Commissioner Williams moved to appoint Sid Fleming, new City of Lola Administrator to fill that position. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed the positions for appointment for Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging Board. Commissioner Williams moved to reappoint LaDonna Krone and to appoint Larry Walden to serve as Allen County Representatives. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie discussed Meals on Wheels volunteers for 2016. Commissioners discussed sending a letter personally inviting them to the Allen County Employee Appreciation Dinner February 21, 2017. Commissioner Daniels moved to invite the Meals on Wheels Volunteers to the dinner. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Commissioner Williams will draft the letter.

Sherrie reported Cindy Lane, Southeast Kansas Area Agency on Aging, was inquiring about funding. Commissioners stated they budgeted \$2,000 for 2017 and will take under consideration additional funding for 2018.

Sherrie requested the commission approve a payroll time keeping system that would be used by all the county employees from Computer Information Concepts (CIC) for \$24,815.00; annual support would be \$2,765. CIC currently supports the actual payroll, personnel and budgetary accounting. Discussion followed. Commissioners would like to see the program. Sherrie will set it up.

Larry Walden, presented information that Carla Nemecek, Southwind Extension Executive Director, was being recognized by Kansas Masons, K-State Research and Extension, the Kansas Department of Commerce and Kansas PRIDE for Strengthen Statewide Partnerships for all she does for her community and Southwind District. Commissioners expressed they were proud of Carla and the Southwind Extension and all they do as well.

Commissioners reviewed the 2016 annual reports of Deer Creek Township, Geneva Township, Humboldt Township, LaHarpe Elm Cemetery, and Allen County Fair Board.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Inventory: Allen County District Court
- b) Payroll Changes – 2016 -\$53,275.72 & 2017 -\$121,792.14
- c) Journal Entry #3

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Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the January 24, 2017 meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, presented cushions for chairs in Commission Room and baby changing table in the handicap restroom in the court end.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Angela Murphy, Allen County 911 Director, Jared Warner, City of Iola Fire Chief, and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, to discuss Global Record Management System. Everyone across the state is getting rid of the program. \$31,200 for annual maintenance one more update and no more for the cost. He explained the sale of the Global program to Caliber Public Safety out of Canada and the effects of the change to each of the three departments. Chief Warner explained what issues the city is having. Sheriff Murphy stated issues they have had. Discussion followed on what is happening and what options are available. Sheriff presented information for Enterpol and asking the commission to help purchase. There are 30 other counties currently using Enterpol's program. New World and ITI are other programs but seems to be more costly. Chief Warner explained the interface and charges with linking to the state. Enterpol would cost \$88,431.00 for initial costs, with the annual cost of \$28,121.00. Angie explained Global charged \$31,000 annual and Enterpol's would be \$28,121 for annual fees, which would be a savings to Allen County as a whole. Their current system is in fear of crashing due to no maintenance or updates available. Commissioner Williams asked Chief Warner if the city is expecting the county to carry the upfront cost. Chief Warner stated maybe the annual but he has to run it by the city council first. Commissioner Williams stated he didn't think it is a system that can only be one or two departments and work right; it needs to be an all-around program. The earliest they would be able to get online would be August. If they foot for Humboldt would they use it, LaHarpe would use it, Angie stated at a 911 meeting they would all use Enterpol. Commissioner Williams stated Global has been horrible to use. Bryan stated ITI costs have increased 20% in two years as per the people using it. Discussion followed.

Angie stated currently the surrounding cities will have to budget it in their budgets for the future. She mentioned the surrounding smaller cities are currently using free record managements. Commissioners would like to review the general budget and see where monies could help. Commissioner Daniels stated every cop in the county needs to use the same system. Commissioner Williams would like to see the cities have some "skin in the game" before the county commits to all this. Discussion on what costs the cities would be able to afford. All of the users have reviewed the program, there is much more options available for record keeping and fully interfaces with KLER program.

Larry Walden asked about how to break the costs; Sheriff Murphy stated the cost is pro-rated per license. Larry is more in concerned about the cost of the license coming by one. Commissioners explained the 911 board is the reviewing and the commissioners appoint the 911 committee. Commissioners expressed Sheriff Murphy stated ITI would save \$15,000 initial cost but will pay more over the next few years in annual costs.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, mentioned he will be getting oil bids for summer work but other than that they are crushing rock. Commissioner Daniels discussed truck limit signs for the bridges. Mitch stated he would do some checking on weight limits on the roads that were state highways at one time. Commissioners advised Mitch to take weight limit sign off of the culvert on old us Hwy (1150 St.).

Tony Thompson, Allen County Regional Hospital Executive Director, joined the commission to update them on how the hospital is doing. He reported the hospital is full due to flu type A. Tony reported 2016 not a typical year but 2017 is starting off like a favorable year. 2016 seen more baby's; 95 total, 10 over the year before. Discussion on use of the hospital. 2017 budget year easier to work with; several items to increase their surgical procedures. He discussed doctors and what specialists they have coming in new for 2017. Trarman orthopedist, Terry Schwab is being wooed and OBGYN, Becky Lohman is transitioning away from practice in end of 2018 so they will be looking for someone to carry on. Chairman Talkington asked about financial health, tony stated it will depend on the national level at this point with health care. Tony stated it all just depends on hospital procedures and Medicare &/or Medicaid aid.

Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, and Michael Burnett, Interim Allen County Ambulance EMS Director, joined the meeting.

Chairman Talkington asked about how the building is holding up and Tony stated Dr. Hamilton and Schwab were impressed on the building which helps with recruitment of doctors. Chairman Talkington asked about a medical arts building and where it is. Tony reported a committee and going after donation to build the building. Commissioner Daniels asked how the Humboldt Clinic is doing. Tony stated so, so; they don't use current patients to count for county; they only count the new ones they see. They are wanting to open the Moran Clinic and grow it. Tony discussed hours and places for the current doctors and PA's. Discussion followed. The wish list is on the

budget for a three year projection; there is always things they can use in equipment and none of it is cheap. Staffing is good and they don't want to transfer anyone due to staffing.

Commissioner Daniels discussed public relations persons for Allen County Regional Hospital. Is there anyone. Tony stated they are looking but it would be not only public relations but also fund raising. Discussion followed. Tony stated if they execute those three things and it will be a good year. Commissioner Daniels stated the commissioners want to see the hospital successful.

Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, and Michael Burnett, Interim Allen County Ambulance EMS Director, reported on January 24, 2017 at the city meeting to make Michael Burnett as Allen County. He requested the commission to approve as well. Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Michael Burnett as Allen County EMS Director. Chairman Talkington seconded, Commissioner Williams asked for discussion and asked Michael if he is sure he wants to do EMS Director. Motion passed 3-0-0

Commissioner Williams asked if the City of Iola would be willing to help pay \$500 towards the new Enterpol cost as a buy in? Discussion followed. Sid stated they would be willing to pay into the annual maintenance and an extra \$500 annually to Allen County to help with the initial costs for period of 3 to 5 years. Sid will present it. Commissioner Williams asked to contact the company and stated there are some items in the contract that shouldn't be since they already exist. Discussion followed.

Alan reported he will be meeting with Michael on the EMS Committee for review of the EMS Contract. Commissioner Daniels stated he would like the committee to involve the cities. Chairman Talkington is still interested in updating locations outside the City of Iola.

Commissioners agreed the fire should be one district for all of Allen County. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Land Acquisition Exception. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Daniels, Commissioner Talkington, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:53 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:58 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to seek an option to purchase and Alan will seek a variance with city on parking, Commissioner William seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sheriff Murphy discussed records for medical jail. He would like the commission to approve using Advanced Correctional Health. He explained what savings would be and what they compare to currently being use are local. Medical costs are raising for inmates. Anderson County is currently using Advanced Correctional Health and it has saved them \$100,000 last year. Discussion followed. Commissioners requested Sheriff Murphy to visit with the doctors and pharmacists first. Commissioner Williams asked if they could lock in the cost for 5 years. Sheriff Murphy stated they would like to use them because it is based on the current jail population but it would take the local out of the equation.

Debbie Trahan, Computer Information Concepts, presented a short demo for TimeClock Plus, a time keeping system for payroll. After review commissioners discussed whether every department would use it. Sheriff Murphy stated yes he would use it. Sherrie has tried using his and it will not upload to CIC and he has used Time Center and has not found it acceptable. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the purchase of TimeClock Plus with all departments using it. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Debbie will get a contract to have signed.

Sheriff Murphy presented a payroll change sheet for himself for an increase of \$5,520.00 for 2017. Commissioner Williams moved to adjust Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, to \$70,000.00 as a phase adjustment. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – 2016 -\$10,195.14 & 2017 -\$66,577.09
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Abatements: PP Value 3941, \$840.50, Year 2016
Oil Value 294, \$45.06, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until February 7, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

February 7, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Sheriff Murphy reported the City of Moran opted to buy into the new RMS System, which replaces Global Software, as well as the other LaHarpe, Humboldt, and Iola. Discussion followed. Sheriff Murphy reported KLER (software used by state) is used on the user side which changes from one department to another so it cannot be integrated without charge. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the purchase of Enterpol software for \$88,431.00 for initial costs, with the annual cost of \$28,121.00 for replacing Global Software. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sheriff Murphy discussed a 15' snake found dead on the Southwind Trail. He stated they thought it was someone's pet that might have gotten away.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported they are mainly patching pot holes. They have to go to Kansas City for asphalt.

Mitch stated the Georgia Road Bridge is open for the public. There is still a little work for the state to finish up, but they will be using a flag man.

Mitch reported the signs are still on hold for the overpasses because he is waiting on the state for specs, but the State will be installing once they get the signs.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Phil Drescher and Stephen Euston, Bukaty Companies, Andrea Huffman, Group Consultant for Blue Cross Blue Shield and Janet McMurray, Regional Manager Blue Cross Blue Shield, joined the meeting. Andrea discussed a fully insured option with a wellness side. They are a customer oriented company and will have a Kansas answer if the customer has a question. The claims are electronically filed, which causes a faster payment to the doctor. Andrea explained more info and benefits to Allen County employees.

Andrea explained why they look at both fully insured vs partially funded. She stated the fully insured would mean the numbers would be \$721.58 per employee. Discussion followed; member pay, doctor office visits, drug coverage, medical services, recovery/special needs, mental health and other items BCBS covers. Andrea discussed run out charges the county would have to pay. Deductible carry over is every year, not just the first year. BCBS gives utilization reports for companies over 50. The biggest hurdle going from self-funded to fully funded would be run out.

Andrea explained the renewal time is 60 days out and will not change once it is provided to Allen County.

Phil Drescher and Stephen Euston, Bukaty Companies, presented renewal options for 2017 health insurance. Phil discussed the 2016 aggregate report and renewals. He reviewed Blue Cross/Blue

Shield versus renewals. They reviewed each of the different option reports. Discussion followed. No action was taken at this time.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, requested permission to renew the termite inspection with All in One for \$380.00. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the renewal. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Ron discussed handicap railing in the restrooms. Discussion followed on ADA requirements. Commissioners discussed to have a contractor review the area and give an estimate for installation.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:32 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:42 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:42 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:47 a.m. No action was taken.

Alan and Sherrie requested to have nonexempt employees paid by the hour, not the current hourly/salary. Discussion followed on the benefits for this change. Commissioners approved the change to be effective April 1 which would reflect the April 20 pay.

Alan reminded the Commissioners of the upcoming zoning decision next week at their commission meeting.

Larry discussed the property behind the lola Senior Center that has had EPA take care of dirt.

Commissioners reviewed Logan Township's annual report.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 2017 - \$17,352.32
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries: 4-6
- c) Abatements: RE Value 45,560, \$7,776.92, Yr 2016
PP Value 1093, \$183.18, Yr 2016
TR Value 168, \$24.00, Yr 2016
Oil Value 294, \$45.06, Yr 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until February 14, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

February 14, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on February 7, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, George Rose, and Zach Rose, businessmen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Confidential Data. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Bill Maness, Thrive Economic Development Director, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 8:31 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:41 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Confidential Data. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Bill Maness, Thrive Economic Development Director, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 8:41 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:46 a.m. No action was taken.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, asked if the commission needed anything, neither side did.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, presented bids for the handicap bar for the restrooms. The bid was for \$200.00 for a 42" stainless steel grab bar. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington moved to accept the bid from Superior Builders. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners adjourned to the Assembly Room for the Zoning discussion.

Commissioners convened to the assembly room to discuss the zoning.

Those present are Gary Covey, Beverly Covey, citizens, Sam Massey, Nexter Energy Resources, Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Zack Rose, George Rose, businessmen, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, Patti Boyd, citizen, Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, Sandra Drake, Allen County Appraiser, and Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff.

Chairman Talkington introduced the board. He welcomed questions regarding the conditional use zoning permit. Patti asked where we are in the process. He answered the zoning board has come up with policies and procedures. Alan stated this is putting in place the terms and conditions for putting in a wind farm. That in itself hasn't happened yet; this is just establishing the rules of the game. Patti asked about any kind of plan for getting wind farms in the county. Alan said the zoning board thinks a plan should be in place. Commissioner Williams said wind farms are definitely in his thoughts for the future. Commissioner Williams thanked the zoning board for all their work toward these efforts. Patti asked commissioners if they received her letter. They stated they received her email. Mr. Covey lives south of US Hwy 54, he discussed wind farms. He has signed up his land for use for such. Commissioner Daniels asked if that will help with his farming, he stated it probably will. He doesn't see a problem as far as wildlife goes. He stopped and listened to the windmills near Waverly and didn't notice noise. Patti said she had stopped and did hear noise. Alan stated it would be required to be at a 50 decibel limit. This is on page 2 of the criteria that was sent out. Mr. Covey said there is a meeting Feb 21 in Moran concerning wind farms. Sam Massey reported on two possible projects for the county. The average project is 100 turbines. Mr. George Rose is concerned about economic development in Allen County. He feels someone will have it around us; he thinks Allen County should have it. Commissioner Williams stated people in Waverly report being happy with the windmills. Heather asked if wind farms would negatively impact future residents coming to Allen County. Patti stated she has been involved in trying to recruit physicians to the hospital. She feels the turbines would be ugly and change the identity of the county and make it difficult to get new people here. She does appreciate the zoning board looking into this and having criteria for wind farms. She said maybe it would nice to be the county without the wind farm to attract professionals to a nice country setting. Commissioner Williams said it could attract professionals due to an increased income here. Patti asked if the \$6,000 annual payment for those that sign up to have wind turbines on their land is enough to really make a difference for the landowners. Mr. George Rose said the increased income will benefit all of Allen County. Tom Young, Anderson County Zoning Administrator and Grant Corley, Anderson County Zoning Chairman joined the meeting.

Sam explained if you sign a lease, you'll get a guaranteed amount, but may not get a turbine on your land. The amount is not really substantial, but it is something. He said there is another company looking at Crawford County. Sam stated his company has land in Bourbon County already signed up. Some lease members are receiving a payment now. Heather asked about how many landowners will this benefit. Alan said each application is unique. We won't know until an application gets filed. However, first the rules have to be established. Patti said this is not like building a factory or a barn, once wind turbines are up, there will be no getting away from them. She says to find a place where there are fewer people. She feels it would be an intrusion. She said she will not sign a lease.

Commissioner Talkington thanked everyone for coming. The discussion is most helpful. Commissioners reconvened to the commission room at 9:45 a.m.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve the zoning board's rules and regulations for windmills, which establish the permit-obtaining process, Commissioner Daniels seconded, Chairman Talkington stated he wants more time to review such. Motion passed 2-1-0.

Payment in lieu of taxes for ten years.

Alan explained what Anderson County Zoning Board had done to contend with the wind farms.

Alan reported an alley than needs vacated in Bayard. He is going through the process and will publish.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$20,392.06
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Journal Entry #7
- d) Abatements - RE, Value 5162, \$721.86, Yr 2016
RE, Value 2723, \$572.40, Yr 2015
PP, Value 9430, \$2150.40, Yr 2016
Oil, Value 294, \$45.06, Yr 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until February 21, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

February 21, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the February 14, 2017 meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, discussed attending a couple of workshops. He requested to be allowed to attend on the clock. Commissioners approved.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, wasn't able to join the meeting due to the flu.

Commissioners discussed a meeting KDOT will be holding in the county, on March 22, 2017 at the Thomas Bowlus Fine Arts Building. Commissioner Daniels will attend for the commissioners.

Commissioner Talkington discussed a CDBG grant possibility for the City of Moran.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the land for east of the Iola Senior Center, Inc. building at 224 N. Chestnut. It is a couple of months out to obtain.

Alan discussed the wind energy Resolution No. 201702. Commissioners approved the regulations last week.

ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS

- 1. A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FOR PLACEMENT OF COMMERCIAL RENEWABLE ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS**
- 2. IN ALLEN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Commercial Renewable Energy Conversion Systems are growing in use throughout Kansas and the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County desires to provide regulations for the orderly development of any such systems in Allen County; and

WHEREAS, the proposed **Commercial Wind Energy Project (CWEP) Criteria and Conditions for a Special Use Application** attached hereto has been reviewed and considered by the Allen County Planning Board at a public hearing as require by law; and

WHEREAS, the Allen County Planning Board has recommending adopting the provisions of said Criteria to be a part of the Allen County Zoning Regulations;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners as follows:

That the proposed **Commercial Wind Energy Project (CWEP) Criteria and Conditions for a Special Use Application** attached to this resolution be and are hereby adopted and added to the Allen County Zoning Regulations.

Passage of this resolution is by a vote of 2 yeas (Williams and Daniels) and 1 nay (Talkington)

This resolution shall become effective upon publication in the official county newspaper.

RESOLVED THIS 14th DAY OF February, 2017.

Alan discussed the insurance proposed by Bukaty, Inc. and Blue Cross Blue Shield. Discussion followed on both of those. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the county renew with BMI through Sirius. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Larry Walden, citizen, presented a pair of "flip flops" and a cell phone. He asked if the county has a policy for "flip flops" because he doesn't think it is proper. He doesn't think personal cell phones should be used in the offices. Larry requested the commissioners make a policy addressing these items.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – 2016 -\$11,417.27 & 2017 -\$169,347.93
- b) Inventory: EMS from Humboldt, Iola and Moran's stations
- c) Payroll Changes
- d) Abatements: PP Value 402, \$79.90, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until February 28, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

February 28, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. Chairperson Jim Talkington was absent.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting.

David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Bill Maness, Executive Director, and Jim Gilpin, executive vice president and John McRae, Iola Industries, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Confidential Data. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 2-0-0. Those in the room will be Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Bill Maness, Executive Director, Jim Gilpin, executive vice president Iola Industries and John McRae, Iola Industries President and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 8:30 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:40 a.m. No action was taken.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed equipment. The Bomag at the Landfill is not working at this time.

Mitch stated he is working on getting measurements for 9th Street in Humboldt, then they will get it completed. Discussion followed.

Bob Johnson asked if the county had any plans for removing debris from the Humboldt River Bridge area. Mitch stated no, there hasn't been any takers on requesting bids. Commissioners asked about the Core of Engineers. Mitch will check with them. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte, Personal Service Insurance, Inc. (PSI), and Justin Sager, PSI representative, discussed the March 18, 2017 to March 17, 2018 policy. Loren reported the premium has gone up, but mostly in auto. Currently the county has \$500 deductible and he suggested the county go to \$1,000 which would be lower if there are only a couple of deer hits. The county would take a hit if there is a hail storm. Discussion followed. The premium for 2016 was \$138,523 and this year it is up to \$150,281.00. He will catch up with the Department heads for equipment in their departments.

Loren discussed insurance and the future of insurance due to legislation.

Loren stated the new life insurance will take effect April 1, 2017. Discussion followed.

Karen Gilpin, Recycle Committee and Rotary, Donna Grigsby and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor discussed a request to put out signs before the Paper Drive to remind persons of the paper drive. They would like to have signs approved to put on the courthouse square. They are also putting signs around the churches and schools and along Madison Street. Commissioners approved.

Donna Grigsby requested trailers have banners that say "Allen County Recycles". Commissioners asked about painting the trailers. Discussion followed. Karen reported Humboldt hauls back boxes to bale as is Tramec. They will be getting things up to take plastic, glass and cardboards.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, reported the jail's Life Scan is down forever, they will be getting a Federal Grant for a replacement. It will be KBI's equipment, but Allen County would be responsible for the maintenance. He explained how the system works. This equipment normally runs \$30,000.00.

Commissioners discussed coroner transportation and conflicts. Discussion followed. Alan will check on the issue.

Sherrie swore Commissioner Jerry Daniels in as a member of the 911 Coordinating Council for the State of Kansas.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 2016 - \$569.91 & 2017 - \$68,499.85
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries: 8-10
- c) Abatements: PP Value 1724, \$368.56, Yr 2016
PP Value 1489, \$319.52, Yr 2015
PP Value 1499, \$334.16, Yr 2014

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until March 7, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

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Jim Talkington, Chairperson

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Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

_____ _____
Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

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Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 7, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported tornado damage from last evening. Several of the hangars at the airport are damaged, but the contents look to be somewhat okay.

Mitch reported there are trees and power poles down along old highway 169(1100 Street) and Minnesota Rd. and some areas adjacent. Landfill has no power due to a substation being blown away.

Mitch mentioned he has called Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, about the tree pile up at the Humboldt River Bridge. Someone one might be interested in removing the trees.

Larry Walden, citizen, discussed SB154 and what it means. He stated Senator Caryn Tyson voted against it.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed a letter submitted to G & W asking about timing of building.

Bryan Murphy, Allen county Sheriff, discussed the substation on Minnesota Road and 2600 Street south of LaHarpe.

Alan discussed the coroner transport for the 31st Judicial District. Dr. Mitchell will be writing specs for coroner transportation. Sheriff Murphy explained the difference between attended and unattended deaths. It has to do with having a physician, also if there's a question about cause of death. An autopsy is usually around \$3500.00. Cremation is \$120.00.

Commissioner Talkington discussed a letter received saying that the state would not fund rural opportunity zones in the future.

Commissioner Talkington shared a letter stating that the Iola Register is doing the Allen County chronicles and has asked if the commission wants to do an ad.

Sheriff Murphy discussed damage at the airport and asked if there was any damage to planes that are there.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers -\$13,990.94
- b) Letters – Thrive and G&W
- c) Payroll Changes
- d) Clerks Journal Entries: #11
- e) Abatements: RE Value 6137, \$915.26, Year 2016
RE Value 696, \$100.10, Year 2013
PP Value 579, \$93.08, Year 2016
Oil Value 1680, \$250.56, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until March 14, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 14, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on March 7, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, Larry Walden, citizen and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney stopped in to say "Hi!"

Sherrie requested Commissioners to approve the annual contract with Advantage Computer for \$1,200. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Jack Stanley and Brad Crusinbery, Principals of Iola Middle School to use the Allen County Courthouse Lawn for the Iola Middle School's spring band and choir concert on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. Commissioners approved and to coordinate with Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director.

Angie Murphy, 911 Director, asked about Family Safety night in June, she is requesting to use the courtyard for inflatables and dunk tank. Commissioners approved.

Angie requested to send employees to training; Navigator Conference, out of state travel and would like to send people to it. It is in New Orleans, there will be 1200 persons attending. They will learn about vendors and upgrades, cost would be \$2,264 for one, \$4,500 for two persons to attend, April 12th to 14th. Commissioners approved.

Commissioners discussed the new Nex Gen with Angie. She said currently the mapping is the only difference.

Angie discussed vehicles maintenance/insurance cost \$32,000 during the last six years. She requested to get a new vehicle, if she gets rid of the four she currently has. Someone in town has offered to purchase the vehicles. She has requested bids for vehicles. The recommendation is for a SUV, Edge or Explorer. The cost of \$18,000 will be the county's obligation if purchasing the Edge. It would also be a \$2,000 insurance savings a year. Discussion followed on what it would be used for. Angie presented information. No action was taken at this time.

Commissioner Talkington asked about the tower. An engineer is suggesting replacing it. Angie doesn't have all the information at this time. The cost would be \$150,000 to replace just the 911 tower. Commissioner Talkington asked if she could start budgeting for over the next few years.

Commissioner Daniels suggested having Capital Outlay pay for it. Discussion on where a tower could go that would benefit Sheriff's Office as well as 911.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported an insurance adjuster has been at the airport for the damage from the tornado last week. Discussion followed.

Mitch has not gotten the oil bids back for chip and seal this year but will have soon.

Mitch discussed about the brush under the Humboldt Bridge and said Core of Engineers weren't concerned about the bridge being damaged. He has a couple of people interested in removing it and they just have to have a Core of Engineer permit. Discussion followed.

Howard Dillow, citizen and David Bideau, attorney, joined the meeting.

Mitch discussed putting a pipe in south of Howard Dillow's property to a pipe south of the road. Mitch reported there is a field that runs a lot of water on the property when it is raining. Howard explained what 1.7 inches of rain does to the ditch. He has concerns if it rains more, he would not be able to get to the shed from the house. Discussion followed.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, joined the meeting.

Howard and Mitch discussed a possible solution and will try it to see if it will solve the water problem. Commissioners approved.

Alan discussed budgets. He discussed Economic Development and the Hospital fund.

David Bideau, Attorney/Neosho County Commissioner stated Neosho County has used Gericke out of Chanute to remove debris from bridges. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:01a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:06 a.m. No action was taken.

Sherrie discussed a Kansas Department of Transportation audit which Jon Moore suggested adding a section defining Service Animals. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the revised Allen County Services to the Elderly Van Policies and Procedures. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie reported Allen County has been awarded a 14 Passenger Small Transit Bus.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$95,317.31
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Journal Entry #12-13
- d) Abatements - RE, Value 2530, \$587.36, Yr 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until March 21, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 21, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, Chris Bauer and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the March 14, 2017 meeting.

Angela Murphy, 911 Director, discussed her request from last week for a vehicle. She wanted to let the commission know options she has:

- JD Auto has agreed to give Angie \$1,000 each for those buses. She didn't pay anything for them to begin with plus she talked with Tim Thyer and Michael Burnett who have experience selling ambulances and they thought \$1,000 each was MORE than reasonable for the shape and condition of the 20 year old buses. JD was going to part them out. It will be commissioner's decision if they choose to get rid of them in this fashion but she wanted to give the commission this additional information.
- Angie went through my notes and remembered she didn't initially look into the Partners Program because she didn't want the hassle of trying to sell the truck and the jeep outright. If Angie trade them in she would receive \$5,500 for the pair otherwise she would have to buy a vehicle at full price and then try to sale these on Purple Wave or whatever method commissioners suggested in efforts to try and recoup some of the money back. Having said that she looked at a total of 3 options for purchasing. Angie agree with commissioner's observation about the Edge being too small. Every vehicle she compared she asked for the basic package and no upgrades.
 - Twin Motor
 - 2016 Ford Edge priced at \$25,790 minus trade in \$20,290
 - 2017 Ford Explore priced at \$28,300 minus trade in at \$22,800
 - Partners Program
 - 2017 Grand Cherokee \$25,619.66
 - 2017 Ford Explore \$29,236.47
 - 2017 GM Acadia \$31,464.53
 - KHP Fleet Sales
 - There is a 2 year waiting list for an Explore. A 2016 Explore will be \$22,250 and a 2017 Explore will be \$23,250 but we couldn't pick them up until 2019. They don't have any Tahoe's. They did have some Suburban's but they said they were used by K-9 handlers and I wouldn't want them after they were finished with them. They have Dodge Chargers available but I didn't ask for pricing as a car will not meet our current needs.

It is Angie's opinion that the Ford Explore from Twin Motors seems to be the best buy out of these options above and if we get \$2000 for the buses that would make the counties total obligation for the Explore \$20,800. This would also enable her to have a vehicle with warranty.

Commissioners discussed. Commissioner Daniels moved to accept the bid from Twin Motors Ford Explorer for \$20,800. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners agreed Angie could dispose of the two buses according to Allen County's Disposition of Surplus Property.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve transfer of leave of county employees to another county employee who needs it. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchel Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed the damage at the Allen County Regional Airport to the hangars. They discussed changing the doors to be more efficient.

Cole Herder, Humboldt City Administrator, joined the meeting.

Mitch reported he will be presenting oil bids for dust control next week.

Mitch reported Norm Bowers will be here next week to pass out Road Scholar Certificates to pass out to some of Mitch's employees.

Cole discussed a five year plan for the county roads through the City of Humboldt. He stated they would like to mill and overlay but they have no money and would like the county to help out. Discussion followed.

Cole mentioned the Core of Engineer's opinion of the tree build up at the Humboldt River Bridge. Discussion followed. Mitch is still checking into other options.

Debbie Bearden and Robin Schallie, Farmer's Market representatives, joined the meeting. Debbie introduced Robin as a new employee for Farmer's Market. They explained there will be 3 markets, one on the square, one on Moon's Market on Saturday, State Street on Tuesday afternoons at the old Country Mart site. They requested to use the east side of the square for the Farmer's Market on the square on Thursday nights. Debbie is secretary of the board. Robin is the new market director. Double up food bucks will be back in Allen County this year. Debbie explained how it would work. Gene Myrick is site manager and Debbie explained what his job will be.

Tom Rutledge, Humboldt Historical Preservation Alliance, Marilyn Davis, Jan Coykendall, and Dorcas Romary, were present to discuss the City of Humboldt's 160th Anniversary. It is scheduled on May 20th Celebration of Humboldt. There will be an 1800's Baseball game, Geo Cash (treasurer hunt), petting zoo, free hot dogs, Happy 160th Birthday Cake, stage coach rides, fishing tournament and more. They have been getting monies from the City of Humboldt (\$1,000) and a few other fund raisers. The more they can get the more they can do. They would like to do all free. Commissioner Daniels moved to donate to them \$2,000 from the commissioner's fund. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, joined the meeting.

Paul Finney, Chris Bauer, Joe Works, Walter Wolf, and John Works, Downtown Action Team members, requested to restore the front of the Humboldt Senior Center to the turn of the century look. Paul presented a picture from 1910 to 1911. He discussed taking the tin off and seeing what is behind it. They will work up the best estimate they can for restoring the building.

Paul stated the Humboldt Senior Center resembles a barn currently, and could sell the tin to a farmer. He presented pictures of now and then and what the Downtown Action Team has done so far. They have restored about 14 buildings to date. Some of the updates are street lights and bandstand as well. Most of the money used has been raised or donated. The bandstand was put on the State Historical listing as is Pat Haire's building an old coach house.

Paul stated the biggest project is the North side of the square, Joe Works purchased 5 of the buildings and is in the process of renovation of one the damaged building.

Paul explained Allen County owns the Humboldt Senior Center building and they want the county to restore it. Commissioners requested an estimate before they could make a decision.

Paul reported there is no one in the Nation that has two such individuals and their businesses investing in their community as Joe Works, B & W and Walter Wolf, Monarch Cement Company.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed CDBG grants to build ambulance buildings. Allen County is the ambulance provider even though it is ran out of the City of Moran. Discussion followed on what is going to have to be completed to apply. Cole mentioned KAN STEP as a program for funding but right now it is questionable in offering funding. Some entities have used it for projects. Discussion followed on fire districts and ambulance stations. Cole explained the City of Humboldt has property that they have been holding on to for a new fire station. Discussion followed on whether or not the two could be combined. Cole explained he has not discussed any of this with the City of Humboldt so all this is just his opinion. Sheriff Murphy explained some of the fire districts have newer buildings and so they might just need to be added on to accommodate ambulance areas. Alan reminded the commission that the fire districts are not necessarily housing ambulances in their area. Discussion followed. Alan will get with Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator and Phil Merkel, City of Moran Mayor to get a committee and a plan.

Sheriff Murphy is selling a 2011 Chevy vehicle to Fire District #3 for \$2,500, which is the Elsmore/Savonburg area.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – 2016 - \$1585.02 & 2017 - \$165,183.22 signed 3/17/2017 for 3/20/2017 payout
- b) Clerk's Journal Entries:
- c) Payroll Changes & Approvals
- d) Abatements: PP Value 1382 , \$211.66, Yr 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until March 28, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

March 28, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting.

Amy Daniels & Ashley Varner, CASA, and Donita Garner, Hope Unlimited, discussed Child Abuse Prevention Month (April). Amy requested the commission to adopt 2017 Proclamation. Donita explained what Hope Unlimited does in regards to Child abuse.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION – 2017

WHEREAS, children are key to the state's future success, prosperity and quality of life and, while children are our most valuable resource, they are also our most vulnerable; and
WHEREAS, children have a right to be safe and to be provided an opportunity to thrive, learn and grow; and
WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect can be prevented by supporting and strengthening Kansas' families, thus preventing the far-reaching effects of maltreatment, providing the opportunity for children to develop healthy, trusting family bond; and consequently, building the foundation of communities; and
WHEREAS, we must come together as partners so that the voice of our children are heard by all and we are, as a community, extending a helping hand to children and families in need: and
WHEREAS, by providing safe, stable and nurturing relationships for our children, free of violence, abuse and neglect, we can ensure that Kansas' children will grow to their full potential as the next generation of leaders, helping to secure the future of this state and nation;
THEREFORE, I, Commissioner Jim Talkington, Allen County, Kansas, do hereby proclaim April 2017 as Child Abuse Prevention month.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve 2017 Proclamation. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Amy reported some statistics for child abuse in Kansas.

Paul Sorenson, citizen, joined the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, discussed the parking lot on the North. It needs to be replaced instead of repaired. He would like to get bids to fix it. Commissioners agreed.

Paul Sorenson, citizen, encouraged all three of the commissioners to add their name to the list to help and support businesses like G & W to grow this community.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, presented bids for dust abatement. One bid was received from Scotwood Industries for \$1.085 per gallon for Mag Chloride and \$1.44 gallons of 35% Calcium Chloride and 2 hours free spray time then \$85.00 per hour. Last year's Mag Chloride cost was \$1.055 per gallon with 2 hours free then \$85.00 per hour.

Mitch suggested the public cost for dust abatement needs to go up .09 cents to offset the cost of mag Chloride and calcium chloride for 2017. Discussion followed. Last year's dust abatement to the community was \$1.50 per foot.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the bid from Scotwood Industries and to increase the cost of the dust abatement to \$1.59 per foot. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch presented bids for asphalt oil proposals. Bids were Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions for RS-1H for \$1.57, RS-1M for \$1.63, CRS-TR no bid, RS1HM no bid, CRS-2 no bid, MC-800 for \$2.22, AEP for \$2.10, Pump Charge of \$60.00, Demurrage of 2 hours free then \$80.00 per hour, no moving charge, return load rate \$290.00; Vance Brothers for RS-1H for \$1.65, RS-1M no bid, CRS-TR no bid, RS1HM no bid, CRS-2 no bid, MC-800 for \$2.15, AEP for \$2.35, Pump Charge N/C, Demurrage of 2 hours free then \$70.00 per hour, return load rate \$100.00 and a \$.20 per gallon; Coastal Energy for RS-1H for \$1.39, RS-1M for \$1.72, CRS-TR no bid, RS1HM for \$1.87, CRS-2 no bid, MC-800 for \$2.04, AEP for \$1.98, Pump Charge of \$70.00, Demurrage of 2 hours free then \$70.00 per hour, return for loads less than 5,500 rate \$425.00; Wright Asphalt for RS-1H no bid, RS-1M no bid, CRS-TR for \$1.95, RS1HM no bid, CRS-2 for \$1.70, MC-800 no bid, AEP no bid, Pump Charge of \$75.00, Demurrage of 2 hours free then \$80.00 per hour, no moving charge, return load –full freight there & half back. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the bid from Ergon. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 8:50 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:55 a.m. No action was taken.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed G & W's announcement in the Iola Register last evening that they need more money incentives to build in Iola. Bob Johnson asked about a loan to the company to be paid back to the county. Discussion followed.

Chairman Talkington opened the meeting for the Osage Township – Bayard vacating of alley. Alan explained Paul Ross owns both sides of the alley and has built in it and this is just clean up. Commissioners reviewed Resolution 201703:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201703
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS,

A RESOLUTION VACATING A CERTAIN SECTION OF ALLEY LOCATED
WITHIN ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas has proposed to vacate a certain section of platted but unimproved alley, pursuant to K.S.A. 68-102a, described as follows:

An undeveloped alley lying between Lots (1) through (8), Block (1), Bayard, Allen County, Kansas (on the north) and Lots (9) through (16), Block (1), Bayard, Allen County, Kansas (on the south)

WHEREAS, notice of said proposed vacation has been given by the County Clerk as required by K.S.A. 68-102a, and that the adjacent landowners have either agreed to the vacation or have entered no objection thereto; and,

WHEREAS, the Board has found and determined that said alley is not a public utility by reason of non-development, non-use and inconvenience and that the necessity for said alley as a public utility does not justify the expenditure of the necessary funds to develop and to keep the same in condition for public travel, and

WHEREAS, said vacation consists of less than two consecutive miles, as required by statute;

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

An undeveloped alley lying between Lots (1) through (8), Block (1), Bayard, Allen County, Kansas (on the north) and Lots (9) through (16), Block (1), Bayard, Allen County, Kansas (on the south)

That the County Clerk shall cause a certified copy of this resolution to be filed and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Allen County, Kansas.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED at this regular meeting on the 28th day of March, 2017.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Resolution 201703 to vacate Paul Ross's alley. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0

Bill Maness, Economic Development Director, Mary Kay Heard, Mary Ann Arnott, Sheryl Porter, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Ed Miller, Beverly Franklin, and John Masterson joined the meeting to discuss the G & W request. Bill Maness requested an executive session. Commissioners stated they would rather discuss most in regular session. Commissioner Williams stated they really appreciate all the time and efforts put into getting G & W in Allen County. David stated two years ago there was a hospital that was costing money. He reviewed all the options that have already been done to prepare the site for G & W. David explained the costs G & W are experiencing are \$500,000 over budget cost.

David and John both discussed how engineers and construction costs are hard to pin point in today's moving economy. The world we are operating in is that the government invests public monies to get businesses. Helen and Spencer Ambler, and Jim Gilpin, joined the meeting. David explained this business would provide groceries and staples, not sports. Discussion followed on City of Chanute and their new businesses and what it means to the economy.

Commissioner Williams stated the commission would have torn down the hospital anyway, but he doesn't have any problem helping, however, they have shook hands twice on deals so far. They see a situation where G & W has the county over a barrel because the community wants it.

Commissioner Talkington stated his first reaction was no way, but has been trying to figure if the county's tax monies are there for businesses? What happens if other businesses come to town and want money? Jim stated the business model stated businesses purchase low cost land and make it a gold mine. Discussion followed. Jim stated they have put \$900,000 into the apartments, but knows it will be a few years before the pay off. Visionary and long term means sales tax annually, in 10 years property tax. Jim used Russel Stover's taxes as an example. Helen stated she shops in G & W in Chanute, but has since her husband's mother lived in Chanute. She likes choice.

Bill stated he has spent the last 6 years in counties and communities that believe in themselves to invest in the communities. He expanded on his point.

Commissioner Daniels stated he has received more phone calls than any other topic he has dealt with as a commissioner, but they were all positive. All the workers Enbridge brought in were Union workers, but were told to shop at Mom and Pop shops not at Wal-Mart. The residual effects of this project are resounding. A grocery store is very important.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss Business Trade Secrets. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Bill Maness, Economic Development, Jim Gilpin, Iola Industries, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:26 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:46 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Business Trade Secrets. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Bill Maness, Economic Development, Jim Gilpin, Iola Industries, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:46 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:51 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners adjourned to the 911 Critical Communications building to meet. They will be reconvening and reviewing the communications tower.

Commissioners met with Angela Murphy, Allen County 911 Communications Director, Steve Hall, Hall's Communications, Tommy Lewis, Hayden Towers Service, Inc., and Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, to discuss the proposed new tower; location, height, materials. Tommy informed his company would do the job "turnkey" in detail. Commissioner Williams moved to approve Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, to publish an RFP of the project. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers -\$256,350.76
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries: #14-16
- d) Abatements: RE Value 905, \$193.40, Year 2016
PP Value 258, \$45.94, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until April 4, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

April 4, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, Chuck Apt, citizen, Larry Walden, citizen, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, and Ben Alexander, Thrive representative, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the March 28, 2017 meeting.

Chuck Apt reported he has had 90 Child in need of care and juvenile cases in 3 months

Chuck commented he supports a new grocery store in town, but does not agree the county commissioners should pay to have them come in. The funds should be better used towards helping the hospital. The hospital services are more important than the grocery store. He isn't concerned about him paying taxes, but rather the citizens on a fixed income in our community. He feels the monies would be better to put in reserve for the hospital.

Chuck stated the commission should set up objective standards for persons to apply and ask for money on an annual basis, not a case by case basis; or make a short term loan with conditions, along with options to forgive loans, if they do what they say they are. He commended the commissioners, but feels they done all they should do towards G&W. It's not up to the commission to carry them over the thresh hole. He continued discussion. Chuck stated the plan should have been in black and white when they said they were coming to Iola, not changing it now. It's not commission's land anymore, should be GGW INVESTMENTS, LLC's to build. GGW INVESTMENTS, LLC are looking for an excuse to not come and blame on someone else. Chuck suggested several other options. Commissioner Daniels asked if Chuck wanted the commission to give \$1 dollar to GGW INVESTMENTS, LLC. He asked about attracting persons if there is not a grocery store in Iola. Discussion followed. Chuck stated we need to maintain who we have in Allen County due to Iola having lost several businesses just in one year.

Mitch Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported some washouts within the south part of the county due to heavy rains.

Alan stated he has visited with Mitch about tearing out the parking lot at the old hospital site. Mitch stated they could if weather permits.

Commissioner Talkington has put himself in a situation that he recused himself from any of the GGW INVESTMENTS, LLC discussion.

Sherrie requested on behalf of CASA to use the courtyard to hold an event "A Walk in Their Shoes: A Walk for Child Abuse Awareness" on April 21st from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. They will be asking children to bring an old pair of shoes to exchange for a pinwheel. They will walk once around the square and then ask the children to plant the pinwheel garden. (The gardens have been done in the past.) The shoes will later be used to make a traveling art piece to illustrate the number of children suffering abuse. CASA will either have a set walk time or walk in groups to accommodate children who are not able to be there at a certain time. They are planning to

have live music, food vendors, and various kid-friendly activities such as face painting, sidewalk chalk art, etc. Commissioners approved the use of the courtyard in coordination with Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director.

Alan requested signature on Health Care Foundation Grant for Allen County Farmer's Market Growth and Strengthening Local Food System in the amount of \$25,000. Alan also needs to have Resolution 201704 approved. Commissioners reviewed:

RESOLUTION NO. 201704

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT 735-FY16-4844 BETWEEN THE HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION OF GREATER KANSAS CITY AND ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Allen, Kansas that the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Grant Award Agreement 735-FY16-4844 with the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City.

ADOPTED THIS 4th DAY OF April, 2017

Commissioner Williams moved to approve Resolution 201704. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Ben Anderson, Thrive Representative requested a support letter from the commission. City of LaHarpe is applying for a grant from Healthcare Foundation of Greater Kansas City.

April 4, 2017

Healthcare Foundation of Greater Kansas City
Two Pershing Square
2300 Main, Suite 304
Kansas City, MO 64108

To the Foundation,

This letter conveys the strong support of the Allen County Commission for the proposal to better utilize the La Harpe City Hall and hold fitness and health programming in the building.

Allen County supports the health of our neighbors, and we know that we can build stronger communities and a stronger county by opening up public buildings and creating spaces for residents to meet each other, access health services and exercise.

The County of Allen County is pleased to support the work the City of La Harpe is doing to improve the lives and health of its residents. The City's application for an applicant-defined grant will help one of Allen County's larger towns and poorest incorporated municipality move forward into the growing culture of health in the region.

Sincerely,

Jim Talkington
Chairman

Commissioner Daniels moved to support LaHarpe's request and authorize Chairman Talkington to sign the support letter. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Bob Johnson stated he is very much for a grocery store, but against giving monies to GGW INVESTMENTS, LLC.

Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, Mary Kay Heard, Ed Miller, and John McRae, Iola Industries representatives, all joined the meeting for discussion.

Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, peaked in.

Larry Manes, Economic Development Advisory Committee, presented information on 2016 Countywide Economic Development review. He reviewed in detail the lack of proper housing in and around Allen County, industrial prospects, lack of "shovel ready" sites for industrial prospects, wind farms and other topics.

David Toland, Thrive Executive Director and John Masterson, Iola Industries, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss Business Trade Secrets. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will

be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Bill Maness, Economic Development Director, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, John Masterson, Lola Industries, Sid Fleming, City of Lola Administrator, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:30 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:45 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Business Trade Secrets. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Bill Maness, Economic Development Director, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, John Masterson, Lola Industries, Sid Fleming, City of Lola Administrator, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:46 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:51 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Terry Call, Allen County EMS Billing, Sid Fleming, City of Lola Administrator, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:53 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:03 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners discussed the proposed changes to the EMS City of Lola contract.

Terry Call, Allen County EMS Billing, presented information concerning collections and billings. He reported there were 454 total ambulance responses for an average of 5.05 calls per day. Of those runs 139 were dry runs, 238 ALS Emergency, 68 BLS Emergency and 9 BLS Non-Emergency and 92 hospital to hospital transfers. He has billed \$325,810.08 and received \$127,438.52 with \$108,202.77 write off, that leaves a balance of \$90,168.79. Total receipts for 2017 for \$192,657.89. Payments received broke down were Medicare \$92,345.39, Commercial \$73,826.20, Patient \$13,484.70 and Setoff \$13,001.60.

Mary Kay stated it is very important to keep the industries we have most of all!! She explained they (Lola Industries) have reached out to each of the current industries to see what their needs might be. Commissioner Daniels expressed this is the thing to do to show support.

Alan presented information on an agreement between City of Lola, Lola Industries, Allen County and GGW Investments, LLC.;

ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AGREEMENT

This agreement is made this ___ day of April, 2017 by and between the City of Lola, Kansas (hereinafter "City") Lola Industries Inc. (hereinafter "Industries") Allen County, Kansas (hereinafter "County") and GGW Investments, LLC a Missouri Limited Liability Company (hereinafter "GGW").

Whereas, GGW operates grocery stores in Kansas and other states and wishes to build and operate a grocery store in Lola, KS

Whereas, City, Industries and County wish to provide incentives to GGW to build a new grocery store at the old Allen County Hospital site located at 101 South 1st Street, Lola, Kansas, which property has already been purchased by GGW and for which architectural plans have already been drawn;

Now therefore, all parties agree to provide the following incentives to GGW:

1. City will provide utility extensions of a value of \$37,842 as detailed in Attachment A. GGW's electrical contractor will do any and all interior electrical work and will be responsible to connect the interior electrical system to the extensions. The extensions and all exterior electrical components will remain the property of City.

2. Industries will grant to GGW the sum of \$170,000.00 in cash toward the cost of construction. The payments provided herein will be made to GGW as follows:

Payment 1: \$10,000 upon execution of this agreement by all parties;
Payment 2: \$35,000 at 50% completion of the construction project, as certified by GGW's architect;
Payment 3: \$125,000 upon completion of the construction project, as evidenced by receipt of a Certificate of Occupancy from the city of Lola.

3. County will grant to GGW the sum of \$180,000.00 in cash toward the cost of parking lot and infrastructure construction. The payments provided herein will be made to GGW as follows:

Payment 1: \$10,000 upon execution of this agreement by all parties;
Payment 2: \$35,000 at 50% completion of the construction project, as certified by GGW's architect;
Payment 3: \$135,000 upon completion of the construction project, as evidenced by receipt of a Certificate of Occupancy from the city of Lola.

Further, County, with cooperation from City, will remove the parking lots on the west and south sides of the building site within 14 days of execution of this Agreement by all parties, weather permitting.

4. GGW agrees that it will commence active construction work on the new grocery store by May 1st, 2017, as evidenced by mobilization of excavation equipment on site, movement of dirt, and installation of a construction trailer or similar accommodation at the site. GGW further agrees that it will construct its lola store in compliance with the building plans already submitted to and approved by County and City, including use of brick or similar material on all non-window or door portions of the south, west and north faces of the building, as detailed in the Contract of Sale executed between Allen County and GGW on July 24, 2015 and as shown in Attachment B. GGW further agrees to complete construction of the new grocery store by no later than December 15, 2017.

Failure by GGW to meet the deadlines outlined above may, at the sole discretion of City, Industries, and County, result in penalties of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per day levied against GGW. City, Industries and County agree to make reasonable accommodations in the event of weather delays.

GGW agrees to hire a total of at least 35 full and part-time employees at its lola store upon opening, and to maintain an average of at least 30 employees at the lola store per twelve (12) month period commencing January 1, 2018. On or before January 15 of each year G&W shall submit a report to County providing the monthly headcount of employees at its lola store and the annual average of employees at the lola store. This reporting requirement will end following submission of the January 15, 2022 report.

In the event GGW fails to meet the annual average hiring target, City, County and Industries may, at their sole discretion, levy pro-rated penalties against GGW computed as follows: The actual annual average employees for any given year will subtracted from the target of 30, multiplied by the annual value of the cash incentives provided under this Agreement over a five-year period and divided by the target of 30. (For example, if the actual average employees for a given year is 28 then 28 shall be subtracted from 30 for a result of 2. The annual value of the cash incentives for that year, one-fifth of \$350,000.00, will then be multiplied by 2 and divided by 30 to arrive at the penalty amount).

5. The parties agree that this Agreement contains all of terms and conditions of their Economic Incentive Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed will be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts will together constitute the same instrument.

This Economic Incentive Agreement is executed the day and year first above written.

To be signed by City of lola Mayor, lola Industries, Inc. President, Allen County Commission Chairman and GGW Investments, LLC President.

Alan reviewed the document by each entity as what each will be offering as well as the conditions and what GGW Investments, LLC has agreed to do. Commissioner Williams moved to accept the County's conditions. Commissioner Daniels wanted to make clear that this choice will not add taxes to peoples' taxes. This year's budget process (2018) he is considering a reduction in the tax levy if his fellow commissioners agree. He stated if the County hadn't had Enbridge go through the county this discussion would never happen, but because Enbridge did they could have this discussion. They have been accused of setting precedence, but they will be setting precedence if they don't. Commissioner Daniels seconded. Chairman Talkington stated he had recused himself. But he did call for a motion. Motion passed 2-0-1.

Bob Johnson requested Chairman Talkington tell him why he didn't vote one way or another. Bob stated since Chairman Talkington represents 1/3 of the county he should say why.

Bob stated Westar has announced they will not be purchasing any more wind power.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers –2017 - \$622,450,24
- b) Payroll Changes & Approvals

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until April 11, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on April 4, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, John Fewins, City of Elsmore, Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, Larry Walden, citizen and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, discussed the north parking lots. He got bids for cement and asphalt. Bids were received from J&J Contractors, Inc. bid was for concrete for \$70,500.00; Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc. for asphalt for \$72,325.00. Discussion followed on concrete verse asphalt and age. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve J&J Contractors, Inc. for concrete. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Ron discussed an area of green between the buildings and requested to have it concreted as well. Commissioners approved.

Cole reported the old city hall is vacant and they did a walkthrough of that building and the ambulance building. They would host, if commissioners were interested in seeing the old ambulance quarters. His thoughts were to make it into incubators where different offices share a building when they first start up and let them grow out after a few years. Discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, received bids from Welborn Sales, Inc. for the signs for the over passes at \$1,799.68; probably 6-8 weeks for delivery and KDOT will hang them for Allen County once they come in. Commissioner Daniels moved to approved Mitch to purchase the signs from Welborn Sales, Inc. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported the fuel truck at the landfill is shot. He will like to find one on Purple Wave.

Loader for the Quarry but the Quarry doesn't have enough money for one. They run \$550,000. He does have money in the landfill fund which they would use it as well. Commissioners requested Mitch to start looking and get bids.

Mitch reported they have been removing cement at the old hospital site.

Mitch reported Dust Abatement will be starting up.

John Fewins discussed chip and seal, but Mitch said there needs to be oil purchased by the City of Elsmore. John requested the county do some of the road work that needs attention. Discussion followed between him and Mitch.

Tom Nevans, Kiwanis representative, requested to use the courtyard on April 15, 2017 from 11:30 a.m. to noon for their annual Easter Egg Hunt. Commissioners approved.

Sherrie left the meeting to attend Budget Class. Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk, joined the meeting to take minutes.

Beth Toland, Allen County Community College, Early Childhood Program, talked to the commission. 17% of Allen County is living in poverty. She shared other statistical information. She passed out "Talk, Read, Play Allen County" to the Commissioners. She asked for support in 3 ways: 1. Use of courthouse lawn, 2. a personal commitment and 1. A commitment as Commissioners. She stated she will approach Humboldt as well. Financially they have 3 agencies that have contributed funds. However, more is needed as they proceed. She proposed that perhaps they could enhance the courthouse lawn in a non-permanent way: install a ground level chess and checker set. She has already talked to Ron Holman about this. They decided on a location on the lawn that would work best. Items discussed are outdoor xylophones, outdoor blocks and cart, giant connect four and story walks around the square and businesses. Commissioner Williams asked what the collaborating agencies are doing. Beth explained how the college has helped as well as other agencies. CHC is offering free dental screenings. She is proposing community play groups; 3 in Iola and 1 in Humboldt. Commissioners approved use of the courthouse lawn. The outdoor blocks cost \$6,500.00 for a set. Beth said two sets would be great, but would be happy to have one set just to get things

started. Commissioner Williams stated things like this come around and then in time, such plans get abandoned. Beth said there is a long term multi-agency commitment. Sheriff Murphy said the Greenbush birth to three is a phenomenal program. Mr. Walden asked if this is involved with Thrive. Beth responded no they are not, she represents Allen Community College. Commissioner Daniels asked for a quote with a cover letter. Beth said she will send such to Sherrie.

Kari Gull, Allen County Extension Office, asked if they could put Aging with Attitude Expo signs on the southeast and southwest corner of courthouse lawn on May 28. Commissioners told Kari to talk to Ron Holman to coordinate.

Alan Weber, County Counselor, discussed insurance. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Talkington sign the application and plan for the health insurance, Commissioner Williams seconded. Motion passed 3-0-0.

John Fewins told Commissioners that there will be a Fish Fry on April 29 sponsored by Virginia Lodge 315 of Savonburg. He has put fliers around the courthouse.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$40,064.35
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Journal Entry #17-19

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until April 18, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

April 18, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Jerry B. Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, stopped in to say "Hi" and his daughter graduated with her doctorate degree.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported all is running pretty smooth. Bob Johnson reported on a chuck hole. Discussion followed.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, joined the meeting. Commissioners discussed the proposed 2018 budget for sheriff office and jail department with him.

Larry Walden, appointee to the Area Agency on Aging, discussed the Area Agency on Aging 2018 budget request for \$10,000 which is an increase of \$8,000.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Carla Nemecek, South Wind Extension District Executive Director, Jerry Middendorf, Allen County Fair Board member, joined the meeting for bid openings for the Allen County Fairgrounds Sheep Barn roof. Bids were received from Beatty was \$37,756.85; Boren roofing for \$31,500.00; QSI for \$33,060.00; Decker Construction for \$27,998.00; Cleaver Farm and Home for \$21,900.00; Diebolt LLC for \$16,123. Alan, Carla and Jerry will review and compare bids for apples to apples. No action was taken at this time.

Beth Toland, Allen Community College Early Childhood Education Coordinator, reviewed the 3 requests involving 1. Use of courthouse lawn for checker board on the courtyard, 2. A personal commitment and 3. A commitment as Commissioners. The blocks cost \$6,375; they have raised money for freight. County could purchase and hold the blocks, or the county could donate the money to the endowment fund at the college. Commissioner Daniels moved to purchase a set of blocks for \$6,375 plus freight of approximately \$750 with the County keeping the ownership. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Beth explained other projects she is working on.

Heather discussed using the upper level of the Humboldt Senior Center and converting it into overnight residence. Discussion followed on long term planning for tax monies. Commissioner Daniels discussed making a "Helping Hand" fund for current businesses. Commissioner Williams stated he would like to check more on Chuck Apt's suggestions. Chairman Talkington stated he would like to see some of the monies to help pay bonds on the hospital. Discussion followed on several topics. Commissioner Williams stated he would like to have a committee and plan for what to do with capital outlay monies.

Alan stated they reviewed and want to check with Diebolt before signing a contract. The Fair Board would like to carryover the difference for \$30,000 and \$16,000 to use towards other buildings in future years since they will cost more.

Commissioners discussed renting the top floor of the Humboldt Senior Center they would lose their current county tax exemption. Discussion followed.

Commissioners discussed the blocks they purchased with Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds. Sheriff Murphy stated his people could open the garage for people to get the blocks out.

Sid Flemings, City of Iola Administrator, and Shilo Eggers, CTF vice president discussed the downtown summits group for Downtown Enhancement Plan. They came up with flower pots to be along Madison Street through town. They would like to have 25 30" flower pots 28 gallons of water. They are reaching out to the Master Gardeners. They would like to put in Flower towers around the square. The south side of the square will have two flower pots and flower towers on the county side. They have monies to put towards the \$5,000 towards it, and other local organizations have committed \$500 and \$1,000 toward the total and estimated cost of \$7,000 is the total cost. They would like permission to put up the flower pots and would like to ask the county to give \$2,000 towards it. They would like to have the local flower shops bid on the flowers to keep local business involved and receiving the monies. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the county giving \$2,000 toward the project. Discussion followed on timing of the project. Chairman Talkington stated he would see \$1,400 towards the project. Commissioner Daniels seconded Commissioner Williams' motion. Motion passed 2-1-0.

Ron asked if the commission has heard any more on the Veteran's Garden project.

Larry asked about the commissioner's practice to wait a week or not, what make them choose to wait a week or not.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers -\$69,880.93
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries: #20-22
- d) Abatements: RE Value 80, \$15.46, Year 2012

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until April 25, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on April 18, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Sheriff Murphy discussed replacing a hot water heater for the Jail's kitchen and laundry that has rusted out. The bid for demo of old hot water heater & properly dispose of it (cutting it up to get out), furnish and install a new State Model SDB self-cleaning, commercial gas hot water heater (Unit to include: 100 – gallon tank, 199,000 BTUH input gas heat, 80% thermal efficiency, designed for natural gas), furnish and install a new flue, and startup and confirm proper operations from Design Mechanical, Inc. The work for the project cost is not to exceed price \$11,586.00 including material and labor. Sheriff Murphy explained this has to be done quickly as it affects the jail kitchen and the state requires regulations. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the bid and to run by Alan to verify an emergency. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Talkington discussed the cement project for the parking lot. Discussion followed.

Bob Johnson stated he thinks the commissioners should put a line item for ACARF in the budget. He thinks what they do is good for the community. Commissioner Daniels stated there should be a memorandum of understanding that they would work with the county departments to dispose of animals. Commissioner Williams stated he would be more predisposed with the suggestion of MOU with the county giving monies to ACARF.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported there were a few washouts with the last rain that they are working on and more rain is predicted. Discussion followed on Delaware Road and truck traffic. Commissioners suggested Mitch visit with the trucking company and help on the road.

Chairman Talkington discussed an email from Jen Taylor working with the USD #257 budget, wanting to know what the county was going to do in regards to the county giving \$100,000 to the Bowlus for 2018. Discussion followed. Alan stated the court decision would not affect the county's short term commitment to the Bowlus. Once a decision is made, the commission would have time to discuss it. Commissioner Williams stated his decision has not changed. It is a county wide institution and always has been. It brings several things in to benefit the community. Commissioner Daniels stated we had committed three years, so he would stand by that. Discussion followed.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, stated the hot water heater issue would create a hard ship for the jail if the bidding process took a month, so it would create an emergency situation.

Alan stated CDBG grants are starting back up and the county would need a plan if they want to build an ambulance station. Bob Johnson stated Humboldt Ambulance station is a jumble.

Alan discussed the city's issue with the Sheep Barn bid concerning the engineering design. Alan reported they are still waiting on an opinion from engineers on the purlins on the Sheep Barn. The city owns the building and the county was going to fix it up. Discussion followed.

Heather asked about the Humboldt Senior Center building being used as a community center. Commissioner Daniels stated maybe the center could sell the top floor.

Commissioners reviewed the annual financial report on West Cottage Grove Cemetery.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$45,602.22
- b) Payroll Changes

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until May 2, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 2, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, Larry Walden, citizen, and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting.

Ron discussed the parking lot project. He explained he wants to change some of the parking around. Discussion followed.

Sherrie presented KDOT Agreement for Capital Assistance Funds between Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas and Southeast Kansas Coordinated Transit Council and Allen County. Discussion followed. Commissioners had previously approved the grant. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Talkington's signature on the KDOT Van Grant. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Talkington discussed whether they should agree to put off decisions and not act upon when it is first presented. Discussion followed. Commissioners Daniels and Williams stated they thought a policy isn't necessary but common sense.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported Allen County received 3 to 4 inches throughout Allen County this last weekend.

Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, joined the meeting.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, joined the meeting.

Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, stopped in to say "Hi".

Chairman Talkington opened the Communication Tower bid opening at 9:00 a.m. Only one bid was received from Hayden Towers for \$215,000. Alan requested to review and make sure the bid was what it should be. Commissioners will look at next week. Chairman Talkington requested to have a third party uninterested person to see if they felt the tower indeed needs to be replaced. He thought it would be a good idea as did the other two. They will see if a structural engineer thinks it should be replaced. Alan suggested Schwab Eaton. The bid is good for 60 days and start to completion is 4 to 6 weeks. Discussion followed.

Alan stated generally where the commission wants to go on EMS. In Humboldt they are keeping the station open but new ambulances are taller and will not work in the old stations. Same way with Moran. Alan stated he thought they should build. Chairman Talkington stated he didn't think it needs to have two bays. Commissioners visited with Cole about the City of Humboldt. Cole stated he isn't saying the ambulance has to be tied to the Fire Station because the Fire Station is a city issue and ambulance a county issue. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels said he thought the county could save money having a "cookie cutter" design for both City of Humboldt and the City of Moran. Discussion followed on need. Alan explained the City of LaHarpe had built a Fire Station from Diebolt and the cost was about \$50,000. Larry Walden

asked about the Fire Station in Moran supposing to have ambulance with it. Commissioner Williams stated he had looked at that and it was an old grant and didn't feel like there is anything to it. Larry thinks an existing building should be able to work and remodel an existing garage. Commissioners will look into different options. Alan will visit with Michael Burnett, Ambulance Director, to discuss options. Cole expressed his opinions. Cole stated if Humboldt actually pursued a new Fire Station then there might be the option to use their current station. More discussion followed on Humboldt's Industrial Park and future items. Larry asked if they need a new large ambulance, why not get a smaller one. Discussion followed.

Janice Porter, Director of ACARF, Dawn Murray, Carlyle and Julie Payne, City of Iola, joined the meeting to discuss ACARF donations from the county. Janice presented a letter of Memorandum of Understanding for review. MOU:

Letter of Memorandum of Understanding

Memorandum of Understanding between Allen County Commissioners, Allen County, Kansas and the Allen County Animal Rescue Facility (ACARF), LaHarpe, Kansas.

1) Purpose:

We have asked to be a line item in the County Budget. This memorandum is to address the responsibilities that ACARF has to meet to justify such a line item.

2) Duration of Agreement:

The agreement will commence on _____, and will continue for 1 year, upon which the County and ACARF will reevaluate goals and responsibilities.

3) Responsibilities

The Allen County Animal Rescue Facility is tasked with accepting dogs and cats picked up by the Allen County Sheriff's Department from unincorporated areas of Allen County. They will hold these animals for the State required three days in "Stray Hold", during which time their owners may claim them. After the three day period is up, they become the legal property of ACARF, and may be adopted out to the public. ACARF will be responsible for all food, housing, medical care, and veterinary bills of these animals.

Any animal brought to us as a result of a court order will be kept, at our expense, for a period of two months. After that, the current daily board fee will be charged.

Any animal brought to us injured may, at our discretion, be euthanized at our expense if deemed too severely injured for us to save without extraordinary measures.

She stated they would like to help aid the sheriff with animals outside of the cities. She stated they have not been taking to many animals (dogs) over the last few years. Commissioner Williams asked if the commission would like to make a head line by making it a line item in the budget. Discussion followed. Sheriff Murphy stated if it is made known then they will have tons of calls and they are set up to get strays and abandon dogs. They have to hold the stray dogs for three days before they become their property. Dawn explained she lives in Carlyle and there used to be tons of stray dogs. They believe it is because ACARF is there to take it to. They always try to accept stray dogs and cats. Commissioner Williams stated it is a benefit to Allen County since the population is going down on strays. Chairman Talkington stated he did not feel that the county should do a line item in the budget but should pay if an animal was taken at that time. Discussion followed. Larry suggested it be under consideration until next week. Commissioner Williams stated a \$1,000 dollar line item. Janice offered to come up with numbers if needed. Commissioner Daniels stated if they closed their doors the community would probably see more strays. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels requested to table the decision at this time. Alan can review the MOU and Janice will forward numbers to Sherrie to send out to the commission.

Bill Maness, Economic Development Director, presented documentation for consideration on a standing Economic Development for Allen County. This is due to the activity to the south of Allen County. Mary Kay Heard joined the meeting. Some of the items are lodging, hospitality and retail are the key sectors of Allen County's economy. Bill explained when B & W and Monarch Cement send their business travelers to Chanute or Iola for accommodation as there is no place

for them to stay in Humboldt. He explained this is in no way of slighting the current business owners. He recommends a 7 person committee and look at the applications for new economic development. Bill would have recommendations of a board. The county commission would still have the final say in who qualifies for the monies. Bill explained not handing monies out until it is established or such. Discussion followed on retail or other established businesses. Bill explained the purpose, supporting existing lodging, support of new lodging, support the existing and new hospitality, support existing and new retail, scope, administration, authority and timeframes, review the process, release of funds, disclaimer and claw backs the commission can include. Commissioners Daniels and Williams thought this is a good idea. Chairman Talkington state he fills like the county should help the hospital. Discussion followed. Bob Johnson stated the taxes paying towards the hospital is a sales tax which comes thought a lot of different areas not property taxes.

Bill requested \$300,000 be set aside for economic development funds on top of the current economic development for recruiting businesses. Chairman Talkington asked about where Southeast Regional Planning Commission fits into the scheme of things. Discussion followed.

Cole stated CDL Electric will be expanding into Humboldt. They will be employing 12 people and hope to expand in the future. He stated what they build as construction trade and such. They will be utilizing Neighborhood Revitalization and in a few years will be paying all their taxes into the community. Bill stated good things will happen if we are prepared to deal with them. Commissioner Daniels stated if the community doesn't grow then the hospital will not grow. Cole stated he doesn't see manufacturing in the list. He would like to see that included for consideration. Bill stated we need to prepare for the future. Commissioners will table the conversation on whether or not to set aside monies for now.

Mary Kay Heard, lola Industry Chairman, is having their annual meeting lola Industry June 13th and would like an official representation from the county commission. Discussion followed on who to have on the committee. Commissioner Williams stated he would serve if the board so desires. Mary Kay stated if the other commissioners would like to rotate at the meeting would be good. The next meeting is at June 5 at 4 o'clock at Community National. Commissioner Williams will attend that one.

Larry Walden, citizen, discussed a health fair last week that he attended. There is a lot of interaction between lots of entities. The exercise programs are over lapping, nursing homes, cities and hospital are all different but could be coordinated exercise programs. He would like to the see the commission make an organization appearance before starting something already in progress.

Larry reported there is no action of any kind of at the old hospital site by G & W. Discussion followed.

Bob stated ACARF is more than just the animals that get taken out to there but it is a service to the entire county not just cities; a worthwhile effort. Alan stated it could be considered a health issue.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$35,899.60
- b) Journal Entries - #23 & #24
- c) Abatements: RE Value 619, \$107.98, Year 2016

PP Value 868, \$121.38 Year 2016

TR Value 162, \$20.82 Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until May 9, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, Paul Zirjack, citizen and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Bob Johnson requested the commission to take out the brush at the Humboldt River Bridge and discussed G & W's starting on the store. Paul Zirjack stated he didn't think Allen County should kiss butt forever for getting G & W.

Commissioner Williams reported G & W's issue is with the weather in their area has delayed them. Kyle Dubose, Southern Builder contractor for G & W, stated the survey crew will be here tomorrow. Discussion followed on whether to charge them the \$1,000 daily delay fee. Commissioner Williams stated they have left an email to that effect. Chairman Talkington expressed his thoughts on G & W not notifying within 9 days from when they were to start. Discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported his shop foreman left and field mechanic left. He would like to hire another full time person permanently, District 5 truck driver hauling rock. That position has been vacant since before Bill King left and cut backs were done years ago. The position was on the books, but not filled due to costs. Commissioners asked if he had budget for it this year. Commissioner Williams requested justification of hours and how they will be utilized and what the position would cover. Discussion followed. Mitch will get the information and bring back to the commission next week.

Heather asked about the Humboldt River Bridge brush pile. Mitch stated he thought they were going to wait until about August when the water goes down. He said he knows it is there, but they don't have the equipment to remove it. It will have to be hired out. Discussion followed.

Commissioners discussed the proposal Bill Maness, Economic Development Director, made last week. Chairman Talkington stated Dennis Arnold, Director of SEK Regional Planning Commission, will be here at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Daniels stated it is important to be able to help new and existing business within Allen County. It is important for persons to understand it is only a process and the board is not just handing out monies. Commissioner Williams stated he would like to have a committee of business men that know the area and what business would work in Allen County. Discussion followed on suggestion of names; Joe Works, Chuck Apt, and such. Bob Johnson asked if the commission envisioned a grant, loan or matching system. Commissioners stated the board would be the one to make the recommendation to the commission of types needed. Chairman Talkington stated they already exist though SEKRPC but not as readily known. Commissioners asked about time frame and such. Chairman Talkington stated he didn't think it is the county's place to use county monies for businesses. Discussion followed on different ideas and thoughts. Commissioner Williams stated he didn't want county monies to build more government. We should be able to help families stay in the area.

Commissioner Daniels updated the Alan on G & W building. Alan is working on a demand letter to have in holding for now.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Rorik Peterson, EDP Renewables Associate Director of Development, Steve Kennard, EDP Renewables Development Project Manager, Chad Gardner, EDP Renewables Senior Property Tax Manager, and Danielle Thurber, EDP Renewables Senior Tax Analyst joined the meeting. They wanted to discuss the project in the east part of the county and taxes should they come to Allen County. Rorik stated they would probably be applying for a project sometime this year. He wanted to see what the commission's thoughts were for taxing. The project is fairly likely to happen, but will be trying to find a buyer for the electricity. Rorik explained the process and how it works.

Chairman Talkington asked about permits. Rorik stated permits have been applied for through the state and federal parts, not local levels, but expect to do so late spring or early summer. Rorik reported on the process.

Chad stated they are exempt for only 10 years as a new law in 2017. So they will be on the tax rolls in 10 years. The 7 year straight line then valued at a county level, which the state will set down guidelines for county appraisers. Danielle stated they will have it effect both the business and the county; wanting budget assurance for Allen County. Rorik stated the difference of property taxes and Payment in lieu of Taxes (PILOT). Taxes in 11 years will be drastically increased in Allen County due to the towers coming on the tax rolls. Discussion followed on

legislation and new laws. Rorik stated they would anticipate paying PILOT taxes for the first 10 years. The towers are built as a 30 year life and sold electricity for 10 to 20 contracts. They will be selling the power at a project for 30 years planned. The question to EPA was what guarantees they will stay after the 10 years, Rorik stated the costs are upfront costs, then they make monies after, so they figure it will continue. There will be workers to stay and work in the community; 12 to 20 employees and depends on the warranty of the wind farms. Danielle stated it usually takes about 9 months to put up a wind farm.

Commissioner Daniels asked about concrete and whether they use local concrete. Rorik stated they hire a general contractor and usually they would contract with local contractors for the different aspects of the project. Commissioners encouraged using local, as it would help the community accept their new neighbors.

Commissioner Williams asked about PILOT monies that other communities have used to better their communities. Commissioner Daniels stated he has heard road and fences are left in better conditions than what they were in to begin with. Rorik stated yes they have had to widen county roads and intersections. Currently 39 operating projects, one in Maine is unincorporated, but they have TIF with them which could be used to purchase snow mobiles, fire trucks, and conservation for prairie chickens or pay at the pumps locations in Cloud County. Alternately the decision on spending goes through the commission for the spending of the monies.

Stevee stated a lot of the employees they hire are from around the community or at least in the region. These employees live in the community and send their children to the local schools and purchase from local vendors.

Rorik stated ideally they would start construction in March with road construction, turban in June, working last in August, complete and in operation by the end of October. He stated they had contracts for 22 acres in Allen County which are south of US Highway #54 and east of US Highway #59 east, mostly in the Mildred area. They have been monitoring since the middle of 2015. Discussion followed on turban technology.

Paul asked how far away to hook into a power line? Rorik stated about 2 ½ miles away Kansas City Power and Light (KCPL) from the substation half way and interconnection substation close to the lines. KCPL owns the transmission line so they are only the owner only not the purchaser at this time. The wind farm would create about 200 megawatts for Allen County.

Alan discussed a PILOT agreement and asked about what that would be for Allen County. Chad discussed how it would be figured by Department of Revenue for assessment towers. Alan explained why he would like to see how that would break down. A rough estimate would be \$2,500 per megawatt around \$500,000 and in year 11 would cost \$3,100 per megawatt (Waverly - \$600,000) Allen County's would be 4 times higher than Waverly due to a new law starting in year 11. Danielle discussed the changes in utility costs since 2000 when wind energy started.

Rorik stated a question on who the PILOT would go to and the commission stated they felt it should be the commission as they are the top of the county and could dispense as they see needed to USD's and other entities.

Rorik stated there would be a form stating timing which would need to be addressed, tax year 11 sufficiently larger than Waverly because the exemption would be off so the PILOT for Allen County would be less than Waverly. He stated he would like to be able to have it so the counties could get something in the first 10 years before taxation kicks in. Rorik stated they would like to be paying \$1,000 megawatt which would be approximately \$200,000 per year for 10 years then 2.4 million in year 11. Chad stated they feel the 20% of the cost of the project to be taxed in year 11. Chad will figure a payment schedule to email for review.

Dennis Arnold, Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission (SEKRPC) Director, discussed what the SEKRPC does. He also serves as vice chairman of the Prosperity Foundation. He reported he has met with Bill Maness, Economic Development Director. He presented information on SEJRPC Revolving Loan Program creating jobs for Southeast Kansas. He explained workings of the Regional Loan Fund and anyone who needs \$100,000 and presented information on what they do. They can get a low interest fund loan with flat rate interest. Dennis stated businesses and banks are aware of the program. The applicant would go through a process applying and the process is through a committee and SEKRPC has in house bookkeeper and staff; it keeps it from coming back to the commission. Dennis explained the Prosperity Foundation grants up to \$60,000 dollars; they use the same paperwork as SEKRPC; these monies come from tax credits. It is the same loan process as well. Downtown tax credit for towns less than 5,000 for fixing up downtown buildings. Both are non-profit agencies, interests goes back into the fund to be reused, that is why it is called a revolving loan.

Dennis has a revolving loan fund though e-community which Humboldt has; network Kansas has the same type of thing. Micro loan set up by state and had to have a low income to startup businesses. Discussion followed on different types of loans and consequences.

Commissioner Daniels expressed he wasn't interested in getting into a loan program, he is more for a grant program which the commission would appoint a committee to review and recommend to the commission for an actual grant. Commissioner Williams stated he would like to see monies go toward the community to better the community; non-profits, businesses, and such.

Heather asked if they were talking about Economic Development. Commissioners stated yes, there could be a time when the monies go to the betterment of the county; example if you give to help a park; you're not going to charge a child to play at a park.

Commissioner Williams motioned to appoint an Economic Development Board of 7 persons throughout the county, with the first commitment to be within 3 months come back with a series of plans, and blue prints on how they would handle requests from businesses, nonprofit and individuals; to start the board would be Chuck Apt. He would like to see Chuck come back with names of persons representing from all over the county that he recommends to serve on the Economic Development Board. Commissioner Daniels added to have amounts and make it more of a grant than loan and to have a validated process for requests. Commissioner Williams wants to make it a county thing not a Thrive thing. Commissioner Daniels seconded, discussion followed. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams moved to help ACARF \$1,000 for this year. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a. Clerks Vouchers -\$215,694.55
- b. Payroll Changes
- c. Clerks Journal Entry #25-26
- d. Abatements: PP Value 180, \$41.80, Year 2016
PP Value 180, \$41.02, Year 2015
PP Value 199, \$47.02, Year 2014
PP Value 199, \$46.48, Year 2013
PP Value 166, \$37.28, Year 2012
PP Value 199, \$43.10, Year 2011
PP Value 221, \$47.24, Year 2010
PP Value 227, \$48.38, Year 2009
PP Value 248, \$50.04, Year 2008

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until May 16, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 16, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk. Commissioner Thomas R. Williams was absent.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on May 9, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, Chuck Apt, as a citizen, Ron Boren, Boren's Roofing, Larry Walden, citizen and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, discussed the LaHarpe Senior Center. He presented information on either fixing the current heat and air unit or to replace the current heat and air unit. The old system was purchased in the early 1980's. The old cooling system uses R22 refrigerant; this being obsoleted at this time. The bid was from Tholen's Heating and Cooling, Inc. to repair will cost \$400 to \$900. Tholen's Heating and Cooling, Inc. submitted a proposal to replace the current heat/air unit with a Trane XB80 80,000 BTU furnace, Trane XR13 condenser, Trane up flow coil 25 ft. line set for \$5,728.05. Currently the LaHarpe Senior Center is without any air conditioning which commissioners felt with activities in there it would too hot for them so with declaring it an emergency Chairman Talkington moved to approve the purchase of a new system. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Chuck Apt acting as a citizen asked the commissioners about the 6 people on the Economic Development Fund Advisory Group committee and he wanted clarification as to who chooses the persons. Chuck will be submitting 6 names for the committee later in the next couple of weeks. This group is only for assessment of aid. Bill Maness, Economic Development Director's group is the recruiting group; this group will only be for policy and procedure for application. Chuck anticipates this to be 2 stage steps – one for policy and format and 2nd experienced group who will set on the board for assessment of applications and recommend applications to the commission. Discussion followed.

Ron Boren asked about the repair of the airport hangar. Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, stated he has only received one bid out of three and he has turned them in to insurance; one bid, one says too busy, one hasn't responded. Mitch stated at this point he is waiting on the insurance's response. Discussion followed.

Ron Boren asked about mowing at the airport and Mitch stated it was too wet to mow without leaving ruts in the runway for power parasails.

Mitch presented bids for 9th Street, Bridge Street at the City of Humboldt. Bids were received from Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc. for 9th Street at \$305,198.90 and Bridge Street for \$93,850.20 for a total of \$399,049.10 this will be milled and overlay; Killough Construction, Inc. for 9th Street at \$340,933.60 and Bridge Street for \$123,651.00 for a total of \$464,584.60 this will be milled and overlay; and O'Donnell & Sons Construction Co., Inc. submitted a no bid – too far to haul their equipment. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the bid from Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Mitch presented information on the need of filling an old truck driver position that has been vacated for a few years. Commissioners tabled this decision for now.

Nathan Fawson, Southeast Kansas Mental Health Center Executive Director, Job Springer, SEKMHC Financial were there to present budget information. Nathan discussed 1996 as interim therapist and the room was a closet so he expressed his appreciation of the support of Allen County and 2000 bursting at the seams the second building across the street from the current building. He explained the \$149,115 is a \$29,000 increase more than last year's budget request of \$120,000. Their mission to provide, advocate and coordinate quality mental health care. Nathan stated most of the increase of cuts from State of Kansas over all about a 3 million dollar cut over the last few years. He explained in detail the areas that were cut and the results of those cuts. Nathan explained cuts from Medicaid and the result in causes. Some of these cuts were in higher level management jobs and not filling positions when persons leave SEKMHC. Discussion followed. Nathan encouraged the commissioners to reach out to the local state representatives expressing the effects of budget cuts to center such as SEKMHC. Nathan stated they still provide for the same people even with cuts but it is tough on the providers. He reviewed charts of their services. Chairman Talkington asked if they remain the same is it because of funding and staff. Nathan stated if a new person called to get in it would take a couple of weeks before they could get someone in to see a person. They try hard to meet the needs of the people with the resources they have in both funding and staff; some of this is due to other entities closing down that provided that service earlier. Discussion followed. Nathan explained the purchase of the building south of SEKMHC will be able to provide chemical abuse services by providing the extra space. Nathan stated they are asking more from Allen County due to the chemical abuse than they are from the other surrounding counties. Chairman Talkington stated they are in the review process now of the 2018 budget request and strongly will take under consideration in increase request.

Bill McAdam, citizen, stated the City of Moran needs \$150,000 to keep the Moran Grocery store open.

Bill discussed the proposed walking bridge over South Washington Street and need to move it over so if the State Street Bridge ever needed replace or repaired they might have to put a driving bridge over S Washington Street Bridge. Commissioners reported it is the City of Lola property and a Thrive project.

Bill expressed the need for a road to continue from 1300 Street (Marshmallow Lane)/Horville Road to US Hwy #54. Commissioners stated that was probably not going to happen.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the sheep barn project. Alan discussed bonds for the project; which was the Diebolt bid of \$18,099 which was increased due to the insulation. He would like to have half down. Alan requested the commission sign to sign so it could be completed by July 15, 2017. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Chairman Talkington asked Alan what he thought of the discussion on the wind farm. Commissioner Daniels stated it wasn't an urgent thing but does need to be taken under consideration soon. Discussion followed on the changes in taxes due to action from the legislators. Larry asked about ice factors and slinging ice on cows or vehicles. Larry asked about depreciation schedules for wind turbans. Discussion followed.

Commissioners and Alan discussed the Economic Development Fund Advisory Group.

Larry stated he has been working at the Iola Senior Center, Inc. for a purchase of an additional little storage shed. He explained they needed the extra space to solve some of the issues. They also need a cart to pull out into the other building. Discussion followed. Larry requested lumber to build shoe racks for them. Commissioner Daniels suggested to visit with Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds to work on shoe racks proposals. Sheriff Murphy suggested to look into a Conax storage unit. Discussion followed.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$18,450.32
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries: 27-28

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until May 23, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 23, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the May 16, 2017 meeting.

Paul Sorenson, citizen, discussed driving south of Iola on US Hwy #54 all the way beyond Chanute; the road is horrible. He discussed the repairs and would like to see the connections leveled. Paul would like the commission to do something if possible. He asked the commission if there is a chance in the next 5 years for that road to be fixed correctly. Commissioner Williams stated he wasn't sure that is possible. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington stated they could relay his concerns to Daren Petrowsky, Kansas Department of Transportation Regional Representative. Paul expressed his appreciation to the commission for listening.

Larry asked if the yellow line around the courthouse could be removed. No discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed his request for another truck driver. Commissioners stated they understood that the county is losing money by not having this position and approved his filling the position.

Mitch reported the KDOT signs for the overpasses are in, so KDOT will let him know when they start installation.

Mitch mentioned the Humboldt roads and stated he thinks July is what is scheduled by the contractor.

Commissioner Daniels expressed his appreciation of the Public Works crew for removal of a tree in the roadway down by where he lives after the strong winds last week.

Sherrie reported Director Burnett Burnett, Allen County EMS Director, would be coming up to ask what the commission would like to do with the ambulance that is being replaced. Director Burnett will be up later to discuss this.

Teresa Smith, Tracy Smith, James Peterson, Carole Peterson, Trisha Hester, Melvin Rife and Helen Rife, all of Mildred, and Austin Deer, of Moran joined the meeting.

Regina and Loren Lance stated they purchased Charlie Brown's Store in Mildred 3 years ago on June 1st. Regina updated the commission on struggles and successes they have had. She reported it is the oldest store (1915) in Allen County, the oldest anything other than Monarch and the Lola Register. She explained they sell meat and cheese trays besides groceries. Regina reviewed an entire power points. Commissioners asked how they can help. Regina stated they are looking for anything the commission could put towards the store. Loren stated that he and Regina are a little tapped out to put much more themselves toward it as soon as it is needed. Commissioner Daniels asked if they had discussed anything with the wind farm persons. Regina also discussed the wind mill workers by putting in an RV park. Loren discussed the clean-up at Mildred, which is an unincorporated city. Discussion followed on Charlie Brown sandwiches and the store itself. Regina explained they would be checking with all opportunities for grants. They are requesting help for purchasing a cooler for \$16,000. Commissioner Williams stated they should be checking with the Economic Development Advisory committee for support. Loren explained it is all about communities and keeping them. Commissioner Daniels stated it is very important to keep our local grocery stores. James Peterson stated they have been there every time there has been a Saturday evening event. Commissioners will take under consideration. Loren stated the memories made are the main reason for even doing the events.

Russ Gardner, citizen, purchased the Velma Walden place and wanted to know what Commissioner District he is in; #2. He asked about a development fund to help with a restaurant. He is buying the building in Gas that was Bonnie's Café. Tina's Place will be the name of it. They have had inspections done and will need to have a lot of work. Commissioners stated he would need to apply with the Economic Development Grant through the board. He explained all he needed done in detail. Commissioners stated it should be in the paper once the board is up and going.

Sid Fleming, City of Lola Administrator, Michael Burnett, Allen County EMS Director, and Tyler Wooten, Lola Fire Department officer joined the meeting.

Director Burnett asked about funding for the Rescue Vehicle. He would like to purchase rescue-type strut jacks plus a kit with additional attachments. Three bids were submitted for this equipment: Okie Extrication for Res-Q-Jack Jack Struts with kit for \$5,105.00; Danko Emergency Equipment for 911 Demo Set Amkus Jack Struts with kit for \$5,400.00; and Conrad Fire Equipment for Resc-Strut Paratech Acme Vehicle Stabilization Kit plus 2 extensions 12 inch and 24 inch for \$6,300.00. This equipment would be used for stabilizing vehicles on turnover responses. Tyler stated it adds to the safety of the officer's responding and the individual in the vehicle. Tyler explained a situation that would have been safer if they had it. Commissioner Williams explained a situation starting at the beginning to how it would help. Director Burnett explained how they work in comparison to wood blocks. The equipment would stabilize the entire vehicle not just one side like the wood blocks would. Rescue Vehicle response to all except for within the City of Humboldt. Director Burnett was asked if there is a reason and he stated there is no

explanation. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington stated he see the current ambulance contract says the city will provide equipment but he is asking if it is the county's vehicle and goes county wide. Sid stated he would reach out to the City of Humboldt and offer their assistance. He said sometimes things are always done because that the way they were. Commissioner Daniels asked if they would incorporate the training to all Fire Department's within the county. Director Burnett stated yes. Commissioner Daniels stated if they wait a week to get this equipment that the department would need it the day before it gets here. Commissioner Williams asked if it is proven or just a "toy". Director Burnett stated it is proven and he had learned about it about 5 years ago. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the purchase from Okie Extrication for \$5,105.00 since it has been looked at it and will benefit the citizens and will provide training across county to the other fire departments. Chairman Talkington stated he would like to wait a week to visit with the Fire Departments. Commissioner Daniels stated he agrees and still believes the need to order today is still here. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Director Burnett reported in January they switched to the new updated version of Image Trend reporting software. He stated the ambulance ordered in January 2017 will be delivered before the end of May. He asked if the commission wishes to trade in the old ambulance for \$500 due to high mileage of 352,000. The other options are Purple Wave or parting it out. Commissioner Daniels stated they didn't know what it is worth. Alan stated the reason why Angie got rid of the other CERT and MERK vehicles was due to too much upkeep. Director Burnett stated this would be a costly upkeep. Commissioners stated it is up to the city to make a decision to see what they can do with it, but they might reach out to the other departments within Allen County.

Director Burnett stated they have been teaching CPR classes to lola High School teachers and coaches in February 2017. They started teaching CPR to city departments and employees in April.

Director Burnett updated the commission on the 2017 Ambulance License Renewal process. All the ambulances were sent to Twin Motors Ford to have mandatory vehicle safety inspections done in March. They have been working on protocol which is about a 4 to 5 month process. Director Burnett updated the commission on personnel reporting on two students currently doing field internship in Allen County. One is currently an employee of the City of lola.

Director Burnett reported in April he was nominated and elected to the Kansas EMS Region XI Board which covers southeast Kansas; they meet at least once a quarter.

Director Burnett reported that May 21st to May 27th is EMS Week. He discussed recruitment ideas with the commission. Discussion followed on run calls for 2017. Sid asked if there is anything else the commission would like to see on the quarterly report; they can put it on there.

Larry Walden asked about the life jacks (equipment) certification.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the 911 tower and reported Schwab Eaton has no one they but Second Sites System located in Missouri. Alan reported so far all the names have been referred back to Hayden Towers. Larry said Verizon has been putting up towers and wondered who they have been using. Chairman Talkington stated David Lee has connection on towers. Alan will make contact.

Commissioner Talkington moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:15 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:25 a.m. No action was taken.

Alan discussed the modified EMS Contract. The city took it off their document and will take it back up in June. Alan explained the modifications to the commission. City of lola Council had a couple of questions they need to discuss before signing another contract. Chairman Talkington asked about keeping the service as the ALS with a certified paramedic or EMTA on every ambulance. Discussion followed. Alan discussed the cost on the draft. No action was taken at this time.

Sherrie asked permission to allow the bandstand or the clock for a wedding August 19. Commissioners approved the use for either one.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Gloria Gentry to use the Band Stand on June 24, 2017 for an area churches music/band. It would be held from 6 – 8 p.m. Commissioners approved.

Sherrie discussed the Service to the Elderly Van Grant. Commissioners authorized Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk, to sign the purchase order for Kansas Truck Equipment and Kansas Department of Transportation for a 2017 Eldorado Advantage 220 (Ford E-450 Chassis).

Sherrie asked for clarification on invoice for Enterpol, 911's new record management software. Commissioners stated they remember saying they would help out of the general fund if needed, but that the 1st fund to pay should be 911, the 2nd to pay should be Dispatch, the 3rd to pay should be split between the jail and sheriff's office, the 4th would be the General Fund. The total project will be around \$87,000.

Sherrie presented bids for Election hardware and software:

Allen County 2017 Election Equipment Request		ES&S	Election Source	Unisyn	KnowInk	Tenex			
Central Count Scanner	1	\$49,950.00	\$25,000.00	\$44,750.00					
Installation and Training	1	\$3,575.00	\$160.00						
Express Vote (replaces AutoMARKs) (\$3,325 ea.)	7	\$23,275.00							
soft case (\$175 ea.)	7	\$1,225.00							
ImageCast Touch Screen (\$2,900 ea.)	7		\$20,300.00						
case not shown in cost one way or the other									
Equipment Acceptance Testing & Delivery (\$160 ea.)			\$1,120.00						
OVI units for Early Voting and ADA	7			\$23,275.00					
case included in cost	7								
ElectionWare Software (Unity)	1	\$13,430.00							
3rd Party Config and Instalation	1	\$1,300.00							
EMS - Level 1 Programming & Reporting Software	1		\$45,000.00						
Computer Server & Periferals	1		\$2,500.00						
OpenElect Central Suite (OCS) all modules for PYO	1			\$57,500.00					
Election Services - Implementation									
Training Equipment Opertions \$1,650/ 5 days on Software		\$9,900.00							
Election Day On-Site Services		\$4,525.00							
Installation/Acceptance Testing		\$735.00	\$160.00						
KNOWINK Poll Pad (\$980 ea.) includes:	15				\$14,700.00	\$15,765.00			
Stylus, 1st yr software agree., MBM enrollment, live syncing/annual licenses						\$1,875.00			
VR Integration (\$25 ea.)	15				\$375.00				
Star Micronics Bluetooth Receipt Printer (\$350 ea.)	15				\$5,250.00	\$4,035.00			
Poll Pad Transporet Case holds 1 poll pad +1 printer (\$125 ea.)	15				\$1,875.00	\$1,000.00			
Set up and delivery (\$20 ea.)	15				\$300.00				
Training and Support for 1st election					No Charge				
		\$107,915.00	\$94,240.00	\$125,525.00	\$22,500.00	\$22,675.00			
Shipping		\$1,043.50		\$1,104.00	<included w/Unisyn				
Trade - In		-\$22,684.00	-\$500.00	\$0.00					
Total		\$86,274.50	\$93,740.00	\$126,629.00	\$22,500.00	\$22,675.00			
Total Dollar Amount if Paid in Full at Contract Execution		\$80,174.33							
Not listed is Project Management		\$1,650.00							
Unisyn and KNOWINK is part of 8 county bid so higher if not with them					Cost w/o Unisyn \$1,875.00				
Total Annual license/warranty fees		\$18,037.50	\$15,000.00	\$15,685.00	\$1,500.00				
If we provide a computer...Advantage or someone									
If we don't provide a computer ESS does all set up		\$2,634.00							

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Fund 114	\$20,000.00	Comp. Equip	
	\$1,900.00	Software	
	\$1,000.00	training	
	\$13,000.00	Equip	
	\$4,000.00	Comp Contracts	
	\$39,900.00		
Fund 159	\$5,000.00	Election	
	\$44,900.00		
Fund 001	\$60,408.33		
	\$105,308.33		

She requested the commission consider approving her to purchase the equipment and software from ES&S, Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the purchase from ES&S for \$80,174.33. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$12,497.40
- b) Payroll Changes

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until May 30, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

May 30, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, presented bids for a storage building for Iola Senior Center, Inc. on State Street. Bids were received from R&R Sales for metal 9'X20' \$1,866; Rebel Works for 10'X20' wood shed for \$3,200; and a company in Gas for 8'X24' wood shed \$3,945.00. Ron also requested to purchase \$210.00 of wood for Larry Walden to build a shoe shelf for the Iola Senior Center, Inc. to and \$80 for a pull cart for the ladies at the center to pull merchandise as opposed to carrying it. Chairman Talkington moved to approve the purchase from R&R Sales for \$1,800, \$210.00 for wood and \$80 for a pull wagon. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Talkington discussed the Enterpol and concerns of the Sheriff and Dispatch offices. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington asked to amend the minutes to state all the Enterpol would come out of Courthouse General Fund, not Sheriff, 911, Jail or Dispatch. Sheriff Murphy stated when you take out \$28,000 out of his budget it will hurt his 2017 budget. Chairman Talkington and Sheriff stated they think it should come out of Courthouse General not individual funds. Discussion followed on whether it is the portion of what was budgeted for Global should be used towards this payment. Commissioner Williams moved to take all the payments of Courthouse General Fund 070. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported they have been mowing and crushing rock.

Mitch reported the Sewer District #1 lagoons have been mowed.

Mitch updated the commission on the airport hangers damaged are still working on the insurance replacement.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, requested Mitch have persons patrol the county main roads to clean off the dead animals to keep an accident from happening and would make the county more presentable not having dead animal flesh on the county roads.

Ken McWhirter, Superintendent of Marmaton Valley, Allen County Regional Tech Center, Kim Ensminger, discussed what the tech center is doing for kids in the community. Construction class last year had 20 kids, next year welding CNA and CMA and in the future electric and other future demands. He understood the county was wanting to help schools with the county "windfall" and he thought the tech center would be perfect. He explained this teaches kids the basic needs to be able to go get a job. There are also soft skills on learning how to get to work on time, ethics part of a job. Ken stated they would like to be able to have funding to help continue the training at the tech school. Discussion continued. There was a donation of \$200,000 to help with the welding classes. Ken stated it was not able to be done through the Foundation and the three schools had to put monies in toward the grant match. Senate Bill 155 allows the grant to kid's get vocational learning. So there is still costs occurring. Kim incidental fees the kids don't pay or they wouldn't be able to attend due to costs. So the school district take up incidental costs so that their kids can attend. She explained some of the monies come from Whitehead Foundation. Crest, Marmaton, Union Town and USD #257 are the four schools currently participating. Bob Walden stated Young's Welding in Chanute would definitely be interested in helping. Discussion followed on other avenues or venues.

Commissioners reviewed the proposed 2018 Allen County budget.

Alan asked about minutes and open records. Discussion followed.

Alan reported David Lee, LaHarpe has constructor but not engineer and a company in Missouri will be giving a quote to come look at the tower.

Alan discussed the Iola Ambulance Contract ALS at all times.

Alan discussed the Economic Development Fund. Consensus of names to serve.

Chuck Apt, steering Economic Development Advisory Policy Development Committee, discussed committee members. He discussed funding for this process and when they would be available. He stated it is important to have these items to be able to have the groups up and going. The first committee will be development of policies and procedures. The second group would have quarterly meetings. Commissioner Williams moved to appoint Matt Skahan, Don Ebert, Travis Coffield, Susan Thompson, Herb Sigg, and Jerry Dreher to the Allen County Economic Development Incentive Policy and Procedures Board and Jerry Whitworth, Dave Regehr, Steve Strickler, Terry Sparks, Craig Abbott, Dick Works and Darrell Monfort, to the Allen County Economic Development Incentive Board. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed ideas with Chuck on what should be in the policy and procedures.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers -\$
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry #
- d) Abatements: PP Value , \$, Year 20

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until June 6, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

June 6, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on May 30, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Heather Bosler, Humboldt Union representative, Larry Walden, citizen, Chuck Richey, citizen, David Lee, citizen, John Fewins, Elsmore resident and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Chuck Richey, discussed the citizen bridge. He doesn't think the county should put money towards helping pay for it. The cost should have been included and someone should have known. Discussion followed. Commissioners stated they don't think they will be included in that discussion.

David Lee, citizen, appreciates the commissioners and the county service they provide. He explained he is pro-economic development. Tax dollar monies and getting into the banking service. Hoping the roads and bridges are all taken care of with extra dollars, county's precious resources are the employees. Banking institution or government. Hospital falls short of revenue projections and would like to see them helped. Iola is well covered on the committee. No one from the eastern part of the county, look at the whole county, not just Iola. Committees could reach out to the city councils. Commissioners assured David that it will be a county function. Discussion followed on what is good. Commissioner Williams discussed the new revenue streams; not for just new toys or just put it away without a thought process. Commissioner Daniels stated he looks at it as a grant function, not a bank; they have given good raises in the last few years. He stated the figures there will be a couple businesses in the eastern side of the county.

Discussion followed on other items and ideas that would go through the Economic Incentive Committee. Chairman Talkington stated he is for economic development, but he sees this committee as a bank and has expressed his opinion of the committee and what it will be doing. Commissioner Daniels stated he has been told that this community will not attract doctors or other businesses if there is not a future in Allen County. Union workers don't shop Walmart. Medical Arts building would still need a parking lot even if G&W didn't come to Iola. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels explained the complaints for not giving gravel to a non-profit organization and not helping farmers. He went on to say there is a law (statute) that prohibits counties donating gravel and the federal government gives very good subsidies to farmers to keep them going. Commissioner Williams' goal is just to leave Allen County better than when he came in. Discussion followed on what each commissioner thought would happen with the monies for the economic development.

Larry Walden has studied and the commissioners have taken themselves out of the decision making.

Commissioner Williams and Commissioner Daniels stated with who is on that board, it will be well represented.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed the loader for the landfill quarry. He has found a used one 4941 hours on this CAT loader for \$287,742.00 and would have to pay more than that if purchasing a new one. Discussion followed on warranty and machine records. Commissioners approved him to make the purchase.

John Fewins, City of Elmore, stated the monies are in the budget for one tanker to fix roads within the city. Mitch reported he would have that scheduled.

Mitch reported they are reclaiming Dakota Road from Kentucky to US Hwy 169.

Commissioner Talkington asked about the road into Mildred, unincorporated city. Discussions followed about signage and clean up around Mildred.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the information on the tower inspection by Second Site Systems for \$3,683.60; this is to have the review. Hayden Towers is very reputable, and will not climb the tower if the opinion is that the tower is fine. Allen County would have to find a new tower support. Commissioner Williams moved to hire Second Site Systems for tower inspection for \$3,683.60. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Talkington discussed having someone with the county review the building of the new G&W.

Commissioner Talkington moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Angela Murphy, 911 Communications Director, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:09 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:19 a.m. No action was taken.

County Clerk, Sherrie L. Riebel asked commissioners if they wanted to go through the budget before making a decision. Commissioner Williams stated that any significant increase should be discussed with the commission. Bob Johnson asked about the tax lid. Sherrie explained. Carry over of possibly 10% was mentioned. Economic development, should it be in two separate line items; Thrive and Incentive Program. Thrive - \$30,000 & Incentive - \$150,000. Sherrie will further discuss this with Rodney Burns, Auditor. Commissioner Talkington asked that all department heads come in to discuss their budget. 15 minutes per department head was recommended. No tax lid election on September 15th, commissioners agreed. Ambulance fund or general fund for the EMS payment? Commissioner Williams said to use the ambulance fund to keep it cleaner. Commissioner Daniels asked about another line item for ambulance facilities. Sherrie explained the general fund may be better for something like that. Commissioners agreed. The fair building fund was also mentioned.

Gary Parker, citizen, expressed his concerns on economic development instead of county needs. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels expressed those decisions don't come easy and have been discussed in detail. Chairman Talkington stated there are three different opinions and they have been discussing in detail.

Gary stated the wind farm persons have allowed him money to have an attorney look at the contracts between him and them.

Larry would like to have the paper report the commission intends to be the last resort for the funding. Bob Johnson stated they did.

Larry stated the county should go out for bid for auditors, as when they become friends they tend to overlook things.

Commissioner Daniels wanted to remember the 73rd anniversary of D Day and would like to remember all the people who were involved.

Bob Johnson reminded the commission that City of Iola residents are part of the County as well as everyone that resides in the county.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – 6/5/17- \$93,520.63 & 6/6/17-\$23,285.67
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries: 29-31

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until June 13, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

June 13, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. Commissioner Jerry Daniels conference called in.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, John Fewins, Savonburg, Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the June 6, 2017 meeting.

Bill Maness, Economic Development Director, discussed public restrooms for downtown Iola. He said it came up at a summit meeting recently. Bill explained the need for such. The proposed solution is a CDBG for construction of public restrooms. Restroom could be built in the pocket park just west of Iola City Hall. He is asking would the city and county be willing to work together on this. A 25% match is required with the grant. The intent would be to build something with a brick face so that it blends in with the downtown. Automatic locks would be something needed on the doors to secure during night time hours. Commissioner Williams asked about total cost, Bill said he doesn't know at this point, he's just trying to find out if the county has an interest. He stated the city does have an interest. Ron Holman agreed it is very much needed. Commissioner Daniels asked to see the amounts of what the 25% match would be. Discussion followed on placement. Larry asked if there were any state grants. Bill said CDBG grants might be available. Bill will put together numbers and bring back a proposal to the commission.

Ron reported J&J Construction will start on the north courthouse parking lot on Thursday, June 15, 2017.

Commissioner Talkington asked about the parking lot to the north of the Iola Senior Center on Jefferson Street; who maintains it. Ron stated the county does, Mitch puts rock on it as need as the Senior Center patrons use it for parking. It is owned by Ravin Printing. Bob Johnson asked what the difference was between that and ACARF. Discussion followed on rock on the parking lot. Chairman Talkington requested Ron to look at putting poles or something around the air conditioner at that senior center to keep someone from running in to it.

Larry Walden left the meeting.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, requested Gary Henderson to carry over 97.75 hours of vacation. Chairman Talkington moved to approve the carry over to be used within 6 months. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch asked about the used loader. He would like to purchase the CAT loader for \$287,742.00. Commissioner Williams moved to allow the purchase. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported they are trying to do dust abatement this week. Due to the forecast they might be putting it off until Friday.

Bob Johnson asked if Mitch is prepared to deal with the brush pile once the river goes down. Bob stated there are several people worried about the bridge washing out. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels requested Mitch to get with the Core of Engineers and see who the person is that says it is not a problem.

Commissioner Williams moved to not reschedule the July 4, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Colleen Riebel, Allen County Conservation District, Dale Hartman, Vice-Chair, and DeWayne Jarred, member joined the meeting to discuss the 2018 budget request. Colleen cut some more from stated funding, \$2,000 from their 2017 budget and will have \$5,000 less in 2018. DeWayne Jarred, member, explained the Upper Neosho WRAPS, which are watersheds used to build terraces, waterways and ponds to help with farming. Discussion followed. Dale Hartman, Vice-Chair, stated the WRAPS money is pretty much gone for 2018 and maybe 2019. The increase requested is due the state cutting their funding. Bob Johnson stated the money used to redo the ground in lola should be used toward the farmers since the soil is more than most of the houses.

Chairman Talkington asked Commissioner Daniels about an upcoming US 169 Coalition Meeting - Thursday, July 20, Chanute Memorial Building's Alliance Room. He asked if he was interested in representing Allen County at those meetings. Commissioner Daniels stated he would. Chairman Talkington moved to appoint Commissioner Daniels to the US 169 Collation Committee. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Commissioner Daniels was appointed. The next meeting of the US 169 corridor coalition will be at noon on Thursday, July 20, in the Alliance Room at the Chanute Memorial Building, 101 S. Lincoln.

Chairman Talkington asked about mutual agreement with the City of Humboldt on using Fire or Rescue Vehicle. Discussion followed on state requirements and previous years.

Sandra Drake, Allen County Appraiser, discussed her 2018 budget request. Her request is mostly increased due to payroll and benefits. Sandra stated her budget is usually padded a little due to whether she has to have a BOTA hearing, hiring for assessments or if equipment goes down; she never knows. Sandra stated she needs to get a new vehicle since they are spending more on upkeep than what they have budgeted. Sandra stated she has two part-time employees which are hard to figure how much they might have to work. She discussed training her employees and how expensive it is when you pay for hotels, food and training. Sandra stated she has to have Monarch reappraised this year, which she will have to contract with cement plant assessor.

Sandra discussed valuation and changes for current year.

Sherrie updated the commission on HB2102 and the changes it makes for Southeast Kansas Library Board. No action was taken at this time.

Tim Cunningham, Tri Valley Developmental Services, Inc. Executive Director, and Bill Fiscus, Tri Valley Development Services, Inc. Financial Director, discussed the 2018 budget. Tim reviewed the board, board minutes-July 1-June 30, news clippings and services provided. They are down 41 staff in the last 10 years due to cuts. Tri Valley Developmental Services has cut their budget over \$2,000,000 in the last 10 years. He would appreciate the commission considering \$67,000 for 2018 budget.

Terry Call, Allen County EMS Billing Director, discussed the 2018 proposed budget. Discussion followed on line items. Terry asked the commissioners about funding the Rescue Vehicle out of the ambulance fund for future upkeep since insurances no longer pay monies to go into that fund for upkeep.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the land to the east of Iola Senior Center, Inc. He asked if the commission wanted to continue with the purchase. Discussion followed on the costs.

Alan discussed the Tax Foreclosure Sale. He has sent out 99 summons and 80 have come back. He explained the process and where he is at in the process.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$77,120.04
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerk's Journal Entries: 32-33

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until June 20, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

June 20, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, was present to observe the meeting.

Daniel Creitz, 31st Judicial District Judge, and Dina Morrison, 31st Judicial District Chief Court Clerk, discussed the 2018 proposed budget of \$389,227.00; this includes district expenses, indigent defense and court expenses. Dina explained her increases in the budget request. One is replacing the server, they had to go to electronic filing and she explained the savings will be over the next couple of years. Dina discussed murder trials and costs. Discussion followed. Judge Creitz discussed the remodel project in court. He explained changes around the timeless piece of art and a project the Erie High School teacher made. Dina discussed remodel at the Probation office.

Judge Creitz discussed Drug Court and statistics. He reported a lot of individuals and businesses donate time and items. They are about back up to 50 plus in the system. Southeast Kansas Mental Health has a new person helping with Drug Court. Judge Creitz discussed a current court case and security. He discussed CASA; they have 1 and a half staff. The rest are volunteers for dealing with abused children.

Judge Creitz reported on the electronic filing (I-Quick) and how it is working. Discussion followed. Dina's office scans it after something is filed by paper.

Judge Creitz discussed requesting warrants and how it works. He said most search warrants are on drug searches.

Judge Creitz explained a Homeland Security Court audit that will be happening. The audit is scheduled August 9 through the 11th. The report will not be a public document. Discussion followed. Judge Creitz discussed a Chief Judge order.

Chairman Talkington discussed Drug Court and how it is funded. Currently it is funded by grants and donations. Contributions are given by counties and handled as donations. Judge Creitz explained what each are used for. Treatment is mandatory, but the state doesn't fund the

treatments, so the courts do and that is one of what the grants are used for. National training is required; National Conference for training. Judge Creitz expressed his opinion on the public's appreciation of the success of Drug Court.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, requested a trailer for the Noxious Weed Department. The bids for an aluminum utility trailer with tilt were Croft Trailer Supply for a 78"X12' for \$3,276.00 out of Kansas City, MO priced with rock guard; Trailer World for 77"X12' for \$2,960.00 out of Bowling Green, KY; and Haul Supply for a 77"X12' for \$2,795.00. Commissioner Daniels moved to purchase from Croft Trailer Supply since shipping and other expenses would make the others as expensive as the one in Kansas City. Commissioner Williams's seconded. Discussion followed. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported the Allen County Regional Airport runway slabs of cement are moved, so Allgeier, Martin & Associates, Inc. is called and is now fixing. Once they start repairs, the runway will be closed.

Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, Michael Burnett, Allen County EMS Director, Tim Thyer, City of Iola Fire Chief, joined the commissioners to review the new ambulance and the rescue vehicle. Commissioners adjourned to the street.

Commissioners reconvened in the commission room.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, discussed projects he would like to see done for 2018 or before. He would like to have a handrail on the north side of the courthouse to match the other entries. Ron would like to redo the flooring and repaint in the assembly room. There needs to be tile repaired around the elevator area; carpet in the large courtroom, replace the trash cans around the courtyard, new ceiling tiles in the hallways and LED lights in the window wells. Commissioners agreed these are things that need completed. Commissioner Daniels requested to prioritize the list and keep in mind the Homeland Security audits. Ron asked about a water feature for the court yard. Discussion followed on placement and who could do it. Ron discussed maintenance upkeep and projects; carpet, paint and tile. Commissioners discussed working on some of the projects now.

Sherrie discussed budget with the commissioners. She talked about raises and the health fund. She stated that she likes to replace a computer per year, to keep them current. The election computer has to be replaced. She will have to send her computer to Omaha to be programmed for election software. This will be done for free by the company she's working with. Rodney Burns, auditor, sent her a rough draft of the budget. Sherrie explained the form used by Rodney and how it differs from what's been used in the past. Commissioner Daniels asked about the costs of computers....would an IT manager be justified, discussion followed. Sherrie talked about the security issues with elections and such. Eventually we must get a new server. Our current one is 13 years old plus. Commissioner Williams asked about mandates on elections.

Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, Allen County Treasurer, discussed her budget for 2018 increase. She stated most of her increases are payroll. Crickett stated that compared to other counties the wages are good. She reported Motor Vehicle is not funding itself, so she had to move another employee over to the treasurer's side. Crickett explained some of the fees that can be charged as treasurer, but explained why she doesn't charge them, as they are facility fees and she chooses not to.

Crickett discussed the AT&T outage area-wide due to someone hitting an optic line. Discussion followed.

Crickett stated she would like to build a cabinet in the vault to hold some items. She has asked persons to come bid on the cabinet and no one has ever come back with one.

Steve Norman, Ravin Printing representative, discussed concerns of the old building left at the parking lot and maintenance of the parking lot. The wall belongs to Steve Norman so there is nothing the county can do to remove it. We also use the parking lot belonging to him for Senior Center parking since the parking lot for the county is behind the Senior Center. Chairman Talkington stated since there is a statute that forbids the county from going on private property that there might need to be a contract to allow the county to put gravel down. Commissioner Williams stated the commission could purchase gravel and have someone grade it. Commissioner Daniels asked if Steve would be interested in selling the lot. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams stated he didn't have a problem buying gravel for the parking lot and having someone grade it. The brick corner has been there for several years and will someday need attention. Commissioner Williams stated sometimes things that have been done in the past because it is the right thing to do. Steve requested gravel put on the lot and graded. Commissioners will take care of it.

Cara Barkdoll, Register of Deeds, discussed 2018 budget requests. She stated most of her increase is due to payroll expenses. Cara pays for several things from her technology fund. Her maintenance equipment fund increase is due to in case she needs to replace/maintenance a copy machine. Discussion followed. Commissioners approved her to increase her budget for a couple of desks. Commissioners thanked her.

Commissioner Williams stated Angie called and reported on the person reviewing the tower. Commissioner Williams visited with the person and asked to complete the inspection as contracted. Discussion followed.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, stated he thinks the meetings should be held twice a month instead of once a week. He wished even if regardless if the Union and Iola Register could have agendas a head of time so the public can attend in response to the agenda. He thinks they should have night meetings regardless of day or night; the people coming are on salary.

Bob said his 3rd reason was he understood it is the commissioners' civic responsibility to the public, so why couldn't they either forfeit their salary to county or get paid a whole lot more.

Bob also asked to have the titles and reasons on the agenda along with the persons' name so that the public can come and give input.

Bob requested every other week and/or other places and night meetings; rotated between Humboldt, Moran, and Iola.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers -\$204,708.28
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry #34-35

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until June 27, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

June 27, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on June 20, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, was present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, House and Grounds Director, stopped in to talk to the commissioners about LED lighting. He presented a bid from JASCO for a total of \$3,404.00. Take out flood lights and replace with LED flood lights, 50w LED flood lights and parts and labor. Chairman Talkington moved to approve the purchase from JASCO, Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Ron reported the parking lot work is progressing nicely. It is looking good.

Jerry Hathaway, Allen County Attorney, discussed his budget request. He stated his only increase is for professional services. He expected three first degree murder trials. Two out of three defendants want bench trials, which mean no jury. Commissioner Talkington asked about taking this increase back down. The case load and child in need of care cases has increased. Last year his office did eight termination of parental rights cases. There were over 75 child in need of care cases. So far this year there's been over 50 filed. These are labor intensive cases. The 5% was put in for wage increase, just in case. He also mentioned the increase for ads &

notices. He discussed what has to be published and not just locally. He complimented his Assistant County Attorney Jaquie Spradling.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, stated the used loader has arrived.

Mitch discussed his budget requests. He talked about what was needed at airport, such as work on the hangars and taxi ways. Most everything remained the same on the airport. Commissioner Talkington asked about reimbursed expenses. Mitch said it is hangar rent, etc.

Mitch said he put a little increase into capital outlay in noxious weed, but could probably take some off of it because he already has a trailer. There is not much change on the noxious weed fund otherwise.

Mitch explained the increase in the road and bridge fund. This has to do with equipment. Repairing the roads is also an increase, for supplies, etc. 5% increase in wages is in there just in case it's approved. Commissioner Talkington asked if they fix tires. Mitch said they repair a lot of tires. Capital outlay is for road overlay. Commissioner Daniels mentioned that in the past items were put in different funds. Mitch said he may have done some things differently on this than it had been done before. Mitch answered questions about a crusher, newer ones should last more than 20 years. Allen County saves a lot of money crushing their own rock.

Capital outlay for the quarry fund is looking toward to a crusher.

Mitch stated bigger projects they're looking at are road work. You can't just tear up a road, because often times you come across bad spots, and then they need more gravel, built up, packed down, etc. It's not as simple as just tearing it out. Bob complimented the work of Mitch's crew southeast of Humboldt.

Commissioner Williams asked how Mitch's budget is looking this year towards year-end. Mitch said he'll be looking at this a little closer in the next month. Commissioner Daniels said he's received compliments on the landfill operation. Email billing was discussed. Mitch will look into this more.

Special bridge fund was discussed. It has to do with signage, tires and salaries. Two people are paid out of the special bridge fund. They fix pot holes, put up signs, cut trees that block the roads, etc.

Solid waste fund has the Bomag, which is the compactor, expense. He also needs a fuel truck.

Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, talked about the coroner fund and jail medical. He said jail medical depends on reimbursement. He said the pharmacy is good about working with them on using generics when possible.

The law enforcement trust and VIN are funds that are up and down. Monies that can go back into community.

The Sheriff fund has increased. He has asked for another position. The call volumes are down, but the cases being worked on more time consuming. He'd like to be able to put two officers on a shift together. This would help out with officer safety. There are costs up front associated with the new position. His funds will have to absorb some of the costs on utilities and commodities for the law enforcement center are about \$50,000 per year. 5% increase is put in for possible raise in wages. To encompass a new position is about \$85,000.00, weapons, vehicle, academy, wages, etc. Commissioner Talkington asked about the increase in registrations. Bryan explained these are the trainings and such that the Sheriff Office has to take. Impounding is towing fees and publications. Sheriff Murphy assured there will be two officers working together once the new position is approved and filled. Documentation needs to be added as to why a position is needed, per Commissioner Talkington. Commissioner Williams said to just put in writing why the position is needed.

Jail fund's main increase is the court security officer. The request is to create a line item, a person, to fill this position. Therefore not taking away of a correctional officer. There would be other duties for this person when court is not in session. He increased the overtime for corrections, due to being short staffed. There is a lot of turnover in these positions. The vast majority of the commodities and utilities expenses have been put to the jail fund. The jail is at 85% occupancy. Thermal went up in price, computer software contract. Training was increased because the jail staff is being sent to a week-long class in Salina shortly after they start work here. Food for the jail was discussed. The meals on wheels reimbursement is helpful. He said the kitchen head cook does a great job for finding the best deals for purchasing the food. Commissioner Daniels asked about the court security position. It will not be funded 100% out of the jail. Bryan explained who's filling which positions. This will be put in writing as requested by the commissioners of new/vacated positions.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, shared an email from Rorik Peterson about an application.

Alan reported on analysis of the 911 tower. Alan recommends a replacement. Commissioner Talkington asked about lack of maintenance. He said the letter stated there is no immediate possibility of collapse. He said to look at the cost of rehabilitation. Commissioner Daniels said he agreed partly with Commissioner Talkington's thoughts. Alan said he could ask for some suggestions on what to do if it's not replaced right now. Angie Murphy, 911 Director, said it would be hard to find someone to do repairs. Alan said we are almost to our 60 day limit on bids. Hayden Tower Services bid is \$215,000.00 to replace the tower. Angie said she tried to get it painted in 2016 and was told they wouldn't do that and let people climb it. It was a critical climb team that climbed it recently. Commissioner Williams said we cannot afford to have 911 be down. He strongly suggests we move forward with it. Commissioner Williams moved that we go forward with the bid from Hayden Tower Services and replace the tower for \$215,000.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded. Motion passed 2-1-0. Alan will talk to Hayden.

Alan reported on a nuisance property near Iola. Sheriff Murphy served the individual. The resident requested a hearing by a handwritten note left for Alan. He will be given a hearing. Commissioners agreed on Tuesday, July 18 at 9:00 a.m. for such hearing.

Alan discussed his budget, only increase is 5% for potential wage increase. He mentioned his thoughts for the future as far as his position and maybe cutting back on hours.

Angie Murphy, Allen County 911 Director, said the only change in emergency management is 5% for wage increase. Her Emergency Management employee does dispatch work as well as Emergency Management. She received a reimbursement from the state for the Emergency Management that cannot be put in the 911 fund.

Angie discussed the 911 fund where tax money from the state goes. Next Gen takes most of this fund's money.

Angie went into more detail on the 911 dispatch fund. The personal services line increase is for another person. She talked about the increases. She also shared her inventory list with the commissioners to show what equipment may need replaced. She increased maintenance since she will pay for such out of her budget. She is asking for a 7.3% increase. She's hoping another staff member will cut down on the overtime expense. Her staff does quality assurance as well. Commissioner Talkington asked Angie to put in writing her reasons for another employee. Commissioner Daniels asked if the Emergency Manager would still dispatch if another employee is added. Angie said he'd still be half and half, he would do quality assurance rather than dispatch.

Commissioner Talkington moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Angie Murphy, 911 Director, Alan Weber, County Counselor, and Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk. The time is now 10:30 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for another 5 minutes, Commissioner Talkington seconded. Motion passed 2-1-0, the time is now 10:40 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:45 a.m. No action was taken.

Larry Walden, citizen, joined the meeting to discuss the letter the commission received from the Kansas Department of Aging for budget request. Upon discussion the commissioners agreed to maintain the current level of spending at \$2000.00.

Larry wants the commission to consider creating another department having to do with health. He explained.

Larry stated he has been working with Tony at Allen County Regional Hospital. He presented a printout from google having to do with the hospital. He pointed out mistakes. Commissioner Talkington asked if he'd talked to the hospital board, he stated he will tonight. He presented a plan for a mobile unit. He said doctors have been recruited that they no longer have space for. He said the hospital will come up with facts and figures to present to the commissioner at a later date. Larry said the mobile unit will come with equipment. It's a temporary clinic.

Commissioner Williams said department heads are talking about building towards the future. At year end it just rolls over, a special line item was mentioned. Alan said it's a question for the auditor.

Bob Johnson reported he had talked to Cole Herder, Humboldt City Administrator, about evening meetings in Humboldt. Cole said they'd have a place available for a meeting of an evening.

Commissioners approved the Allen County Services to the Elderly Van Policies and Procedures.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$166,200.48
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries: #36
- d) Abatement: PP Value 148, \$22.56, Year 2016

There will not be a Commissioner Meeting on Tuesday, July 4, 2017 due to the holiday. With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until July 11, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

July 11, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. Commissioner Jerry Daniels conference called in.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Kenneth Lott, Humboldt Citizen, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the June 27, 2017 meeting.

Kenneth Lott, Humboldt Citizen, expressed his concerns of structural well-being of the Humboldt River Bridge and desired clean out of the log jam on the west side. He said Mr. Rinehart will not allow anyone on the property and some of the trees are from his property. The property on the east side has lost some trees and the property owners will allow the county on their property to clean out that side of the log jams. He said it is a high concern to get it done now before the bridge is structurally damaged. Discussion followed.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, joined the meeting.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, stated he has a couple of people looking to see if the Neosho River is down low enough to get under Humboldt River Bridge there without hurting someone. Commissioner Daniels asked Mitch if he has gotten a hold of the Core of Engineers. Mitch stated he would try again. Chairman Talkington asked Mr. Lott about his background on construction and engineering. Mr. Lott stated he had pictures and state bridge ratings he was reporting on. Chairman Talkington stated the county is well aware of the economic importance of the Humboldt River Bridge and will be working to clear up the log jam as they can. Mitch stated it depends on how large equipment is to remove the debris, if they can stay on the county right of way.

Ron reported on the courthouses north parking lot. They will finish Monday or Tuesday, and it will still be a few days before the parking lot is open to park on again.

Ron said the LED Lights are half done around the courthouse and look really nice. They make a big difference.

Ron presented a bid from Rebel Works for railing on the north side of the courthouse. Bob asked if he got a bid from Northcutt in LaHarpe. Discussion followed. Commissioners requested Ron to get another bid.

Mitch reported his crews are out mowing. Some of the crew has been crushing rock; then a belt broke, so it's being repaired. His crews are also out filling up pot holes. They are doing a chip and seal project around Elsmore.

Mitch stated they are close to working on the ditch around Dillow's yard. Since it is drying up, they will be able to get in there.

Mitch will be working on the overpass south of Iola to Humboldt in the near future to fix the road. They currently have hot patched it.

Commissioners discussed the importance of being in contact with the Core of Engineers when they start working on Humboldt Bridge so they don't open the gates at the dams releasing water into the river. Mitch said the Core of Engineers said it is not their problem. He will call them again.

Commissioner Daniels reported he is planning on attending the meeting on the 169 Corridor on July 20, 2017.

Carla Nemecek, Southwind Extension District Executive Director, presented Fiscal Conditions and Trends for Allen County for 2017. This report is a service provided by Southwind Extension District Kansas State Research and Extension. They accumulate information from the different departments at the State of Kansas. These reports are turned into the state by each county annually.

Carla reported the roof was finally torn off of the sheep barn last evening. She stated they were doing a good job of clean up as well.

Carla presented a 2017 Building for the Future 2017 Annual Report from Kansas State University for review. She also presented Southwind Extension District Making a Difference report; a report she does on a quarterly basis. Discussion followed. Commissioners expressed their appreciation to Carla for everything she does for the county.

Sandra Drake, Appraiser, discussed her reappointment. She stated she is to be reappointed by Resolution 201705. Commissioners reviewed Resolution 201705 and Employment Contract.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201705

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A COUNTY APPRAISER

WHEREAS; pursuant to K.S.A. 19-430 the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County are required to appoint a county appraiser, and;

WHEREAS; said county appraiser shall hereby be reappointed to serve a term of four (4) years and until a successor is appointed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

Section 1. That Sandra K. Drake be and she is hereby appointed to the position of County Appraiser for Allen County, Kansas.

Section 2. That the term of her appointment shall begin on July 1, 2017. The salary and other benefits shall be reviewed annually by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication one time in the legal newspaper of the county.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS THIS 11th DAY OF JULY 2017.

And

EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS AND SANDRA K. DRAKE wish to enter into an employment contract for the purpose of re-appointing Mrs. Drake as County Appraiser for Allen County, Kansas.

The terms of such employment contract are as follows:

Sandra K. Drake's term of employment and re-appointment shall be effective July 1, 2017, and shall serve as such county appraiser for Allen County, Kansas for a term of four (4) years and until her successor is appointed. Any renewal of the contract shall be governed by the provisions of K.S.A. 19-430, et. Seq.

The salary to be paid shall be \$70,408.00 per year, which may be reviewed annually by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners.

All benefits shall be available during the term of employment. Mileage and travel expenses shall be reimbursed upon proof of payment of same.

The conditions of the employment are governed by K.S.A. 19-425, et. Seq.

The State of Kansas, Department of Revenue, Director of Property Valuation, shall receive notice of this Resolution and Employment Contract.

Dated this 11th day of June 2017.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve Resolution 201705 and to reappoint Sandra Drake as Allen County Appraiser for a term of four years. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the EMS Contract between the City of Iola and Allen County. He discussed the contents of the contract. Commissioner Williams moved to accept the EMS Contract between the City of Iola and Allen County. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Chairman Talkington signed the agreement.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES Joint Agreement

This agreement, made and entered into this 11th day of July, 2017 by and between Allen County, Kansas, by and through its governing body, the Board of Allen County Commissioners hereinafter referred to as "County" and the City of Iola, Kansas, by and through its governing body, the City Council of Iola, Kansas, hereinafter referred to as "City".

WITNESSETH:

Whereas, Ambulance services are now being provided to Allen County under and by virtue of that certain Emergency Medical Services Joint Agreement between Allen County and the City of Iola dated October 14, 2014; and

Whereas, the parties to said Agreement desire to enter into a new Emergency Medical Services Joint Agreement with modified terms and conditions.

Now Therefore, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises herein contained IT IS AGREED between the parties as follows:

(1) By mutual agreement of the parties hereto, the provisions of the Emergency Medical Services Joint Agreement dated October 14, 2014 are deemed terminated effective **midnight on January 1, 2017**. Thereafter the terms and conditions of this **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES Joint Agreement** shall govern the conduct of the parties. Pursuant to the prior Agreements dated October 1, 2013 and October 14, 2014, County has transferred to City the possession of but not the title to all county EMS service vehicles, equipment and buildings which were listed in Exhibit "A" to the prior Agreement.

(2) It is understood, that on and after **January 1, 2017** all ambulance services for Allen County shall continue to be delivered under the ambulance license of County and all EMS vehicles shall be labeled "**Allen County Emergency Medical Services**". All personnel shall be placed under the management of and become employees of City and City shall be fully responsible for all costs of operation including but not limited to wages, supplies, training, fees, licenses, insurance along with maintenance and upkeep of all fire and EMS service vehicles, equipment and buildings. City shall have sole responsibility for replacement or upgrade of any fire vehicles and equipment. County shall replace one EMS vehicle with another EMS vehicle of County's choosing every other year beginning in the year 2017 (which has been ordered as of the signing of this agreement) to be delivered before the end of the year. Said vehicles shall be used by City but shall remain the property of County.

(3) All charges for ambulance runs made by the EMS service will be processed by County. County shall pay to City the amount of \$1,007,000.00 per year for the year 2017 to be paid first from the receipts for ambulance runs. If receipts from ambulance runs are less than \$1,007,000.00 then County shall pay the difference between the amounts actually received from run receipts and the amount of \$1,007,000.00 from County funds. Any receipts in excess of \$1,007,000.00 per year shall remain the property of County. Such excess receipts shall be held by County in a fund designated EMS Capital Outlay Fund and proceeds of said fund shall be used only for the salaries and office expenses of the Billing Agent and for the purchase of Ambulances unless other expenditures are authorized by the mutually agreement of the parties hereto.

(4) The ambulance service coverage area for City shall be the entire area of Allen County, Kansas.

(5) City shall be solely responsible for the ambulance runs they handle. This responsibility shall include but not be limited to:

- (a) completing any necessary documentation required by law or provider protocols;
- (b) investigating any complaints arising out of the transport or other service rendered;
- (c) promptly (and according to law, within 24 hours of a run) provide all ambulance run information to County necessary for billing and quality of care review.

(6) Billing for any and all EMS services rendered by City shall be handled by County with all receipts being paid to County by the various providers. City may, at its own expense, provide additional part-time help to provide backup for and to assist county in billing. Such person shall perform his/her duties under the guidance and direction of county's billing person. In managing its records and in order to expedite the review and processing of ambulance runs for billing, City shall use **Image Trend Software** which is currently used by County and is available for free from the State of Kansas.

(7) City shall also be responsible to operate the rescue vehicle and the HAZMAT vehicle.

(8) The parties agree that the goal of the countywide ambulance service is to provide ALS level ground ambulance service to all of Allen County. City shall, at all times, have adequate personnel to provide ALS level ground service staffing at all locations on a 24/7 basis. The director of Fire operations shall be appointed by City. The director of EMS operations shall be appointed by City with the approval of County. The director of EMS shall provide periodic reports showing ambulance run data to County. Further, county may make requests for additional information directed through the Iola City Administrator.

(9) Unless City can show good cause or undue hardship, City shall maintain ALS level ground ambulance service throughout the county with at least one ALS ground service ambulance stationed in Iola, Humboldt and Moran 24 hours per day, 7 days per week during the term of this agreement. City shall be responsible to make proper arrangements in both Humboldt and Moran for the stationing of ambulances in both locations. City will develop and follow a plan acceptable to County which provides for rotation of personnel through all EMS stations to assure full utilization of each employee. For good cause, ambulances may be repositioned from one city to another when the ambulance of one city is out on a call or transfer. The parties agree that their intent is to provide full service to all of the communities in the county without preference toward any one service. City agrees to comply with all applicable Federal, State and County laws pertaining to contracts entered into by governmental agencies, including non-discrimination in employment.

(10) The operations of the EMS portion of the merged Fire/EMS service shall be administered by City under the ambulance license of County. Funding for operations shall be as follows:

- (a) Except for the replacement of EMS vehicles by County as provided above, City shall budget for and pay any and all costs of the joint operation including both capital and non-capital expenses.
- (b) All billing for services rendered by the joint operation shall be handled by County.
- (c) County shall pay to City the sum of \$1,007,000.00 per year as provided above beginning in the year 2017. In making the annual payment to City, County shall pay to City the run revenues received by County as they are received and within 30 days of receipt. In the event that run revenues are less than \$1,007,000.00 in any year, the deficiency shall be paid by County to City on or before February 15th of the following year.
- (d) All remaining receipts above the sum of \$1,007,000.00 shall be retained by County and used as set out in paragraph 3 above.
- (e) County and City anticipate that run revenues will continue to fall short of the minimum guaranteed amount provided above. As such, the parties agree to augment payment made to City during any contract year by paying City all run revenue as it is received by County along with an additional payment of \$70,000.00 per quarter on or before April 15th, July 15th, and October 15th of the contract year. The final payment due to city shall be determined at year end and paid to City on or before February 15th of the following year.
- (f) The \$1,007,000.00 payment provided herein shall be adjusted for inflation only as follows:

Beginning in 2018, the payment provided herein shall be increased by the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of

Labor Statistics as determined for the 12-month period running from July to July (beginning with the period from July 2016 to July 2017) as listed in the DOL tables as applicable to communities defined as Midwest Urban, size D (less than 50,000 population). Using the inflation factor for the period from July to July is necessary for the purpose of preparing the following year's budget. Any payment increase which results from the use of the CPI-U will take effect on January 1 of the following year.

Should the initial amount of \$1,000,007.00 be increased based on the above paragraph, then in future years the increase would be based on the amount paid in the prior year.

(11) The City does hereby agree to indemnify County for any and all liability, loss or damages including attorney fees which County may suffer as a result of claims, demands, costs or judgments against it arising out of the acts or omissions of City, its employees, officers, elected officials or any other persons acting on behalf of City under the terms of this Agreement. County agrees to indemnify City for any and all liability, loss or damages including attorney fees which City may suffer as a result of claims, demands, cost or judgments against it arising out of the act or omissions of County, its employees, officers, elected officials or any other persons acting on behalf of County that may have occurred prior to the date of this Agreement. City agrees to indemnify County for any and all liability, loss or damages including attorney fees which County may suffer as a result of claims, demands, cost or judgments against it arising out of the act or omissions of City, its employees, officers, elected officials or any other persons acting on behalf of City that may have occurred prior to the date of this Agreement.

(12) The parties agree that they will cooperate to prepare a plan for a quality of care review process satisfactory to both. Such plan shall include the right of the City and County to appoint one representative each to the review board. It is understood that the employee of County who is placed in charge of billing (the Billing Agent) shall be a part of the review process and shall report to the EMS director any runs which appear to exhibit quality of care issues. If in the opinion of said Billing Agent, such issues are not properly resolved, such issues shall be reported directly to the governing bodies of City and County and shall be presented in executive session to protect confidential patient data. All operational protocols and any amendments thereto must be approved by both City and County. The schedule of fees to be charged for ambulance runs shall be set by County.

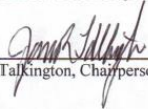
(13) Except in the event of Default as hereinafter set out, this agreement will remain in effect until December 31, 2020 and will remain in effect from year to year thereafter unless sooner terminated by either party giving six (6) months written notice to the other party of its intent to terminate. In the event of termination, all county ambulances, equipment, buildings and any replacements thereof shall be returned to County and both parties shall be entitled to operate separate EMS services within their respective municipal jurisdictions. In the event that this agreement is terminated by City, as provided herein, or by reason of the default of City as

provided below, during its initial 5-year term, then County shall have the option to become the sole ambulance service provider for Allen County upon the effective date of such termination and for another 5-year term.

(14) In the event that either party shall neglect or fail to perform or observe any of the covenants or agreements contained in this agreement, then in that event, said party shall be deemed in default hereunder. The non-defaulting party may issue a written Notice of Default to the defaulting party, and said defaulting party shall have the right to fully cure any such default within 30 days from the date and time that said Notice was served upon such party. If the defaulting party fails to cure within 30 days after service of the Notice then the non-defaulting party shall have the option and right to terminate this lease. Provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to prejudice the parties in any other right or remedy which they may have at law or in equity for the enforcement of the legal obligations of the parties under this agreement.



In witness whereof, the parties have executed this agreement the day and year first above written.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS



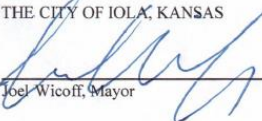
Jim Talkington, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Sherrie Riebel, County Clerk

THE CITY OF IOLA, KANSAS



Joel Wicoff, Mayor

ATTEST:

Roxanne Hutton, City Clerk

Chairman Talkington stated at his last Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission (SEKRPC) they discussed dissolving Southeast Kansas Solid Waste Operating Authority due to lack of participation and activities. Alan explained Allen County will need to keep their current committee updated. He would like to see the committee be a representative of Iola, Humboldt and Moran along with County representatives.

Chairman Talkington asked if the other two commissioners were okay with the dissolution of the Southeast Kansas Solid Waste Operating Authority commission. They stated they were. Chairman Talkington will notify SEKRPC.

Alan discussed LaHarpe Fire Department requested to get the old ambulance the City of Iola was disposing of. Marc Waggoner, LaHarpe Fire Chief wants to have a recovery vehicle for refreshments when the fireman goes out to a fire. Discussion followed. Commissioners approved.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:12 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:17 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:18 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:22 a.m. No action was taken.

Jack Franklin, citizen, joined the meeting.

Alan discussed an "Opinion to Purchase Curry Property" east of the Iola Senior Center on State Street. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the purchase of the property for \$1,000. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie discussed Computer Information Concepts (CIC) contract for July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018. The contract is \$33,935.00. 2016's contract was \$40,883.00. Discussion followed on what all the contract covered. Sherrie reported Alan has reviewed the contract. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the contract with CIC, Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie informed the commission she had received a Mail Ballot and Certification for the election of Kansas representative to the Governing Board of the National Association of Counties for the term of September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019. The nominee is Richard Malm, Jefferson County Commissioner. Commission Daniels moved to vote for Richard Malm. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie presented the State Operating Assistance of Section 5310 agreement between the State of Kansas and Allen County. This agreement is for funding for the Services to the Elderly van. Allen County will receive \$5,000.00. Commissioners reviewed. Commissioner Williams moved to approve Chairman Talkington sign the agreement. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie presented three different items from Advantage Computers. The first item is for a Small Business Pool 8 server plus backup agreement, Windows and SQL Server software for \$14,500.00. Discussion followed on other places to get bids for a county server. The second item is for Anti-Virus TrendMicro WFStd GOVT Renewal and labor for \$1,332.50. The third item is a quote for 6 AMD A10-785K 3.7Ghz Quad Core – 8GB DDR3-500GB HDD-DVD+-RW-W10Pro (Computers), 3 years pars warranty for \$735.00 each total of \$5,740.00. Bids were also presented for the same from Best Buy for \$1,129.99 (Dell) each and a bid for \$1,049.99 (HP-OMEN) each. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the purchase of all three items from Advantage Computers, Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register discussed building a new ambulance station around the City of Humboldt and suggested the commission purchase Scoville property and a field (David) by the sports complex. He stated it is not in the heart of town, but good to go any direction. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels stated he would like the City of Humboldt's input. Chairman Talkington stated he thought the City of Iola has the input due to the contract with Allen County. Larry Walden asked if there is a committee working on this project? Commissioners stated no, it is really about the City of Iola and the Cities of Humboldt and Moran.

Jack Franklin asked about the Radio Tower at the 911 building on State Street. He thought the price was absorbent; it is much more than what the original price was in 1962. Discussion followed. Alan explained a new base will need to be poured for the tower so that the old tower can remain working while the new one is constructed.

Jack expressed his concerns about the county giving money away when there is plenty of county infrastructure that needs attention, i.e. roads.

Chairman Talkington stated Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, has a list of roads that will be taken care of in the future, whether now or in five years. Discussion followed. Jack discussed the Geneva Bridge over Martin Creek.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$130,171.57
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerk's Journal Entries: 37-40
- d) Abatements: PP, Value 887, \$157.90, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until July 18, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

July 18, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. Commissioner Thomas R. Williams was absent.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on July 11, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Joe Hess, President of Iola Senior Center, Inc., updated the commission on activities at the Senior Center. Joe stated he wanted to give the commission a first-hand report on recent activities at the Senior Citizens Center. He reported after his visit to the commission in January, Larry Walden came by the center to offer his help to improve things. Joe stated the first thing he learned was that Larry had arranged for the county to purchase a metal storage shed for \$2,000. Joe went on to explain that when they make changes at the center, they discuss and vote on them first, but the shed was just suddenly there. He stated it is nice and they had decided it will be very useful. In the next 2-3 weeks Larry completed 15 more projects in the center. Joe stated he discovered most of them when he saw them. They voted on the 15 at the next board meeting, rejecting 4 and accepting the rest.

Joe stated Larry has a genuine desire to help charitable organizations, but in the senior center's case he does what he thinks is needed and then they find out about it later. Joe mentioned they are a low key organization – not a lot of rules and each day workers take care of things on their day, but Larry's pace was a little hard for Joe to keep up with. Joe went on to say Larry seems to have an obsessive compulsive need to reorganize organizations the way he thinks they should be ran. Joe has had many conversations with Larry and felt they had developed a great friendship, even when they disagreed on what he wanted to do. Joe presented a card Larry had given to him and his wife that really touched him and his wife; he said he liked Larry even though he told Larry he thought he was rather pushy. Larry told him "I've been that way ever since I was a little kid".

Joe began asking Larry to slow things down and talk with him before he started something, but his pace has picked up, working evenings as late as 11:00 p.m. Joe reported he went up Saturday evening at 8:30 to lock their drop box and found Larry rearranging things in the center. Joe said they sat down to discuss what was going on and Larry told Joe he had just purchased 4 women's mannequins to better display women's clothing, the latest in about 8 dozen projects that Joe knows about. Joe stated it is hard to keep up with all the changes. Joe said Larry then told him he was going to remove the 2 large tables that the center use to carry out most of their business on to make more room in the center. Joe said no you're not and Larry said they are going. Joe stated after having Larry tell him in no uncertain terms that the tables were going, Joe got up and left.

Joe explained he didn't sleep much Saturday evening after coming to the realization that someone he thought was a best friend was going to tell him what he could and could not do. Joe stated he depends on the Lord to guide him and this is what he put together to give Larry when he saw him at the center at noon on Sunday. Joe informed him in writing that Larry is not to be on the property at any time except 10:00 Wednesday when Joe is usually there. Joe stated he is leaving the door open for him to continue doing projects, but it will be after the board has discussed and agreed upon what is to be done, then he will give Larry a written authorization to proceed.

Joe stated he still believes Larry has valuable contributions to make, but they must be accompanied with doing them at their direction and they would discuss on Wednesdays.

Joe would still like to have projects done, but Larry has to have written permission. Discussion followed on whether Larry using a key lock set to gain access is illegal or not. Commissioner Daniels stated he wasn't sure if the commission could accept Larry on the property since there was an incident that happened where the police were called. Joe stated Larry says he is right and that's that, but he is not allowed at the Iola Senior Center, Inc. without written permission.

Sherrie reported on a call from Cindy Lane, Area Agency on Aging concerning the same incident. Commissioners asked that she state her concerns in a letter or email addressed to them.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported the Bettis Construction will start August 7, 2017 tearing up 9th Street and Bridge Street, in Humboldt. Cole stated he will need to work with businesses such as Monarch Cement and other heavy truck use. Commissioner Daniels asked if any businesses will have a Grand Opening during that time. Cole stated he will let the owners know.

Mitch stated if the core doesn't own the bridge, they don't do anything about it. Mitch stated some engineers say the debris around the bridge base doesn't hurt it and some say it does. Discussion followed. Cole expressed his concerns about a cottonwood tree blocking the other trees and causing flooding. Mitch said they will be corresponding when the core opens the gates at John Redmond. Discussion followed on companies interested in brush removal. No action was taken at this time. Cole stated there is a pipe line at the Neosho River bank that will need to be watched! Mitch stated they would be careful. Cole stated he could work with the landowner that is against the county working on his property to get to the brush pile and thought he could get permission to get on his land to do the work.

Chairman Talkington asked where the county is at on Geneva Bridge along the way to Neosho Falls. Mitch will check on it.

Chairman Talkington asked about the ditch along Dillow's property. Mitch stated due to the rain last week, Dillow did not want someone working the ditch.

Commissioner Daniels asked about concrete work at the Allen County Regional Airport. Mitch reported some of the concrete had shifted. They will be fixing it.

Cole asked if the striping is on the street construction project. Mitch said the stripe down the middle is, but not the parking spots. Discussion followed.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor discussed a Nuisance Hearing on Kenneth Wright, a resident at 505 Park, lola which is in the county. Alan reported Mr. Wright was served the 13th of June with the Notice of Nuisance Violation. He stated Mr. Wright requested a hearing after receiving the issued violation. Alan presented several concerns along with pictures. Mr. Wright stated most of the trash washed down from the flood. He strongly stated he pays taxes on that land and can park his vehicles where ever he wants. Mr. Wright stated he wants to know "whose opinion that they are in-operable trailers". A heated discussion followed. Sheriff Murphy requested Mr. Wright realize Alan is only doing his job. Commissioner Daniels granted 60 days to Kenneth Wright for clean-up which will be September 18, 2017. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Alan reported the Sheep Barn is complete and looks very nice. Some of the wood end parts were not replaced and there is an issue on payment to the workers. Alan discussed they are waiting on lien releases. He reported the Fair Board will be reviewing the Sheep Barn. Commissioners discussed future projects.

Chairman Talkington asked about the mammograms at the Allen County Regional Hospital. Discussion followed. The hospital will not be able to do mammograms until possibly September 2017. Alan stated it is totally independent of the county, so concerns should be addressed with the Allen County Regional Hospital Administrator.

Alan reported the hospital has been cash flowing this year but with cuts on Medicaid and Medicare it always hurts. Chairman Talkington asked about the City of lola renewing their sales tax for the hospital. Bob Johnson asked if the county is ultimately responsible for the hospital bonds. Alan stated yes they are. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels asked about budgeting for hospital. Currently there are 1.8 million of annual payments made. Discussion followed. HCA contract is up next year.

Commissioner Daniels asked Alan about EDP (Wind Farm) in the Moran area. Alan stated they have purchased land and will be applying for building permit and wind farm permit one of these days, but there are a few items to get in order first.

Sherrie swore Jerry Daniels in to serve on the Kansas State 911 Coordinating Council.



Sherrie asked if the commission wanted to move the Law Enforcement out of the General Fund into its own fund for 2018 budget year. Commissioner Daniels stated he wasn't concerned about issues. Discussion followed.

Sherrie discussed longevity with Commissioners. Discussion continued on vacation leave and personal time. No action was taken.

Cole reported on some projects the City of Humboldt has going on.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$266,247.79
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries: # 41

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until July 25, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

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Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

July 25, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, and Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, was present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, reported the north parking lot project is completed. He reported they will be painting parking lot on August 5 and requested what color the commission wants to paint the lines in the parking lot; white or yellow. Commissioners decided on white lines.

Ron discussed putting trees at the 911 Critical Response Center in the fall. He stated one of the employees that take care of the flowers at the center requested trees. He would also like to put a couple more around the courthouse. Commissioners approved both sites.

Ron presented a bid for more lighting around the Allen County Courthouse. The bid was from JASCO for 11 100w LED Flood Lights 5000K color at \$329.98 each for a total of \$3,629.78 and labor, installation and materials for \$1,225.00 for an overall bid of \$4,854.78. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the bid from JASCO. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed the 42nd Annual Kansas Association of Counties Conference in Overland Park/Johnson County on November 14, 15 and 16. Chairman Talkington moved to appoint Commissioner Jerry Daniels as voting delegate and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk as 1st alternate voting delegate. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, discussed a project in the City of Humboldt. The project is Humboldt Affordable Housing, Inc. They purchase houses and remodel them to sell and raise money. He presented an Open House flyer for the second house which was just completed. The first one took a year and a half and the second house only 6 months. They had received a grant to start the projects. Discussion followed on a few details.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, discussed a wreck that had happened on an overpass over US Hwy #169. Discussion followed. Sheriff Murphy stated a person called him about lowering the speed limit over this bridge. No action was taken at this time.

Mitch reported some of the mowers are broke down, but most of the ditches have been mowed.

Commissioner Daniels reported Delaware Road west of the overpass needs attention. Mitch stated they will be putting cold patch on it for now.

Mitch discussed the Neosho River Bridge brush pile; several persons are on vacation that he needs to visit with.

Mitch commented that August 7 is still the day Bettis Company will start the road repair in the City of Humboldt. Cole stated they have notified several businesses in the area that there will be road delays once they start.

Commissioners asked Alan how the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) is doing. Alan reported they have a couple more meetings before they will report to the commission.

Rodney Burns, Burns, Inc. discussed 2018 proposed budget. Commissioner Williams asked if a department could somehow save monies for a project without rolling over the monies. Rodney stated a special fund can be set up for that purpose by resolution. A discussion followed on what is allowable by statute. Commissioners discussed future payments to outside entities. Commissioners requested Rodney to drop the capital improvement line item budget to see where that would lower the levy.

Ron Boren, Elvin Nelson, and Larry Walden, citizens joined the meeting.

Commissioners discussed departments carrying over budget. They asked if the resolutions should be done now or later. Rodney stated it could be later in the year. Bob Johnson asked about budget.

Ron Boren discussed the Allen County Regional Airport. He and Elvin Nelson expressed their concerns about the hangar looking like a "dump". Mr. Boren discussed using "Red Iron" for building materials. A discussion followed on the bid process. Commissioners stated if they have only had one bid, then one bid will be what they look at; they can't keep waiting for other bids. Commissioner Daniels discussed whether this is the time to correct the hangar or what do you do; i.e. rebuild it different so the winds do not catch it every time a storm comes. Mr. Boren stated it is time to build more hangars at the airport. Commissioners stated they will visit with

Mitch about it next week. Mr. Boren stated it would not be hard to get them rented; there are people from Kansas City that would be interested. Commissioners acknowledged this project needs to be completed.

Bill Maness, Economic Development Director, Bill Michaud, Sleep Inn & Suites President (Fort Scott), Sandy Zornes, City of Iola Council, discussed the need and placement of a proposed hotel. Mr. Michaud stated Bill McAdam is the current land owner of where he would like to build. There would be tax improvement financing for 22 years which the tax would help pay for the project if the city approves; it is called a Community Improvement District (CID). Mr. Michaud presented a copy of the cost analysis and discussed it with the commission. He stated he looks at it as a partnership with the City of Iola and Allen County. The purchase price for the land is \$335,000 with 1/3 from each of the two entities and 1/3 from Sleep Inn & Suites. The city wants the county to facilitate 2/3 of the cost and 1/3 from Sleep Inn & Suites. If the county did the 2/3 then the county would receive 2/3 of the CID funds. Discussion followed on the city's benefits and the county's benefits. The question was asked of Mr. Michaud why the concern if the whole project cost is 4.5 million dollar, then why would the \$335,000 be a problem to come up with. Bill Maness stated it is an issue of a friendly interest in business from the community. Alan stated the EDAC is still a month out for the process of applying for funds/grant/loans. Mr. Michaud stated once the pieces are put together he will be able to give a breakdown date, however, once that is done it takes 9 to 10 months for building time. Discussion on the tax would be paying back Allen County within 2 to 3 years from the CID funds. Commissioner Williams asked if it is fair to the other hotels in the area. He travels a lot, if two hotels are right next to each other he would pick the hotel that fits his life style if another one is beside it.

Paul Zirjacks, citizen, joined the meeting.

Mr. Maness asked if the commission would go ahead and make a contingent decision today so that the process can go forward and be done before windfarm construction begins. Commissioner Daniels stated he did not want to make any decision today; he would like to have the city discuss it and see what happens.

Chairman Talkington asked why the CID monies (2% taxes) would need to be done. Mr. Michaud said the county would stop getting monies after the 2/3 is paid back, but the CID would continue for 22 years. Mr. Maness stated he had been offered free land elsewhere in Humboldt.

Commissioner Daniels discussed he knew of some aviation travelers that look at other hotels to stay in other than the ones in Iola. He stated he is all for it, but would like to have another week.

Chairman Talkington stated he is all for it, but is it the best thing for the county to be doing.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into agreement with Iola Sleep Inn & Suites for 2/3 and CID. Paul asked about how much the county says the land is worth? The answer was \$100,000 or less but that is not what the sale price is. Motion died for lack of second. Commissioner Daniels stated he wants to wait until the city has more discussion. Mr. Maness stated he feels someone in the community needs to take a leadership action and not keep waiting on each other to act first.

Sterling Barker, citizen, and Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, Allen County Treasurer, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels asked Commissioner Williams to amend the Motion to add to continue to discussion. Commissioner Williams stated yes he realizes it would not benefit some businesses in the community, but would benefit several others businesses and Allen County.

Bob Johnson asked if that it opens the door for anyone to come into the commission for monies even since the commission had said they would make everyone go through the EDAC. Commissioner Williams stated the EDAC does not have the process done at this time. Paul asked why the decision needs to be hurried up. The reply was so the business was done and the hotel can be started in a timely matter. A question surfaced as to "Why can't you wait 30 days to make a decision?" Mr. Michaud stated it takes 6 months for ground breaking and for concrete work. The county's portion would be \$200,023 dollars.

Chairman Talkington asked if the option of 50/50 is viable. Discussion followed. The CID is a must to benefit the county and business. Commissioners stated they do want to because Mr. Michaud stated a city that is unwilling to invest in its community is not a growing city.

There are several different ways to draw up a CID; Mr. Michaud would like to have a full 22 years up with 2% added sales tax, drawn up the remaining funds revert back to the developer until the investment is met. Or the county pays 2/3 and the developer doesn't get any monies until the

county is 100% paid back then the developer would get the sales tax addition up to the 22 years. Discussion followed on the different options.

Chairman Talkington moved to accept the 50/50 land purchase and 50/50 CID monies offer. Commissioner Williams seconded, Discussion followed. Mr. Michaud stated the IRB and CID would be the City's portion of the project. Commissioner Williams moved to table the motion, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion did not pass 0-3-0. So now the original motion is back on the table. Chairman Talkington called for a vote. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams thanked Mr. Michaud for being willing to invest in Allen County.

Sterling Barker, citizen, discussed the wind farm with the commissioners. They referred him to his attorney.

Mr. Barker stated he didn't like the county paying for a fence around the Bowlus, or giving the Bowlus \$100,000. He reported bought a pink elephant in Moran.

Rodney returned with the adjusted 2018 proposed budget. Discussion followed on tax lid the state enacted. Rodney will be back on August 8, 2017 to finalize for hearing.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, asked about the CID taxes and the City of Iola's participation.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege on Wind Farms. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 11:00 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 11:05 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 3 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege on Policy. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 11:05 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 11:08 a.m. No action was taken. Commissioners discussed different leave verses PTO.

Commissioners discussed the hospital's finances for 2018. Alan will visit with Tony Thompson for the commission.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a. Clerks Vouchers -\$180,182.45
- b. Payroll Changes
- c. Clerks Journal Entry #42-43
- d. Abatements: Oil, Value 2792, \$398.58, Year 2014
Oil, Value 2751, \$351.76, Year 2015
Oil, Value 1531, \$212.90, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until August 1, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 1, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Scott Sarchet, Humboldt Union, and Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the July 25, 2017 meeting.

Commissioners discussed an email received from Rodney Burns, auditor, for Allen County 2018 Budget- Analysis of Tax Dollars Levied. He discussed recent history for comparison and 2018 options.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, requested a signature on a Kansas Local Bridge Improvement Program Bridge Reconstruction/Rehabilitation Supplemental Agreement#1 for reimbursement from KDOT on the bridge 0.8 miles North and 1.0 miles West of Petrolia on 600 Street. Commissioner Daniels moved to authorize commissioner sign. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. All commissioners signed.

Mitch discussed Geneva Bridge project. He reported it was a very costly bridge and KDOT didn't have monies for us so it was taken off the list for now.

Commissioner Williams asked about the Allen County Regional Airport hangar repair or replacement. Mitch replied we are waiting on bids back to see how much more monies are needed to fix the hanger the way we want it to be so that the wind will not keep tearing it up. Discussion followed.

Mitch would also like to start planning for another new hanger at the airport. Discussion followed on carrying enough monies over to start building. Commissioners discussed building future hangers. Mitch discussed purchasing a hanger this year to install at a later date. It is a factory building that was built by the company and the purchaser never showed up to pick it up. Commissioners approved him to proceed.

Mitch reported large jets flew in to the Allen County Regional Airport this weekend for refueling.

Commissioner Daniels discussed Delaware Road dirt work. Mitch has people working on reclaiming it for now. Cole stated KDOT was going to be working on the same road so Mitch will check on.

Mitch reported Kansas Wildlife and Parks is getting involved in the tree jam at Neosho River Bridge in Humboldt.

Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator, Michael Burnett, Allen County EMS Director, Timothy Thyer, City of Iola Fire Chief, and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, joined the meeting. Michael updated the commission on the EMS; he stated they have had 1,140 calls this year as of last evening. Sid said higher than last year. Michael reported on trainings. They are still looking for paramedics; a couple are classes. They have about 6 trained for EMTI but still need more EMS employees. Commissioner Daniels asked for statistics for when the Humboldt Ambulance is out of the City of Humboldt. A factual sheet. Chairman Talkington asked for the same for the Moran Ambulance. A discussion following on that is should be for all ambulances so it is easier to answer questions from the public.

Commissioner Daniels asked if anything from the commission. Michael stated they would like to have the ambulance stations in the City of Humboldt and the City of Moran. Commissioners would like to have a little more than pictures. Discussion followed on types of buildings; comfortable, modern buildings. Cole stated for the City of Humboldt it will have to be engineer coded. Commissioner Williams asked if it was in the county they wouldn't have to worry about the City of Humboldt approving it. He asked for Michael to come up with the engineer drawings and quotes; he would like to start building in the spring. A discussion followed on ambulances and sizes. Commissioners stated they are scheduled to budget \$300,000 in 2018 budget earmarked for ambulance stations. Fire Chief Thyer stated they have a lot of people walk in and neither of the Humboldt nor Moran Stations are marked. Commissioner Daniels stated it is easier to hire people when they like going to work.

Commissioners discussed Rodney's analysis again. Commissioner Williams stated he has reviewed it and feels that 66.000 mills would be a safe and still be able to function. He mentioned lowering the budget again next year if needed. The tax lid is a hindrance when lowering the budget and creating a new base limit which they cannot exceed 1.40% Consumer

Price Index without a Special Tax Election. Commissioner Daniels stated he would still like it to be lower than that. Rodney is coming next week to visit again with the commission.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$79,893.91
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Abatements: RE, Value 11,918, \$1960.20, Year 2016
Oil, Value 2792, \$398.58, Year 2014
Oil, Value 2751, \$351.76, Year 2015
Oil, Value 1531, \$212.90, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until August 8, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 8, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on August 1, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, Virginia and Mark Peters, citizens and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, were present to observe the meeting.

Richard Weilert & Kenneth Lott, Allen County Citizens were present to discuss concerns about the Humboldt Bridge.

Commissioner Daniels offered condolences to Catherine Feese's family. She was a wonderful Sheriff's office employee and will be missed.

Richard Weilert, landowner, discussed the Humboldt Bridge. He stated years ago he was allowed to ruffraff the river bank to save it. Mr. Weilert explained the bridge would have been hit by a fallen cottonwood had it fell south instead of east, it would have fallen on the bridge. It didn't hit the bridge, but has caused a log jam. Mr. Weilert stated the city has been out sawing off branches after he visited with them. He explained how it was taken care of earlier was not successful and wants to know what the county's future plans are to fix this. Mr. Weilert stated there should be right of way, so who cares if it makes a land owner mad. He stated he paid for copies of the bridge file so he has all the vital information on the bridge. He discussed the load limit being raised on an 85 year old bridge a few years ago and wanted to know why something like that would even happen considering the age and condition of the bridge. Mr. Weilert discussed the history of the rest of the bridge file. He reported it is one of only a few single Marsh Arch Bridges and is historical. Why out of 85 years in May of 2014 was the limit raised? He stated it doesn't make any sense to him or any engineer. He then discussed load limits and exceeding limits. He wants to know if anything is being done.

Kenneth Lott read a letter he constructed concerning the bridge, river pile up and other roads. He complained that the roads between Iola and Humboldt were not being mowed by the county, but landowners. He thinks the Public Works Director needs to remember he is employed by the county.

Mr. Weilert discussed more concerns with bridge limit weights, road limits, culvert limits and wants them returned to what they were years ago. If the bridge goes out, then Humboldt is dead.

Commissioners stated they have been getting bids and feel they have been dealing with it. They requested Mitch to find out a date for the next bridge inspection.

Joe Weiner joined the meeting. He explained he had contacted the US Corp of Engineers out of Tulsa and they referred him to Kansas City who has the authority and they said the El Dorado is responsible. He explained the work could be done with a crane or put rock in the river. The core would require a permit if rock is put in it. The only delay is the Kansas Wildlife and Parks permitting, which takes 30 days. They have to watch for spawning times for certain fish. He discussed who's responsibility it is for the bridge. KDHE and FEMA and NRCS have stated the bridge is the county's but the water is KDHE and NRCS. Joe explained that if the state declared a disaster and then the responsibility is theirs. Commissioners asked Joe about a cost estimate? He can't really give a cost due to lack of knowing which one of his proposals happens.

Russ Gardner joined the meeting.

Cole presented pictures he took of Humboldt River Bridge last week for review. He reported as he sees it there are two problems; one is the new cottonwood that fell last fall and the other is the pile that has been there for several years. Discussion followed on what he thinks needs to be done. Joe stated KWLP will allow a boat in the water if someone wants to cut limbs off the tree. Commissioners asked Joe for a proposal to cut the limbs. The park is owned by the City of Humboldt and would like permission from the city to get a landing area to work from. Cole reported Mr. Rinehart has approved to have the county or contractor to get in to get to the pile up. Commissioners wanted on record the brush had been done before when Bill King was Public Works Director. Mitch stated he was an employee at that time. Joe estimated a cost of \$1,000 if the county or city will help with equipment and time. Joe stated he would be the one in the boat cutting. Commissioners approved Joe Weiner to start with working on the bank pile up.

Mr. Weilert stated the paperwork is also about completed on putting it on the National Registry.

Mitch reported the mowers are out, but the rain has delayed some of the work.

Cole stated Bettis Company will start work Thursday on the Humboldt streets.

Mitch stated the insurance still wants two bids on the repair for the airport hangar and they haven't gotten them. Commissioners approved Mitch will go ahead on the repairs and the insurance will pay what they pay. Mitch will fix the correct way to keep the overhead doors from caving in every time the wind blows hard. Mitch reported on the structural; the steel is fine for the most part, there are a couple of steel parts that need replaced to complete the new door.

Rodney Burns, Rodney Burns LLC., discussed the 2018 budget. Commissioner Williams moved to make the levy around 64.000 mills. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams moved to have the hearing on August 29, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Tony Thompson, Allen County Regional Hospital Executive Director, Loren Korte, Allen County Regional Hospital Trustee, and Larry Peterson, Allen County Regional Hospital Financial Director, were present to present updates. Loren stated that Harry Lee and Debbie Rowe's terms are up this year in December. Commissioners will be taking names under consideration for replacing these two as they have met their term limit.

Larry presented the 2015-2016 Audit, Independent Auditor's report and Quarterly Income and Expense reports for hospital only. He reviewed some of the high lights of where the hospital stands. Larry asked if they want to review costs backwards on why the shortage from what was estimated or forward on projections of income. Commissioner Williams asked about maybe having fresh eyes to make these projections since the other company (BKD) was so far off. Discussion followed on that topic.

Tony discussed changes in strategic planning due to health care and demographics. They used to do strategic planning for 10 years, then it went to 5 years, then to a rolling 3 years. Commissioner Williams stated he felt new eyes would be able to look forward without preconceived ideas. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington asked how the hospital makes sure things are working the way they should. Tony stated much of it is done through committees and such.

Chairman Talkington asked about a recent mammogram issue on not being able to do any longer due to lower standards. Tony stated there was letters in June and July that went out to patients. Loren stated the patients were notified immediately and mistakes happen. Commissioner Williams explained his concern that Allen County citizens were taken care of properly.

Chairman Talkington asked if they thought the finances would be taken care of the hospital's expenditures or if they foresee the county having to help. Larry explained currently they are cash flowing, but not making enough to do it without sales tax. They are looking to have the sales tax renewed when time comes. Discussion followed on space issue needs and growth for the hospital.

Tony discussed model units that could be used for an option. He discussed Dr. Schwab's needs for room and equipment. Tony stated they need to focus on surgical growth.

Tony explained how Medicare works; it takes a while to get the reports as they are based on the past.

Loren discussed the cost to have clinics go into the Cities of Moran and Humboldt and the benefits to Allen County citizens.

Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff requested to carry over vacation hours for Roy Smith of 52 hours and Patrick Cash for 110 hours. He stated they both have these hours scheduled on the books. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the carry over for 6 months on both employees. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sheriff Murphy reported on the Investigation on EMS is complete. He explained their base line to go against what was collected. There was no contamination from punch holes and nothing incriminating. EMS changed protocols and lock box procedures. Discussion followed.

Phil Dreasher, Stephen Euston, Bukaty Companies representatives, discussed 2015 – 2017 cost summary and reviewed and discussed projections for 2018 in detail.

Commissioner Williams asked about a Health Savings Plan and/or Health Reimbursement Plan and asked Phil to look into setting up one. Consumer driven health care was discussed. Phil stated consumer driven health care maybe look at Tell-a-doc Program for an option. Discussion followed on how well it works.

Russ Gardner, citizen, discussed opening a restaurant in Gas. They are two weeks away from opening. He wanted to know where the community economic development committee was at. He stated they are about out of money, but that is their problem; sewer problems, parking lots, old trees. He stated he was going to have to dig it up. Russ asked if the county could chip and seal the parking lot. No action was taken. He stated Dollar General will be coming in across the street and will probably have an asphalt parking lot. Alan explained it is Economic Development and growth. Russ stated they will be hiring for long term positions. Commissioners stated they could not help on parking lots due to a state statute in place that forbids the commission from doing such, but when the application process is set up, he will be able to apply. Russ stated he doesn't want money, just help on the parking lot. The commissioners stated once again they cannot help that way.

Mitch reported that February 2018 will be when the Humboldt Bridge is scheduled for review.

Alan discussed adding 10" for \$6,000 for the proposed replacement of the 911 tower. Discussion followed. It is estimated to be \$221,000 for the entire project. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the 10" addition on the 911 Communications Tower. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan discussed contracts with Heartland. Commissioners approved Alan to proceed with the draft contract.

Alan discussed the Tax Foreclosure Sale.

Chairman Talkington asked about Alan serving as Allen County Regional Hospital Trustees Board attorney representation. Alan stated he would excuse himself if it should ever have a conflict come up. Discussion followed. Alan stated he serves as Counsel for the Allen County Foundation and serves on Thrive's board, but not as counsel. He is mostly there as KOMA and KORA information.

Commissioners discussed support for the Southeast Kansas Area Transit District #10. Chairman Talkington moved to approve signing a support letter. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – 8/4/17-\$238,130.34 & 8/8/17-\$18,642.94
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries: #44-46
- d) Abatements: RE, Value 2340, \$543.26, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until August 15, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 15, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. Commissioner Thomas R Williams was absent.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Debbie Bearden, Farm City Days Committee, discussed the Farm/City Days Committee. She reported they are now a 501C3 exemption. Discussion followed. Debbie reported the committee is looking to have an Art Demonstrations at Farm/City Days.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc. are currently working on the streets in the City of Humboldt. Mitch requested to have work done on Delaware Road (Tank Farm) while Bettis are in the area. It would be for milling up to 2" and overlay of 4" for \$46,900 or 6" overlay, milling 2" or more off for \$66,000 Mitch stated if Bettis has to come back later it will cost more due to the equipment in the area or not in the area. Mitch stated he feels it is an emergency need and even if he has to work it something needs done. Commissioner Daniels stated he is receiving calls that there are vehicles that are being damaged. Mitch stated the school bus drivers have been calling as well. Commissioner Daniels moved to repair Delaware Road west of the overpass. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Commissioners requested Mitch to ask Monarch and KDOT to see if they will help with the cost. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported KDOT will be installing the signs for the overpasses sometime in September or sooner.

Chairman Talkington discussed putting up fencing panels over US Hwy 169 like what is in Woodson County over the railroad track. Sheriff Murphy stated there are 9 overpasses in Allen County. These would be to keep people from throwing things off of the overpasses. There were three incidents this last weekend involving semis.

Mitch stated they are working getting everything ready to start work on the hangars at the Allen County Regional Airport.

Mitch reported on the Humboldt Bridge Project. Alan discussed contracts and agreements for the work on the brush pile at the bottom of the bridge. Discussion followed on what is currently happening for preparation work.

Craig and Cindy Jaro joined the meeting to express concerns for an episode that happened over the weekend. Mr. Jaro was concerned about the Facebook posting from the Sheriff's office involving his three children. It was posted over the scanners and Facebook. Sheriff Murphy stated he has already had a conversation with the Jaro's.

Debbie Bearden, Carol Sager and Jared Larkey, Farm City Days Committee, was present to request monies for Farm/City Days. Commissioners asked if there is a project. Debbie stated

they are requesting support so they can ramp up publications and advertisements. Debbie explained they are trying to reach out of Allen County into other areas in and out of state. Carol stated last year they spent \$5,000 on advertisements. Commissioner Daniels moved to donate \$1,250.00. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Terry Call, Allen County EMS Billing Director, discussed RAM Software Systems, Inc. AIM Software service agreement. He reported the software company has gone to an on-line version. Terry would like to change over as the company will no longer support his \$1,500 a year current for software. The new version of software will be \$300 per month for on-line services. RAM will credit the current payment towards the new agreement, which would be \$3,600 per year. Terry explained what all the new on-line will do to help with more access. Chairman Talkington moved to approve the new Contract with RAM Software Contract for \$300 per month. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 2-0-0.

Terry questioned the commissioners about a note in a previous meeting with Chief Thyer and EMS Director Burnett on what statistics they were wanting. Commissioners explained they wanted to know what percent of the time the ambulances were out of the cities of Humboldt and Moran. Discussion followed.

Terry discussed the pay scales report prepared by Austin Peters Group a couple of years ago. He discussed a title change and two years' experience, however, he has more than two years experience as he has always done billing as long as he has worked here. Commissioners will take under consideration.

Alan discussed Kansas Wildlife and Parks Department (KDWP) report on the butterfly mussel and a couple of other species that would be under or around the Humboldt River Bridge. He reported that KDWP passed the permit to work under and around the bridge to clean up the brush pile.

Alan discussed Solid Waste Operating Authority and how Allen County will and/or should be doing on their own since Allen County voted to leave the regional committee. Discussion followed.

Alan informed the commission on the windfarms intentions for Allen County in the future. He had attended the public meeting in Moran. Alan reported EDP will be applying for zoning soon. Discussion followed.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers -\$150,084.93
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry #47

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until August 22, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

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Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 22, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bill Maness, Thrive Economic Development Director, Chuck Apt, III, Economic Development Advisory Board Chair, Don Erbert, Economic Development Advisory Board Member, and Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the August 15, 2017 meeting.

Chuck reported the Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB) has set up processes for applying for grants, money or loans. They have recognized three existing groups; existing businesses, new businesses and not for profit. There will be three different applications and ranking criteria for scoring. This way each application can be looked at for their particular need. Chuck discussed examples. He is hoping to transition to the next group of the advisory committee. The next meeting is August 24, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in the conference room. Commissioners all plan to attend.

Commissioner Williams asked about views of the current EDAB and their ideas. Chuck explained most of the board's opinion of the EDAB. Each had opinions, but there was good debate, sharing of thoughts and great ideas. Discussion followed. Chuck said the committee came together really good to develop the criteria. He said they used a lot of forms from the City of Lawrence and developed them to meet Allen County's needs that would satisfy the business side of the group. Chuck stated the next group will review the applications and make the recommendations to the commission.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register representative, asked who makes the decision on whether the applicants are granted a grant, loan or etc. Chuck stated it is not the EDAB's to make the decision, just to make the recommendation to the Allen County Commission. He stated the application will set out some special criteria qualifying applicants. Chuck said some of the questions will be deep financial questions and it might discourage some of the applicants, might not.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director and Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, joined the meeting.

Don Erbert, EDAB Member, stated he thought G& W was a fiasco, but he applauds the commission for setting up a system where commissions can objectively look at requests. He thinks economic development is a good idea, but not sure handing out money is going to help! So many new businesses do not succeed. He truly believes if the commission uses the system the committee has set up, that it will help. Discussion followed. Don stated his biggest issue is the financial portion of it. He doesn't think Allen County should be handing out money.

Chuck stated some individuals didn't think that the EDAB was a good representation of the entire county, but each current member looked to benefit the entire county. Don stated if it makes sense the whole county will benefit.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported Delaware Road was reopened this morning. Bettis Company has finished it.

Mitch reported progress on the Allen County Regional Airport hangars.

Mitch reported Humboldt Bridge is still having cleanup. Joe Wiener won't be working on the bridge as it is raining quite a bit north of Humboldt. He doesn't want to chance the water rising while he is working. Mitch stated they are helping Joe with trucks and hauling off of debris.

Commissioners asked Mitch about air traffic over the courthouse last Friday. Mitch reported there have been planes in the area taking pictures of farms and homes and planes spraying crops.

Mitch reported on Humboldt streets that Bettis finished; they did a great job. Cole expressed the City of Humboldt's appreciation of new streets. Everyone has been very complementary of the two new streets.

Commissioners asked if there is a 5 or 10 year plan for the Allen County Regional Airport. Mitch stated yes, he will get with the commission for review next week.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, requested to put a sidewalk to the new building at the Iola Senior Center, Inc. Commissioners approved Ron to get bids.

Ron requested to put in a rose bush in memory of Cathie Feese and would like to add some landscaping. Commissioners approved.

Ron asked to be allowed to finish replacing the railing on the north side of the courthouse. He has contacted Doug's Welding at LaHarpe and General Repair twice and neither have responded. Ron still has the bid from Rebel Works Mfg for handicap handrail for the north side of the courthouse to be built and installed for \$3,800.00. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the previous bid from Rebel Works with the stipulation the work is completed within 60 days. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan discussed Kenneth Wright's property. He received a call from Bob Madena, State of Kansas Bureau of Waste Management, reporting the state will come up with \$10,000, if the county would match it. Mr. Madena will be here September 13 to visit with Alan.

Alan presented a Resolution 201706 explaining Allen County's withdraw from Southeast Kansas Solid Waste Authority and Unanimous Consent Resolution. Discussion followed.

**RESOLUTION NO.201706
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS**

*A RESOLUTION TERMINATING ALLEN COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN
THE SOUTHEAST KANSAS SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY*

WHEREAS, Allen County currently participates in the Southeast Kansas Solid Waste Authority (SEK SWA) along with other counties; and

WHEREAS, Allen County and the other participating counties desire to dissolve the SEK SWA and maintain their solid waste programs individually on a county by county basis;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners as follows:

That Allen County does hereby terminate its participation in the SEK SWA and consents to its full dissolution. It is further resolved that the Unanimous Consent Resolution attached shall be signed by the Chairman and submitted to KDHE.

RESOLVED THIS 21st DAY OF August, 2017.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the signing of Resolution 201706. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege concerning wind farms. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:13 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:23 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Talkington said he has visited with Susan Thompson about servicing on the Allen County Regional Hospital Trustee's board as the commission is looking for two individuals to replace Harry Lee and Debbie Roe who has termed out on the board. Susan declined, but suggested other individuals. Discussion followed.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a. Clerk's Vouchers – 8/18/17-\$190,867.35 & 8/22/17-\$40,461.52
- b. Payroll Changes
- c. Clerks Journal Entry - #48
- d. Abatements: RE, Value 2255, \$401.44, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until August 29, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

August 29, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on August 22, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, Mark Peters, citizen and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, were present to observe the meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, presented bids for concrete work at the Iola Senior Center Inc., 223 North State Street in Iola. Bids were received from Lickteig Const. Inc. for \$2,183.00 and J&J Contractors, Inc. for \$3,746.00. These bids were for tearing out 63 sq. ft. of current cement and pouring 336 sq. ft. of walkway. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams moved to approve Lickteig Construction Inc. bid of \$2,183.00. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Cole discussed the work at the Neosho River Bridge in Humboldt. Bob Johnson asked if a couple of small charges could be set to break trees loose for each other. Discussion followed.

Chairman Talkington asked Sheriff Murphy about camera bids he had submitted a few months ago. Discussion followed.

Cole continued to discuss the brush pile at the Neosho River Bridge.

Cole asked about the Economic Development Groups. He is interested in some of the procedures. Commissioner Daniels stated the second group will have the option to see if the current applications are suitable. Cole explained the City of Humboldt uses tax credit monies than tax payer money. Commissioner Daniels stated it is a process and the County is not "giving" away monies.

Bob asked if this would have any effect on what the county provides to Thrive Economic Development. Commissioners explained they feel they have different participation. Commissioner Daniels stated Thrive Economic Development process should be attracting businesses and this committee would accept applications. Bob stated there are "X" amounts of entities that should be applying for these finances; re: Tri Valley and such. Commissioners stated yes persons such as Bowlus will be reapplying in two years. Discussion followed.

Discussion followed to G&W and the building.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported the Neosho River Bridge work is going slow. He stated the people need to be kept back so as not to get hit with flying debris if something breaks. Discussion followed. Sheriff Murphy told Mitch to call him for crowd control. Mitch said Joe Weiner will not be back down working on it again until tomorrow. Discussion followed on what still needs to be done. Commissioner Williams stated he want Mitch to be responsible for anything done down at the Neosho

Mitch explained that Delaware Road is done but cost the county another \$10,533.90 because they had to go wider and deeper than what was originally estimated.

Mitch reported the City of Humboldt is done but there is one spot that Bettis Company will have to come back and repair since one of their trucks turned around. Cole discussed striping. Mitch stated the crusher is down again but parts are due in today. A new crusher is on Mitch's wish list.

Chairman Talkington opened the public hearing for 2018 Allen County Budget Hearing. Bob asked if the reason was the tax lid if there are reserves why the county commission wouldn't lower the budget even lower. Commissioners stated they think the auditor presented different options but they have to feel comfortable with what they set the county at. Bob stated the legislation set legislation that actually doesn't help the tax payer.

Cole support budget proposed as it will allow the crusher because they usually get rock from Allen County. Cole stated it is hard to tell what 3% increases and benefits would be.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve the 2018 budget. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Rodney Burns, Rodney M. Burns, CPA, LLC, Allen County's auditor is finishing up the 2016 audit. He stated the Land Fill Closure ratio has not been met so Alan will need to write another letter this year. Rodney reported they found no violations or any cash basis violations.

Rodney reminded the commission that since payroll is changing from bi-monthly to bi-weekly they will still be charging a portion of the 2017 wages back to 2017 once payroll is complete in the New Year.

Rodney reported the 16/20M estimate was over estimated by a decimal point but carry over will help on that estimate.

Rodney explained that KPERS state wide is underfunded by 9.2 billion underfunded and Allen County's portion of that expense. The stated sets the withholdings so there is not much that can be done to that.

Rodney presented contracts for 2017 audit and 2019 budget preparation. The 2019 budget preparation will be \$1,400 and the 2017 audit will cost \$16,800. Commissioners expressed their appreciation of all the preparation he had done for the commission. Rodney reported the auditors are audited as well to make sure they use the proper protocol. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the contracts. Commissioner Daniels seconded, discussion followed. Cole asked if there is any conflict on Burns doing both audit and budget. Rodney stated sometime the auditors that have been doing audit have found fraud because they know the process. Rodney discussed Solid waste would need to have a letter from the county counselor again this year. Chairman Talkington called for a vote. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan presented the Radio Tower Lease Agreement between Allen County and Heartland Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. located at 410 N. State, Iola.

RADIO TOWER LEASE AGREEMENT

This agreement is made and entered into on the 29th day of August, 2017, by and between Allen County, Kansas herein referred to as Lessor, and Heartland Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. herein referred to as Lessee. Lessor hereby leases to lessee the use of a portion of the new 160-foot antenna tower to be situated on lessor's property at 410 N. State in the County of Allen, State of Kansas and more particularly described as follows to-wit:

A tract of land in the Southeast Quarter of Section (27), Township (24) South, Range (18) East of the 6th P.M., Allen County, Kansas, described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of said Southeast Quarter; thence North along the East Section line, 99.59 feet; thence West 33.00 feet to the West line of State Street in the City of Iola, said point being the true point of beginning; thence West 226.00 feet thence North 258.96 feet; thence East 226.03 feet to the west line of said State Street; thence South 256.60 feet to the POB

SECTION ONE RENTAL AND TERM OF LEASE

This lease will commence upon signing and continue in perpetuity until Lessee relinquishes its interest hereunder or the tower is no longer usable. During the term of this lease, lessee agrees to pay rent to lessor for its antenna placements in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) per month in advance on or before the 5th day of each calendar month beginning on the 5th day of the first full month after the tower is complete and the antennas have been transferred to it. Payments will be made to lessor at 1 N. Washington, Iola, KS or at such other place as lessor may designate.

SECTION TWO USE OF PREMISES

The parties agree that the tower will be used by both parties with Lessee using the tower, as it has in the past, for communication and data gathering related to its business. Lessee shall be allowed to place, at Lessee's cost, two antennas on the tower-one at a height of 150 feet and the other at a height of 110 feet. Lessee shall be responsible of all of its antenna costs including cabling and labor needed to locate its antennas on Lessor's tower. Lessor currently intends to use the tower to host at least eleven antennas to be used for county-wide dispatch communication and may add additional antennas later. The parties acknowledge that the current tower has been found to be of questionable resilience and reliability by contractors who have examined it and that a new tower is needed.

SECTION THREE ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING

Lessee shall not assign this lease or sublet or grant any concession or license to use the tower or any part thereof. Any assignment, subletting, concession or license without the prior written consent of lessor shall be void and shall, at Lessor's option, be grounds to terminate this lease.

SECTION FOUR ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Lessee shall not make alterations to the tower without the prior written consent of Lessor. All alterations, changes and improvements shall become the property of Lessor.

SECTION FIVE UTILITIES

Lessor's antennas will not draw any electricity from nor be connected to the existing electric meter serving the tower. All of Lessor's power usage will be drawn from the dispatch building adjacent to the tower. The electric power meter at the tower will service Lessee's antennas. Lessee shall be responsible for arranging for and paying for all utility services for its antennas.

SECTION SIX INSURANCE AND LIABILITY

Lessee shall have no responsibility to maintain insurance on the tower and Lessor shall have no responsibility to maintain insurance on any antennas or other equipment owned or used by Lessee. Lessee agrees to indemnify and hold Lessor harmless from

any and all claims arising out of Lessee's operations at the tower. Lessor agrees to indemnify and hold Lessee harmless from any and all claims arising out of lessor's ownership or operation of the demised premises.

SECTION SEVEN
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Lessor will keep and maintain the tower in good condition and repair during the term of this lease. If Lessor ceases to use the tower, Lessee may continue to use said tower under the terms of this lease but will be responsible for all maintenance and repairs.

SECTION EIGHT
RIGHT OF ENTRY

Lessor and Lessee shall have access to the tower at all reasonable times for the purpose of maintaining their equipment thereon.

SECTION NINE
NOTICES

Any notices required hereunder may be mailed by regular first-class mail or certified mail addressed to the parties as follows:

LESSOR: Allen County, Kansas, 1 North Washington, Iola, KS 66749

LESSEE: Heartland Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.
110 N. Enterprise Drive, Girard, KS 66743

SECTION TEN
DEFAULT

If any default is made by Lessee or Lessor in the performance of or compliance with any of the terms or condition hereof, then this lease may be terminated at the option of the non-defaulting party. Upon default, the non-defaulting party shall have such remedies at law and equity as may be necessary to protect its interests hereunder. Before this lease is terminated, the defaulting party shall be given 10 days written notice of the nature of any default or breach alleged. Termination of this lease shall not occur if, within 10 days after receipt of said notice, the defaulting party has corrected the default.

SECTION ELEVEN
BINDING EFFECT

The covenants and conditions herein contained shall apply to the parties hereto and shall bind their heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this lease in Allen County, Kansas the day and year first above written.

Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the Radio Tower Lease Agreement. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege for the purpose of wind farms. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:24 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:29 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege for the purpose of wind farms. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:29 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:34 a.m. No action was taken.

Alan discussed the Zoning Board meeting held Thursday, August 24, 2017. Alan recommended to the commission on behalf of the Zoning board to approve the Conditional Use permit for Delbert and Rick Nelson. The requested Conditional Use Permit would permit: Construction and operation of one and possibly two additional Home Plus Adult. Care Homes as defined in K.S.A. 39-923 with a maximum occupancy limit of 12. The intent of the applicant is to add at least one and possibly two new care homes on the combined tracts.

Following is the description of the property for which the Conditional Use Permit is requested:

A tract of land located in the Northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 24 South, Range 18 East, Allen county Kansas beginning 950 feet West of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 24, thence West on the North section line 370 feet; thence South 525 feet; thence East 370 feet; thence North 525 feet to POB excluding road right-of-way.

The above tract is adjacent to and east of land for which a CUP was granted in 2014 for the same purpose and is described as: A tract of land located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 24 South, Range 18 East, Allen County, Kansas, beginning 1320 feet West of the Northeast Corner of said Northeast Quarter, thence West 555 feet, thence South 510 feet, thence East 555 feet, thence North 510 feet to POB. Said tract having an address of 1727 Oregon Rd. Iola, KS.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Delbert and Rick Nelson. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

There will not be a commission meeting on September 5, 2017.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers --\$169,931.41
- b) Payroll Changes

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until September 12, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

September 12, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Mark and Virginia Peters, citizens, Kenneth Lott, citizen, and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Mr. Lott presented some pictures of the Humboldt Neosho River Bridge brush pile. He stated the county hasn't really been doing anything to help with the clean-up. Discussion followed. Commissioners stated Joe Wiener is working on it and the county is assisting him. The county has done work in the Humboldt area on several different items.

Mr. Lott discussed he has requested mowing along the back road to Humboldt, but nothing has been done. He stated with the Biblesta coming up and visitors coming in, the roads have to be mowed. Commissioners stated they know the mowers are up north mowing, but will visit with Mitch about making sure the roads are mowed in time for the Biblesta.

Mr. Lott discussed Mr. Reinhart's property west of the Neosho River in Humboldt. He wanted the county to charge Mr. Reinhart for the trees falling into the river. Commissioners allotted they would have to send bills to people upstream as well. Commissioners stated they are working on doing whatever they can to fix the tree jam without putting lives in danger. Mr. Lott stated if the bridge is knocked down, what would the county do?

Bob Johnson asked if the county still sprays for Johnson grass because there is a lot out there on the county roads.

Sherrie asked commissioners if any would like to attend the SEK Regional Meeting in Linn County on October 20, 2017. Commissioner Daniels will check.

Sherrie asked what time the commissioners would like to canvass the City/School General Election on November 13, 2017. Commissioners stated 9:00 a.m. is good.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Iola Middle/High School Band to use the bandstand on October 19 at 6:00 p.m. for a jazz concert. Commissioners approved.

Chairman Talkington requested on behalf of Mandy Middleton for the Iola High School to use the south lawn for a band marathon, but would like to have a restroom available for students. Commissioners approved the use of the south lawn, but will touch base with the Sheriff to see if their front lobby was available for restroom use.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, is still working on the log jam. Some of the trees are still hooked at the roots. Mitch stated Cole Herder, Humboldt City Administrator, thought the roots should stay to keep the bank from eroding.

Commissioners asked Mitch about the mowing north and south of Humboldt; the old back roads. Mitch stated they are working on that direction.

Mitch reported the crusher is up and running this week. They are crushing little and big rock.

Mitch reported they are currently working on the South California Bridge replacement project.

Chairman Talkington asked about a low water bridge replacement east of Humboldt (west of the Humboldt overpass). Discussion followed. Commissioners asked Mitch to get a cost for

replacement. Mitch stated the cost of replacement is just on the county because it is not considered a bridge, which would keep it from being qualified for state help.

Mitch reported they are working on Howard Dillow's ditches; getting Dig Safe calls now.

Mitch reported on the Allen County Regional Airport hangar. Discussion on whether the county could fix it or if a contractor needs to. Mitch said a couple of the current employees had done that type of work before working for the county. He would like to see what they can do.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the new dispatch tower. Angela Murphy, 911 Communications Director, told him the radio vendor gave her quotes to remove and replace the EMS and Fire repeaters at \$6,500 each repeater. The City of Iola will foot the cost of the Fire but the County should foot the cost for EMS. It will cost \$18,000 to replace all the "8 year" hardware on the current tower. Alan asked if the commission was interested in updating to new equipment or not? Commissioners approved to purchase the \$6,500 for EMS repeater but declined on the \$18,000.

Alan discussed the letter received from Kansas Historical Society considering putting the Humboldt Marsh Arch Bridge (Neosho River Bridge) on the State of Kansas Historical Registry. Alan sent a request out to other county counselors concerning other bridges that were put on the Historical Registry. None were in favor, so Commissioners requested Alan to send a letter to the Kansas Historical Society reporting commissioners are not in favor of the Humboldt River Bridge being put on the Historical Registry.

Chairman Talkington asked if they need to discuss a replacement for a person on the new Allen County Economic Development Incentive Board. Commissioner Daniels stated there is not a need at this time to do a replacement. The board is still trying to get a first meeting date.

Sandra Drake, Allen County Appraiser, joined the meeting.

Alan reported a hearing for the Wind farm will be coming up in October. He would like to have a bigger publication due to the large area affected, plus he is publishing a map. Discussion followed.

Alan stated he has the tax sale publication about ready.

Sandra Drake asked if employees could purchase the old computers if under \$1,000. Alan stated the county policy would allow it since it is under \$1,000. Sandra will visit with Advantage to see what the cost is for cleaning them off. Discussion followed.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers -9/11/17-\$63,374.55 & 9/12/17-\$399,049.10
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry #49-53
- d) Abatement: PP Value 3959, \$554.82, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until September 19, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

September 19, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, and Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the September 12, 2017 meeting.

Sherrie requested if the commissioners would approve paying for employee flu shots again this year. The cost is \$45.00 per employee if they are under 65, if over they are \$75. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the county paying for the flu shots. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, joined the meeting.

Commissioners discussed a Rural Water District #7 sales tax issue.

Commissioners reviewed a request from KWORCC for a representative for the 2017 Annual KWORCC meeting. Commissioner Williams moved to make Commissioner Jerry Daniels to serve as 2017 KWORCC's Allen County representative and Sherrie L Riebel, Allen County Clerk as representative. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Cole Herder joined the commission meeting.

Commissioners discussed a request from a citizen who would like the commission to up their contribution to the ROZ Program.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, requested loader tires and he needs them now. So he would like to replace them for around \$9,000. Discussion followed. Commissioners approved him to get prices and forward to them.

Mitch updated the progress of the California Road Bridge (3.0-T.2) project is coming along. They have pillars in the ground.

Mitch reported the Humboldt Bridge is moving along slowly but is moving. Discussion followed. Cole presented pictures of the work that has been completed on the brush pile.

Mitch discussed the insurance for the Allen County Regional Airport hangers. Discussion followed on the hanger projects.

Cole reported the side roads towards the City of Humboldt are mowed and looks very nice.

Cole discussed the new Opie's that opened in Humboldt. It has been busy.

Chairman Talkington asked what a regular bridge would cost to replace Hawaii Road's low water bridge. Commissioners Daniels and Williams stated they would probably not replace it with a regular bridge because they can go back to another road a short distance from this low water bridge.

Shannon Patterson, Administrative Clerk, replaced Clerk Riebel in the commission meeting.

Roger Carswell, Southeast Kansas Regional Library Executive Director, joined the meeting. He explained legislature has changed the law, appointments now have to be made by the County Commissioners. Discussion followed on history of the library system. Roger informed Commissioners that Mandy Specht is willing to be reappointed. These positions are 4 year terms. Current term has been expired for 4 years because the Governor hasn't reappointed in that time, so Mandy has continued to service in that capacity. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams move to reappoint Mandy Specht to the Southeast Kansas Regional Library System Board, Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Carolyn Whitaker, citizen, was present to discuss the bridge at Humboldt. Carolyn has made application to put Marsh Arch Bridge on registry. Discussion followed on the condition of the bridge. Commissioner Talkington requested to hold discussion until Mitch Garner is able to rejoin the meeting.

Ron Holman, House and Grounds director, joined the meeting. The oak tree in front of the extension office, south of the red bench, is not in very good condition. He would like to remove and replace the tree. Commissioners approved.

Mitch Garner joined the meeting. Carolyn continued discussion on the condition of the bridge. It is a double rainbow arch bridge and very few are left. Amanda Loughlin, National Register Coordinator, Kansas Historical Society, joined the meeting. If put on the national registry, grant monies are possible. The request would not go before the state board until February, national board in April if agreed to do so.

Amanda discussed the registry and what it means to put the bridge on it. Discussion followed on inspection from the engineer in February 2018 and possible plans after. There are questions about grants available to help with work on bridge and if KDOT will still fund if on registry. Commissioners suggested that Carolyn keep up her research and putting together the information needed for the application to the registry, but will hold off on submitting it until after the inspection next year. Once results are in, commissioners will discuss what actions should be done at that time.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers - \$214,704.67
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry - #54-55

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until September 26, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, Assistant Admin Clerk

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

September 26, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on September 19, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, were present to observe the meeting.

Bob Johnson expressed his opinion on putting the Humboldt Bridge on the National Registry. He doesn't feel like the commission should do that since the maintenance could be costly.

Commissioner Williams presented information about having goats at the landfill to help take care of weeds.

Tom Nevans, Veteran's Committee, requested to have the restrooms open on November 11, 2017 during the Veteran's Day Parade. He invited the Sheriff's Office to be in the parade. Tom invited Commissioner Jerry Daniels to speak at the Parade. Commissioner Daniels stated he could do that. Commissioner Daniels will try to get a Black Hawk to fly over at 12:00 p.m. to start the parade. Commissioners approved the use of the courthouse restrooms. Tom asked if Ron could put up green lights in the entrances in honor of the veterans.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported KDOT is putting up signs on the overpasses currently.

Commissioners presented Mitch with the goat information.

Mitch reported the Dillow drainage project is done.

Mitch discussed tire bids. Tire proposals were from J.D.'s Automotive for Tiron 29.5-L25 L5-28 ply for \$5,380 per tire for 4 tires, O-rings for \$8.00 times 4, \$85.00 per hours for 4 hours for a total of \$21,892.00; Fred's Treads, Chanute for Tiron 29.5-L25 L5-28 ply for \$4,199.50 per tire for 4 tires, installed for a total of \$19,998.00; Cross Mid-West, Pittsburg, for Firestone 29.5-L25 L5-28 ply for \$4,320.92 per tire for 4 tires, O-rings for \$12.50 times 4, \$50.00 per hours for 4 hours for a total of \$17,933.68; and Eastside Tires out of Humboldt is unable to order these tires. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the Fred's Treads, Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 2- 1-0. Chairman Talkington voted no, his preference would be Cross Mid-West.

Mitch reported on the Humboldt Bridge project. Joe Weiner is still pulling out tree limbs. Mitch stated it is getting cleaned out. Discussion followed.

Mitch reported the hangar they purchased is here and they are waiting on the bi-fold door. It will be installed in 2018 once the cement pad is installed. The hangar damaged in the storm is being fixed in house. Discussion followed.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the two upcoming zoning hearings. The first on the wind farm substation, which will be this Thursday, September 28, 2017 and the actual wind farm hearing next month, October 26, 2017. Discussion followed.

Chairman Talkington asked about the Sleep Inn project. Alan stated he had visited with Sid Fleming, City of Iola Administrator and nothing more was mentioned.

Chairman Talkington asked if Alan looked at the G&W proposed parking lot. Discussion followed on what was permitted and that the city should be the one that makes the call. Chairman Talkington stated it is a shorter area than what they wanted the cost of the county to make up. Discussion followed.

Alan discussed the Kenneth Wright project clean up. The state will provide \$10,000 towards clean up and the county has to pay 25%. Alan asked Commissioners to make a motion allowing Chairman Talkington to send an application letter to the state for the \$10,000. Commissioner Williams so moved. Commissioner Daniels seconded. Discussion followed on Alan explaining the process and how this would work. Chairman Talkington asked if there is any way of purchasing this property. Alan explained what the county could and couldn't do. Motion passed 3-0-0. Chairman Talkington signed the application.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege concerning Wind Farms. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:11 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:16 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners discussed with Alan the Rural Opportunity Zone program. Commissioners suggested individuals visit with their employers to see if they will also participate.

Commissioner Daniels asked about when the wind farms taxation would start. Discussion followed on when and what determines time.

Bob Johnson asked about the wind farm PILOT agreements. Commissioners allowed he would know when they know. Bob wanted to know what the county would do; would the county amortize the money. Alan explained it would be up to the county once it is received.

Chairman Talkington stated Cloud County Community College might be coming to Regional Tech School to teach about wind farm maintenance. Discussion followed on what a benefit it would be to local residents.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers - \$265,431.23
- b) Payroll Changes

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until October 3, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Larry Walden, citizen, David Toland, Thrive Executive Director, Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator and Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on September 26, 2017.

Cole discussed asphalt work and road striping in Humboldt.

Cole presented an invitation to the 60th Biblesta Parade and events.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported the signs are on the overpasses across US Hwy 169.

Mitch stated the California Bridge is coming along good.

Mitch reported another airport wants the rest of the damaged airport hangar. He stated he might bid it out. They will be starting on the repair pretty quick, just need to get the iron and doors. Mitch and crew will be getting the new one up and going.

Mitch stated they are waiting on striping on 9th Street in Humboldt until Bettis gets the fix done.

Mitch reported the tires are on their way.

Mitch updated the commission on work below the Humboldt River Bridge. They are making headway with the pile. Cole stated the City of Humboldt appreciates the work below the dam. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Williams thanked David Toland for the applying for grants for Allen County. David thanked the commissioners for their support over the last 10 years.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds, asked for hand sanitizers for the hall ways. He also asked to replace the sign at the Iola Senior Center. Commissioners approved the painting on the windows.

Ron reported the railing on the north side of the courthouse is installed.

Tony Thompson, Allen County Regional Hospital Administrator, Larry Peterson, Allen County Regional Hospital Financial Director, Loren Korte, Allen County Regional Hospital Trustee, were present to discuss Bond Refinancing. Loren stated if the county refinances the bonds; it will save the county money. Tony introduced Larry, who presented the information to the commission. The following is the information presented:



Allen County Regional
HOSPITAL

To: Board of Trustees
From: Larry Peterson, CFO
Subject: Bond refinancing

We have requested and received proposals on the refinancing of our bond issues from both Piper Jaffray and United Missouri Bank (UMB), and discussed participation in this refinancing with multiple local banks. The proposals received are to refinance:

- 2011 Bonds (a portion of these bonds)
- 2012 Bonds (all or a portion of these bonds)
- 2013 Bonds ["working capital loan"]: (to replace a portion of these bonds, expiring on 04/30/18)

After reviewing both proposals with the Finance Committee of the Board, we feel that the UMB proposal is far superior to that of the Piper Jaffray proposal. I will summarize key parts of both proposals for you below. The first section will address the actions to be taken in regards to the 2011/2012 bond issues (tax exempt bonds). The second section will address the actions to be taken in regards to the 2013 bond issue (taxable bonds).

The 2011 and 2012 Bonds:

Piper Jaffray: This proposal is split into two parts in order to treat each as bank qualified tax exempt bonds for the purpose of getting better interest rates.

Part 1: This represents the refunding of \$8,625,000 of the 2012 bonds and issue new bonds (i.e. the 2017 issue) in the amount of \$9,150,000 (face value).

The estimated proceeds of this bond issue are estimated to be \$9,914,670 (sold at a premium), with issue costs of \$183,646, and net proceeds of \$9,731,024 placed into escrow (for the future retirement of our existing bonds).

The estimated savings over our current costs for the period of 2023 through 2036 is \$470,085, or an average of \$35,000 per year.

Part 2: This represents the refunding of \$3,965,000 of the 2011 bonds and \$5,125,000 of the 2012 bonds. This would require the issuing of new bonds (i.e. the 2018 issue) in the amount of \$9,090,000 (face value).

The estimated proceeds of this bond issue are estimated to be \$9,895,622 (sold at a premium), with issue costs of \$188,780, and net proceeds of \$9,706,842 placed into escrow (for the future retirement of our existing bonds).

The estimated savings over our current costs over the period of 2020 through 2031 is \$337,817, or an average of \$28,000 per year.

Together, these transactions amount to:

- Total refunding = \$17,715,000
- Issue costs = \$372,426
- Savings = \$807,902 (during the periods of 2020 through 2036)

United Missouri Bank: This proposal refunds \$3,465,000 of the 2011 bond issue, plus the entire \$15,000,000 of the 2012 bond issue, totaling \$18,465,000. This amount is funded through two new bond issues (i.e. the 2017 and 2018 bonds). This splitting into two bond issues is done in order to make the issues bank qualified tax exempt bonds, in order to get better interest rates. The total of the two issues is \$19,465,000.

The estimated proceeds from these transactions are \$19,465,000 (face value), less issue costs of \$238,040, with net proceeds of \$19,226,960 placed into escrow (for the future retirement of our existing bonds). The estimated savings over our current costs during the period of 2020 through 2036 is \$2,446,542, or an average of \$144,000 per year.

Together, these transactions amount to:

- Total refunding = \$18,465,000
- Issue costs = \$238,040
- Savings = \$2,446,542 (during the periods of 2020 through 2036)

The 2013 Bonds (working capital loan):

Piper Jaffray: This proposal is to replace the current \$5,000,000 bond issue (which expires on 04/30/18) with a new taxable bond issue in the amount of \$4,500,000. The bond issue (\$4,500,000), less bond issue costs of \$90,000, will yield net proceeds of \$4,410,000. The hospital will need to pay cash in the amount of \$590,000 to fund the debt reduction of \$500,000 plus the \$90,000 in issue costs.

The average interest rate/yield = 3.24%.

This is a significant savings over the current bond interest, which is currently paying out at 4.50%. The current bond issue is a variable rate issue, versus a fixed rate bond issue. The total interest paid over the 10 year period would be \$835,000.

United Missouri Bank: This proposal is to replace the current \$5,000,000 bond issue (which expires on 04/30/18) with a new taxable bond issue in the amount of \$4,500,000. The bond issue (\$4,500,000), less bond issue costs of \$85,000, will yield net proceeds of \$4,415,000. The hospital will need to pay cash in the amount of \$585,000 to fund the debt reduction of \$500,000 plus the \$85,000 in issue costs.

The average interest rate/yield = 2.95%.

This is a significant savings over the current bond interest, which is currently paying out at 4.50%. The current bond issue is a variable rate issue, versus a fixed rate bond issue. The total interest paid over the 10 year period would be \$815,000.

In addition, UMB has stated that if we can make a private placement (instead of a public offering/sale) of these bonds, they would waive their portion of the underwriter's fee, and that the incremental legal fees should be minimal (total issue costs of less than \$5,000). This would lower the cash needed by the hospital for both the debt reduction and issue costs from \$585,000 to about \$505,000.

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Summary:

The UMB proposals (for all bond issues) puts more money in the hospital's pocket through lower issue costs and lower interest rates, during the period of the refunding. Both Piper Jaffray and UMB have indicated that if the proposed bond issues do not sell, that there would be no out of pocket cost to the hospital. Of course, we only achieve these savings if the bonds sell at the rates proposed. From this standpoint, we had an excellent experience with UMB in the issuing of our original 2011/2011/2013 hospital bonds.

There is a fairly tight time frame for making a decision on this refinancing. The two primary reasons for this are:

- The favorable short and long term interest rate situation that exists at the present time.
- The yearend deadline for the splitting of the total amount of the refinancing into two issues. This is done in order to get the best interest rates, by issuing the bonds as bank qualified tax exempt bonds of less than \$10,000,000 each. The first issue would have to be issued in December 2017, while the remaining issue would be issued in January 2018.

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Larry reported the Allen County Regional Hospital Board of Trustees recommended to refinance all three series of bonds through UMB and they recommended it to go before the county commission. The working capital loan can be paid off whenever, but the 2017 and 2018 will not be able to be paid out for 7 to 10 years. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington asked about monies for a Medical Arts Building. Larry reported interest savings only will be what they have, not monies for that. Alan explained who they work with on the bonds prep. They are not expanding the bond payments, just changing them. Loren stated financing interest has gone down, so now is the time to refinance and save around 2 million dollars. Commissioner Daniels asked what the risks would be. Larry stated the risk is only if they don't sell, which they are confident they can sell them. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the refinancing. Commissioner Daniels seconded, discussion followed on questions from Larry Walden, not commissioners. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Stevee Kennard, EDP Renewables, Chris More and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, presented information on the Zoning meeting. Stevee discussed the land and where it is located. They are in the process of selling the land to KCP&L. Alan discussed the zoning meeting last Thursday evening. No opposition was presented to the meeting. None of this property is property of Prairie Queen Wind Farm. Alan asked for the Commissioners approval. Commissioner Williams approved the Conditional Use Permit. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sheriff Murphy asked when the project would start. Stevee stated in the spring of 2018. Discussion followed on roads and construction. Sheriff Murphy stated he didn't think it would affect roads for this portion.

Alan discussed the dispatch center and whether to finish the parking lot. Currently it has been chip seal and Angie would like to have it asphalted. Chairman Talkington stated he is not in favor of it this year. Commissioner Daniels asked who chip and sealed it. Alan stated it was the county road crew. Commissioner Williams stated he thought chip and seal was fine with him. Commissioner Daniels asked if it needs to be done. No action was taken at this time and will consider after more information is collected.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers - \$300,261.21
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry #56-58
- d) Abatement: TR Value 105, \$18.76, Year 2016

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until October 10, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 10, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Virginia and Mark Peters, citizens, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the October 3, 2017 meeting.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Elizabeth Toland to use the Allen County courtyard to host a community play group on Friday, October 20, 2017 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Commissioners approved.

Sherrie requested to be able to use the Assembly Room on October 25, 2017 for a Blood Drive. Commissioners approved.

Commissioners discussed a request from Kansas Department of Transportation committing to the local matching share as presented in the 5310 SFY 2019 Grant application. Commissioner Williams moved to have Chairman Talkington sign the agreement. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, stated all is going well. Commissioner Daniels reported a tree damning a creek on California Road. Mitch reported it is on the list.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, conference call on hospital refinance and will have done by end of year.

Alan discussed the tax foreclosure sale and where he is at on it; still trying to notify persons.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers -\$268,913.90, total all vouchers-\$834,606.34
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry - #59-60

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until October 17, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 17, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Rick Danley, Iola Register, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 10, 2017.

Tracy Keagle, Humanity House representative, requested permission to "light up the square" with trees. They will be doing the bandstand and Wings of Warriors will help. Tracy requested to use bucket trucks on the yard. Commissioners approved Tracy to coordinate with Ron.

Sherrie discussed the Special Alcohol Fund request from Southeast Kansas Mental Health. Discussion followed on what has been given to SEKMHC, Hope Unlimited and Drug Court for the last few years. Commissioners approved \$7,500 to be sent to SEK Mental Health and \$2,500 be sent to Drug Court.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed wind farm agreements. Road Agreement, decommissioning agreement, and PILOT agreement. They will still want to discuss PILOT agreement with the commission. Discussion followed. The wind farm applicants will not come to discuss that until after the zoning hearing at the end of the month. Alan explained how the agreements will be handled.

Alan asked about a ribbon cutting on the Radio Tower at 911 Communications. Commissioners stated they did not see a need. Commissioner Daniels stated they can do something if they want, but the commission does not need to.

Chairman Talkington asked if there is anyway with the wind energy to ask they donate towards the Tech Center so that training can be offered to teach maintenance. Discussion followed. Chairman Talkington would like to see \$150,000 donated to get the program off and running. Commissioner Williams stated he would like to decide after the zoning has been completed. Alan agreed.

Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels asked if the earmarking of a PILOT should go through the county or school. Alan is not recommending anything, it will be an executive decision. Discussion will wait until after a zoning decision is made and on fencing replacement.

Chairman Talkington asked if the transmission lines are buried or overhead. Alan explained how that would work. Alan stated the wind farm applicant has everything lined out really well. Completion in early 2019. Commissioners expressed appreciation on all Alan is doing on the application.

Jaime Westervelt, Allen County Multi-Agency Team (ACMAT) and DFC Coordinator, Elizabeth Hopkins, ACMAT, Carol Olson, ACMAT and students: Celina Caron, Iola, Saylor Hermreck, Humboldt, Katy Parker, Humboldt, Abigail Hirt, Iola, Ty Scharff, Elsmore, and Jady Kaufman, Iola, joined the meeting for discussion of the Red Ribbon Week.

Jaime explained how kids sign a red card committing to not using alcohol or other drugs. She requested to put a banner on the courtyard. Commissioners approved and requested Jaime to coordinate with Ron on the installation of the banner.

**Red Ribbon Week Proclamation
For Allen County Kansas**

Whereas, Alcohol and other drug abuse in this nation has reached epidemic levels; and
Whereas, It is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts by community members are launched to eliminate the demands for drugs; and
Whereas, Allen County Multi-Agency Team in conjunction with the National Family Partnership is sponsoring the Red Ribbon Week Campaign ®; and offering citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles.
Whereas, Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated throughout Allen County October 23-31; and
Whereas, a banner displaying the signatures of students from Moran, Iola, and Humboldt, that have signed the drug-free pledge, be set up on the Allen County Court house lawn during Red Ribbon Week®.
Whereas, business, government, parents, law enforcement, schools, media, religious institutions, medical and service organization will demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles by wearing and displaying Red Ribbons during the week-long campaign.
Whereas, Allen County further commits its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Campaign®.



Now therefore be it resolved that Allen County does hereby proclaim October 23-31, 2017 as Red Ribbon Week ® and encourages its citizens to participate in drug prevention education activities, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug-free community.

County Commissioners _____

Witness _____
County Clerk _____

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Jaime discussed other items ACMAT is working on and presented the commissioners with the information.

Debbie Bearden, Farmer's Market, Calvin Parker, Farmer's Market, and Robin Schallie, Farmer's Market fiscal agent, joined the meeting to discuss grant for Farmers Market. Debbie presented information on the Allen County Farmer's Market EBT Data 2017. She requested the commission to be the fiscal director for applying for another grant. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the county to be the fiscal director and approve Chairman Talkington to sign the application. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers - \$150,527.77
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry #61-62

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until October 24, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 24, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 17, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, John Fewins, Elsmore City Council and Larry Walden, citizen, were present to observe the meeting.

Elizabeth Toland, Talk, Read, Play Allen County representative, requested pictures of the commission with the new blocks. Elizabeth complemented Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, on his help with the blocks. She explained how they work and store.

Sherrie requested on behalf of Jasmine Suchy and Garth Skelly to use the Bandstand for a wedding October 28, 2017. Commissioners approved.

Commissioners discussed handicap parking around the square and inside of the north parking lot. Discussion followed. Commissioners requested for Ron and Sheriff to figure out more handicap parking in the north parking lot.

Mark Stean, citizen, discussed the non-profit business on State Street being Iola Senior Center Inc. As a citizen using the nonprofit should get them a bigger building. If he had the finances then he would get them a bigger building. A bigger building where they could have more inside to help the community.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed the hanger that needs replaced but will need to order soon. Commissioners approved him to get started on it.

Commissioners discussed air traffic in comparison to Chanute Municipal Martin Johnson Airport in Chanute. Discussion followed.

John asked about the runway length of Allen County Regional Airport in comparison of Chanute's Airport. Allen County's is longer.

Commissioner Daniels explained about state funding that might be available come 2018. Discussion followed.

John stated the City of Elsmore citizens appreciated Mitch and his crews for the work they've done for them.

Sandra Drake, Allen County Appraiser, Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds, Terry Call, EMS Billing Clerk, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk, Crickett Maley, Allen County Treasurer, and Cara Barkdoll, Register of Deeds, joined the meeting to discuss different topics. Sherrie presented proposed 2018 Holidays. Discussion followed. Commissioner William moved to approve the proposed holidays. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sheriff Murphy discussed proposed employee increases for 2018 for 5% based on 2.5% for COLA(CPI) and 2.5% for merit. He discussed department heads and employees catching up to department head wages as commissioners usually do not increase department heads as much as employees. Sheriff Murphy stated Austin Peters did not address Department head wages and where they should be. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Williams discussed Health Savings Account (HSA) for employees. He asked the department heads to discuss at the next department head meeting. Alan stated we need to have Bukaty review HSA's for Allen County.

Alan discussed longevity time for employees. He explained how the personal days currently are days off and most of these persons have so much time they can't use all of it any way. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels stated a lot of entities are currently doing this. They would be open to a plan. Currently giving a non-cash longevity now and wants to make it a cash longevity. Commissioners will consider a plan. Department Heads discussed doing this on their anniversary date. Alan will draft a plan. Bob Johnson asked what the justification of 5% budget is. Discussion followed.

Larry Walden asked about time off in comparison to wages or a set pay. Discussion followed.

Alan discussed a letter concerning opioids litigation where they are trying to recruit counties. A law firm wants the commission to join in the suit. Alan doesn't know how many counties are participating. There would be no cost to the county. Alan explained what the goal is. Commissioner Daniels asked about what Kansas Association of Counties was doing. Alan will check.

Sheriff Murphy explained the problem in Allen County.

Commissioner Williams discussed the County Coroner. He requested to have Dr. Erik Mitchell appoint the Allen County Sheriff and deputies as special deputy coroners. Interim coroner is currently Ronald Ballard. This all stems from an incident that happened recently. Discussion followed. Sheriff Murphy stated if a coroner is called then that means the person is already deceased. Commissioner Daniels stated he would leave the determination whether the county deputies can do or not. Discussion followed. Alan will visit with Dr. Mitchell.

John Fewins requested for the Amateur Radio Ham Operators to use the band stand on December 14. 7:00 p.m. Commissioners approved but reminded him there will be tree in the center.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – 10/19/17-\$157,228.51 & 10/23/17-\$5,128.32
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries #63-64

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until October 31, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

October 31, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels (via conference call), Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Tom Nevans, Veteran's Day Committee representative, Marc and Virginia Peters, Mark and Virginia Spillman, citizens, Wayne and Nancy Chandler, citizens, Larry Walden, citizen, and was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the October 24, 2017 meeting.

Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, discussed the area around the clock and would like to put edging around it to match the bandstand. The bid is from Custom Borders for \$425 for a semi-circle in front of the wall. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the bid, Commissioner Daniels seconded,

Ron asked to donate extra lights to the Humanity House for the lights on the grounds, Commissioners approved him to loan the lights to them.

Tom Nevans, Veteran's Day Committee representative, requested to put green screens over the flood lights around the court house in honor of veterans. This would be from November 6th through the 16th. Commissioners approved.

Tom Nevans reminded the commission that other people will be wanting to put up other colors representing pink/blue and so on.

Tom Nevans requested to put up a sign on November 10th that says Happy 422th Birthday to the Marine Corp.

Larry Walden presented information from the USD #257 bond election in 2014. He wanted to thank the commission for paying for the bond issue that failed. Commissioner Williams stated he didn't agree with that statement.

Debbie Bearden, requested Chairman Talkington to sign the grant via electronic signature. Debbie will send to Allen County Clerk and she will get to him.

Chairman Talkington asked about a letter concerning Honor Flight's requesting donations. No action was taken.

Commissioners reviewed an application for Financial Assistance Public Transportation Program for operating funds for 2018. Commissioner Williams moved to authorize Chairman Talkington to sign the KDOT grant for funds. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitchell Garner, Poured deck on California and will get handrails done as well this week.

Mitch reported the old hanger is down, they had to add 4' concrete to make other hanger fit. Commissioner Daniels stated Cole Herder reported the debris under bridge looking good.

Sheriff Murphy discussed a request from Don Burns about the intersection on 1650 Road and Rails Trails has people parking there and the rise needs to have a small pullout so the cars aren't in the road. Mitch will go and look at it. Discussion followed.

Alan discussed the hospital bond refinance. He needs a motion and second and vote to give notice of the bond. "Thereupon, Commissioner Tom Williams presented a motion for the purpose of giving notice and instruction to the Allen County, Kansas Public Building Commission to provide for notice of conditional redemption of the Public Building Commission's Revenue Bonds, Series 2013 (Allen County Hospital Project) and to take all necessary actions in connection therewith; provided that the issuance of additional bonds of the Public Building Commission for the purpose of refunding the Series 2013 Bonds is subject to the passage of additional resolutions by the Allen County Hospital Board of Trustees, the County, and the Public Building Commission authorizing such issuance and the execution of a supplemental Trust Indenture prescribing the form and details of such bonds. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jerry Daniels, and approved by the following roll call vote: Yea: Jim Talkington, Tom Williams and Jerry Daniels. Nay: None". Motion passed 3-0-0. Alan explained the next steps of the bond refinance to be expecting.

Alan asked about hospital trustee candidates. He will send out a list to the commission to see who they would like to have him contact concerning serving on that board. Harry Lee and Debbie Roe's term will be expiring on December 31, 2017.

Alan checked into opioid litigation with KAC. Melissa A. Wangemann General Counsel & Director of Legislative Services Kansas Association of Counties is checking into it. There would be a lot for the county to do if they join the lawsuit.

Commissioners adjourned to the assembly room for a decision on the Allen County Planning Board zoning recommendation on the CWEP application of Prairie Queen Wind Farm, LLC, a subsidiary of EDP Renewables due to so many people attending the commission meeting. Those present in the assembly room in addition to the commissioners were Jim Shetlar, Bryan Sloan, Patti Boyd, Wayne and Nancy Chandler, Virginia and Mark Peters, Larry Walden, Jenny and Mark Spillman, citizens or landowners, Sandra Drake, Allen County Appraiser, Stevee Kennard and David Neely, EDP Renewables, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Alan stated the purpose of the meeting was for the commission to review the zoning board's recommendation to accept the CWEP Special Conditional Use Permit for property located in Allen County, Kansas. The property is currently zoned Agricultural. The requested Special Use Permit would permit: The construction and operation of a 200-megawatt Commercial Wind Energy Project (CWEP) to be comprised of approximately 56 wind turbines, a central collector substation, an operations and maintenance building, an overhead transmission line, underground collection lines and above ground access roads. The project is owned by Prairie Queen Wind Farm, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company (f/k/a Moran Wind Farm, LLC) a subsidiary of EDP Renewables. This special use application was received on September 22, 2017. Last Thursday, October 26, 2017 the planning board met for a hearing. There were 265 notices sent within the area plus a one-mile radius outside the area. Publication notice was also made in The Iola Register and the Humboldt Union. At the conclusion of that hearing, the planning board unanimously recommended to the Allen County Commission that the CWEP be approved. Alan advised the county commissioners that they should accept the planning board recommendation unless they feel the Board acted arbitrarily. Chairman Talkington stated he hadn't had time to read everything yet and began reading the minutes of the Planning Board Meeting. Patti asked what he was reading; he stated the minutes from the CWEP meeting last Thursday evening. Mark Spillman asked if the planning board was 7 persons and 5 voted for it; the answer was yes, still a quorum. Larry Walden stated Roberts Rule of Order is if a person is absent then it is an affirmative vote. Not all agreed. Jim Shetlar stated that he felt that proper notice of the commission meeting was not given. Alan Advised that proper notice of the Planning Board meeting had been given by publication and by mail in accordance with law. The presentation of the matter to the commission was listed in the current agenda. Mr. Shetlar stated that he lives outside the CWEP area but adjacent to it and had no idea they were doing them that close. The first time he had notification was when Alan sent him a letter about the zoning meeting. He allowed that the commissioner agenda listed zoning as a topic but was not specific that it was on the windfarm! He discussed talking with a realtor in Emporia on economic impacts and asked if there had been a study of impact on livestock?

Commissioner Williams stated there might be legal issues if the commission did not approve the recommendation from the planning board unless they found that they were in some way arbitrary. Alan stated if the commission did not act upon the recommendation there might be issues. Jim Shetlar asked if the commission or Alan were aware of a case called the "Golden Case" and was advised that they were. He discussed not having proper answers about demolition and value of adjacent properties. Jim Shetlar stated he had visited with realtors from Emporia who said property values drop 15-20% in property due to powerlines.

Commissioner Williams stated he had not heard anything negative when he visited with individuals living by the Waverly Wind Farms. He referred to a farmer who had lived by one and the first 3 months heard them and after that was used to it; noticed it when they stopped them for maintenance. Commissioner Williams visited with people who live there that reported the roads are better than ever. He talked to people in Anderson County and they stated it was more about placement than not wanting wind farms.

Mark Spillman questioned the commission on whether they considered the health, people, animal & wildlife or any property values. Whether they would show a drop in property value of 30 to 40% or more. If he gets headaches and he decides to move who is going to make up the drop in value of his land; the commission/county or the wind farm owners. If the county commission makes the decision to have the wind farm is the county commission going to make up his net worth on his property?

Commissioner Williams stated as a commissioner he has to look at what is best for the entire county of Allen.

Jenny Spillman asked if the commission was going to sell out all the people for just a few hundred bucks; to sacrifice these people? Patti Boyd asked about the PILOT (Payment In Lieu Of Taxes) the county would be getting; just how much. Commissioner Williams stated that isn't something they want to look at at this time.

Stevee Kennard, EDP representative, stated in year 11 the company would be paying over 1 million dollars in taxes.

Jim Sheltar asked about open records. Bryan Sloan commented there is usually several meetings before a decision is made. Nothing was covered on possible devaluation of adjacent property; there was no fact finding done. He continued on the possible decrease in the values of property. Patti stated she thinks the commission should send back to the planning board and make them look at these. Patti stated all three of them, (herself, Jim Sheltar, and Bryan Sloan) are attorneys. Jim Sheltar stated there are statutes regarding taking of property. He presented exhibits: 1. The letter he received for notification for zoning hearing; 2. Patti Boyd's letter to the editor of Iola Register; 3. Email from Mark Spillman to the county commission; and 4. A picture of Wayne Chandler's property effected.

Chairman Talkington asked Sandra Drake, Allen County Appraiser, about property values. Sandra replied there is no way of knowing if values would drop. Ag values are up and not effected by overhead lines. She acknowledged that people said Monarch would hurt their property values if they put in a quarry and it didn't; people said if there is an airport by them it would hurt their property values and it didn't. She did say none of the zoning board members asked her about property values.

Alan explained that there is exposure to litigation whichever way the county goes. The standard to consider is did the Planning Board act reasonably and not in an arbitrary or capricious manner in making its recommendation. Alan also pointed out that the issues raised today were all considered by the Planning Board at their meeting last Thursday and multiple times during all of the public meetings held when the wind farm criteria were developed in late 2016 and early 2017.

Patti asked Alan to clarify his comment! Did the planning board act reasonably? Alan explained that the zoning powers of the county must be exercised reasonably and not arbitrarily or capriciously.

Mark Spillman asked the commission if they had to do what was recommended to them by the planning board? Alan has advised the commissioners that they do not have to follow the planning board recommendation but should unless they find those recommendations were arbitrary. Commissioner Williams asked if Mark Spillman knew any of the planning board. Mark advised that he did. Mark further commented that there was talk upstairs (in the commission room) about the Revolutionary War protecting people from the decisions made by the government. He felt this is the same.

Bryan Sloan requested once again to send it back to the planning board for review of the possibility of devaluation of property.

Chairman Talkington stated he thought all had a concern over property values.

Mark Spillman discussed his concerns how the turbines would run off wildlife, cause headaches and overview of all sorts along with property values. How there wasn't much discussion on the negative effects.

Larry Walden commented planning is not new to the procedures of planning board. That there was only 3 out of 30 persons in attendance at the hearing that even protested the wind farm.

Commissioner Williams stated all the planning board are neighbors, friends and no one of them are underhanded.

Stevee stated she has a background in environment, doing the best they can. She chose to work for a company because they are stewards of the environment. Otherwise she would not be working for them. She explained there are all types of land with wind farms on them; none of the landowners have ever complained about land values, wildlife and so on...just clean source of energy for the future.

Jim Sheltar commented that yes, he did know about the wind farm due to rumors of one but a year ago but was not concerned then as he thought they would be located in a different area in Allen County not around him and his neighbors. Most of the landowners within the area of the wind farm are smaller and they need to slow down and make sure all needs are met. Since internal reports are proprietary and not being shared how do they know they were done at all.

Stevee stated the reports from the individual companies are not public record but the letters sent by public agencies are. Mark commented of course any studies done by the company would support the company because they are paying them for the report; hired by them.

Wayne Chandler stated he lives west of US Hwy #59 and there will be 6 turbines within a couple of miles of him and a high voltage power line on the property north of his which he felt would probably cause his television to have bad reception.

Stevee stated Mr. Chandler expressed concern about his TV reception if a line went in by him. They sometimes compensate the individual with a getting them satellite T.V. to provide good reception and \$300 a year compensation if they participate in a neighbor agreement.

Larry pointed out that Jim Sheltar didn't have an issue with the wind farms until they were located in his area.

Jenny Spillman discussed that no one checked out the pros and cons she found listed on the internet. Sandra asked her what state the land valuation studies came from? Jenny replied Wisconsin. Sandra stated people cannot blame things on wind farms it could be economics, you can't predict it, everything would have to match up to be able to tell and you can't match anything up.

Mark Spillman stated he would have to make a decision whether the area would be safe for his children; not to sell out to move to the city but another place away from the wind farms.

Jenny stated for the record they should look at the cons.

Alan stated there would be significant problems for landowners if there was no zoning but Allen County has done zoning as a part of its comprehensive plan. Further, the wind farm criteria was developed over a period of over 6 months with multiple public hearings.

Patti asked if she could speak or if that was the conclusion of the hearing. She has letters with comments from her. They need to look at and determine if the planning board was reasonable without insulting the planning board. Commissioner's need to consider people living right next to the wind farms, EDP was able to present their case, did not cover what other options have been. They have been stewards of the land being connected to their area. They will live in the area adjacent to the wind farm Owners with smaller acreages may want to sell their property in this area! Look, flicker, flash, flash, flash- Waverly told them and they can't complain about it due to them contracting away their rights to complain – under contract they (EDP) could require them to testify for them in favor of the wind farms. She has way less faith in EDP because they wouldn't tell people how much the turbines cost or make. Some people are going to move and there is growing resentment over this wind farm project. Maybe even have direct health problems. Main thing is it is not a little zoning problem; there are thousands of acres, Commissioners don't know how much these landowners will be making; few actually live on their property where the wind farms are located.

Stevee stated that the distribution of the turbines is because they have set back regulations they have to follow.

Commissioner Daniels stated he has reviewed all the paper work and there are over 500 parcels and 70 landowners dealing with the wind farms; all of which will help supplement the farm income unlike rock quarries and pipelines that others deal with. Approve or disapprove, the zoning board made a recommendation to the county commission.

Patti stated by using the zoning the county does tell people what they can or can't do with their own property. She stated there was not enough outreach they should have included LaHarpe, Gas, and Iola in the notifications. The conversation was too narrow.

Chairman Talkington stated he would like to send it back to the planning board for more research on property values, land nearby, overhead lines.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve the recommendation by the planning board. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion. Chairman Talkington called for a vote: Commissioner Williams and Commissioner Daniels voted yea, Chairman Talkington voted nay.

Commissioners adjourned to reconvene in the commission room.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers -\$63,408.93
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry - #65

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until November 7, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

November 7, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams and Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk.

Robert Johnson, Iola Register, and Roy Smith, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 31, 2017.

Gary McIntosh, Foundation, Job Springer, SEK Mental Health, Cole Herder, Humboldt City Administrator and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, joined the meeting. Gary explained about the packet he had given commissioners. Job stated there are many different kinds of funds at the foundation. Gary discussed the environmental fund. He also explained matches. Gary asked that the commissioners consider contributing to the foundation. Kansas Healthcare Foundation makes matches. Allen County Regional Hospital has a foundation as well. It is a fund within the community foundation. Job explained this is the last opportunity for the county to put in money, a chance to make better earnings than elsewhere. Alan said it mutual funds. The earnings rate is about 5% right now. Gary said the county could have an individual investor for the money, in case someone asks why send it to Kansas City.

Terry Call, EMS Financial Director, joined the meeting.

Larry Walden, citizen, joined the meeting.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported he needs some grader tires before winter. He will have bids next week.

Mitch explained the old hangar will be worked on soon.

Sid Fleming, Iola City Administrator, Michael Burnett, Ambulance Director and Tim Thyer, Iola Fire joined the meeting. Michael discussed the EMS building project. He contacted four contractors for bids. Larry asked why a half bath. Tim and Michael explained. So far only one bid has come in from Cleavers. Alan said a formal RFP should be done and sent out to the contractors. Commissioner Daniels said a floor plan needs to be agreed on first. Commissioner Talkington mentioned City of Humboldt. Cole said he's waiting to see a footprint and get an idea for lot size needed. Commissioner Daniels asked about transferring current items from current station. Tim said some items would be transferred and kept. Commissioner Daniels stated he likes floor plan presented today. It needs to be kept simple, a turnkey building, contents to be hashed out later on. Cole said that \$132/square foot sounds high, but it does include a lot of features, such as heat & air, plumbing, etc. Cole discussed some options in Humboldt. Larry asked if builders locally have been asked about this building project. Cole said he'd be interested in knowing what the parking requirements will be as well. Commissioner Talkington said he agreed someone with building knowledge should be a part of this project. Sid pointed out those could potential bidders though. Cole said per Humboldt code, an engineer needs to sign off on projects. The next step is getting the RFP finalized.

Michael presented the 3rd Quarter review.

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk, joined the meeting.

Terry discussed billings and runs compared to 2016.

Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed the Federal Tax Bill pending in the house that eliminates bond refinancing and he wrote a letter to Lynn Jenkins suggesting to keep the sections out of this bill that attacks municipal interest.

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November 7, 2017

The Honorable Lynn Jenkins
1526 Longworth, House Office Building
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: Proposed Tax Cuts and Jobs Act H.R. 1 introduced by the Honorable Mr. Brady of Texas to the House Ways and Means Committee on November 2, 2017

Dear Representative Jenkins,

My name is Jim Talkington. I am a constituent and am the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas.

I am writing to strongly urge you to strike Section 3601 of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act which proposes to eliminate a broad category of tax-exempt bonds issued for the benefit of ALL charitable 501(c)(3) organizations (hospitals, colleges, schools, retirement communities, etc.) effective December 31, 2017. It also severely restricts the ability to use tax-exempt bonds to finance public infrastructure projects such as airports and utilities – even if owned by a State or municipality. Also eliminated are bonds for single family and rental housing, charter schools, manufacturing facilities, student loans and many public-private partnership financing structures.

The elimination of tax-exempt financing will force issuers and borrowers, like our organization, to pay higher borrowing costs to finance critical infrastructure projects which are cornerstones of the communities you represent. These higher borrowing costs likely will be passed on to users of the facilities that we finance with tax-exempt bonds.

These provisions will have the unintended consequence of harming your constituents by increasing costs for these public purpose projects.

In addition, and most important to Allen County at this time, I urge you to delete Section 3602 of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act which proposes to eliminate the ability to issue tax-exempt advance refunding bonds after December 31, 2017. For most organizations like ours, this proposal is secondary in importance to striking Section 3601, which will altogether eliminate our ability to issue tax-exempt bonds. However, if our ability to issue tax-exempt bonds is retained, preventing organizations like ours from refinancing our tax-exempt bonds by taking advantage of lower interest rates before our outstanding bonds can be called, will have significant negative financial consequences for our organization.

Currently, Allen County is working on an advance refunding issue for Allen County Regional Hospital which will result in long term savings of nearly \$2,000,000.00. These savings are essential for Allen County to continue to provide quality medical services to our rural area.

I would be happy to discuss this matter with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Jim Talkington, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
Allen County, Kansas

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Talkington sign. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sherrie discussed sick leave payout and longevity pay. Discussion followed on what other counties and state does. The discussion was tabled.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a. Clerks Vouchers - \$5,324.54
- b. Payroll Changes
- c. Clerks Journal Entry - #66-69

- d. Abatements: RE, Value 4682, \$643.40, Yr 2017
Oil, Value 16,788, \$2408.26, Yr 2017

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until November 14, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk

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OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

November 13, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in a special session at 9:00 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams, Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk/Election Official and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor for the purpose of canvassing the November 7, 2017 City/School General Election. Commissioner Jerry Daniels was absent.

Commissioners reviewed the election and found no discrepancies. They found Kent Goodner to be the City of Humboldt, Ward 1, position #3 winner of the write ins; Mark Peters, to be the City of Iola, Ward 4 winner of the write ins; Corliss Lynes to be the winner of the City of Moran council of the write ins; David Janssen and Richard Barnum of the City of Savonburg to the winners of the write ins; Alex Henderson won the coin toss between he and Danny Fewins for the City of Elsmore council seat; Jason Kegler won the write in position for USD #256; Jerad Larkey won the write in position for USD # 257, member district #5 seat.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until November 14, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Absent

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

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OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

November 14, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on November 7, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Roy Smith, Allen County Undersheriff, Mark and Virginia Peters, citizens, Tom Nevans, Veteran's Day Committee Representative, Bill Maness, Downtown Iola Christmas Planning Committee, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, Ron Holman, Allen County House and Grounds Director, and Larry Walden, citizen, were present to observe the meeting.

Tom Nevans, Veteran's Day Committee Representative, thanked the commission for use of the courtyard and courthouse; he also thanked Commissioner Daniels for speaking. Discussion followed.

Bill Maness, Downtown Iola Christmas Planning Committee, Dec. 1, planning a kick off for shopping season by doing a block party, carriage ride and other events. Please keep restrooms open until 8 p.m. that evening. Commissioners approved.

Bill mentioned there will be a Christmas parade on December 21, and a few other activities include a Ginger Bread walk and along with classes and prizes.

Chairman Talkington asked about the Comfort Suites plans. Bill stated planning is still in works; probably in the spring.

Chairman Talkington asked about G & W's opening. Bill stated a final date for G & W is planned to be on December 15, 2015. Discussion followed.

Sherrie explained Auto and Election pay compensation.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported Allen County was approved to do another bridge. Connecticut Road between 4800 to 5000 Streets; almost to the Bourbon County line. He requested Commission sign the request. The bridge is estimated around \$415,000 and Allen County's portion would be approximately \$90,000. Commissioner Williams moved to approve to sign the Kansas Department of Transportation – Bureau of Local Projects Project Programming Request to build. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch presented bids for grader tire bids. Bids were received from Fred's Treads, Chanute, KS for Michelin 14.00R24 – XGLA2 for \$1,225.00 times 24 tires equals \$29,400; J.D.'s Automotive, Iola, KS for Michelin 14.00R24 – XGLA2 for \$975.00 times 24 tires equals \$23,400; Cross Mid-West, Pittsburg, KS for Michelin 14.00R24 – XGLA2 for \$812.86.00 times 24 tires equals \$19,508.64; Allied Oil Tire Co., Joplin, MO for Michelin 14.00R24 – XGLA2 for \$800.00 times 24 tires equals \$19,200; and Eastside Tire, Humboldt, KS didn't bid. Discussion followed on when the tires could be delivered and how soon Mitch needed the tire. Chairman Talkington moved to accept Allied Oil Tire Co and installation by JD. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels asked about AWOS at the airport. It is down and Mitch is looking to get fixed but needs some supplies.

Mitch updated the commission on the progress of the airport hangers. They will work through the winter as possible and hope to finish in the spring.

Alan discussed the proposed letter to Senator Pat Roberts concerning a federal tax bill that is being proposed.

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November 14, 2017

The Honorable Senator Pat Roberts
109 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-1605

RE: Proposed Tax Reform

Dear Senator Roberts,

My name is Jim Talkington. I am a constituent and am the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas.

I am writing to strongly urge you to reject any portion of the proposed 2017 tax reform legislation which would eliminate a broad category of tax-exempt bonds issued for the benefit of ALL charitable 501(c)(3) organizations (hospitals, colleges, schools, retirement communities, etc.) effective December 31, 2017. I ask that you also reject any legislation which would restrict the ability to use tax-exempt bonds to finance public infrastructure projects such as airports and utilities.

The elimination of tax-exempt financing will force issuers and borrowers, like Allen County, to pay higher borrowing costs to finance critical infrastructure projects which are cornerstones of the communities you represent. These higher borrowing costs likely will be passed on to users of the facilities that we finance with tax-exempt bonds.

These provisions will have the unintended consequence of harming your constituents by increasing costs for these public purpose projects.

In addition, and most important to Allen County at this time, I ask you to please oppose any tax reform provisions which would eliminate the ability to issue tax-exempt advance refunding bonds after December 31, 2017. These advance refunding bonds are issued to take advantage of reduced interest rates and to save money for our local community. Our inability to issue tax-exempt advance refunding bonds to refinance outstanding bonds would have significant negative financial consequences for our county.

Currently, Allen County is working on an advance refunding issue for Allen County Regional Hospital which will result in long term savings of nearly \$2,000,000.00. These savings are essential for Allen County to continue to provide quality medical services to our rural area.

I would be happy to discuss this matter with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,
Jim Talkington, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Chairman Talkington sign. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Chairman Talkington signed the letter to Senator Pat Roberts

Alan requested refinancing bond documents and minutes and Resolution 201707.

**EXCERPT OF MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS
HELD ON NOVEMBER 14, 2017**

The Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Allen County, Kansas (the "County"), met in regular session at the usual meeting place in the County at the Iola Courthouse, Iola, Kansas at 10:00 a.m. The Chairman presided and the following members of the Board were present: Jim Talkington, Jerry Daniels and Tom Williams

The following members were absent: None

The Chairman declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Thereupon, there was presented a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 201707

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS TO ENTER INTO A SUPPLEMENTAL LEASE WITH THE ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION THEREOF AND CERTAIN RELATED DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE BY THE ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION OF ITS REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, (ALLEN COUNTY HOSPITAL PROJECT).

WHEREAS, the Allen County, Kansas Public Building Commission (the "Issuer") is a duly organized municipal corporation created by Allen County, Kansas (the "County"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted under K.S.A. 10-1201 *et seq.*, and K.S.A. 12-1757 *et seq.*, as amended and supplemented by Charter Resolution No. 201014 of the County, all as amended (collectively, the "Act"), the Issuer has issued and has outstanding its Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 (the "Series 2011 Bonds") and Revenue Bonds, Series 2012 (the "Series 2012 Bonds"), which Series 2011 Bonds and Series 2012 Bonds provided funds to construct, furnish and equip a new Allen County Hospital (the Hospital, as constructed, together with the Land thereon collectively referred to as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has issued and has outstanding its Taxable Revenue Bonds, Series 2013 for the purpose of providing working capital for the Project (the Series 2011 Bonds, Series 2012 Bonds and Series 2013 Bonds herein referred to as the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the issuer has leased the Project to the County under a Lease dated as of December 1, 2011, as supplemented by a First Supplemental Lease, dated as of May 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Refunded Bonds were issued pursuant to a Bond Trust Indenture, dated as of December 11, 2011 (the "Original Indenture") by and between the Issuer and Security Bank of Kansas City as successor Trustee to UMB Bank, n.a., as supplemented by a First Supplemental Bond Indenture, dated as of May 01, 2013 (the "First Supplemental Bond Indenture"); and

WHEREAS, as of the date of the adoption of this Resolution, certain provisions in proposed federal legislation (the "Tax Legislation") may prevent the Issuer and the County from realizing certain economic efficiencies by the future issuance of refunding bonds; and

WHEREAS, in order to maximize the County's opportunity to realize such economic efficiencies by the issuance of the Issuer's refunding bonds, the County finds it necessary and advisable to provide the Issuer with additional flexibility regarding the timing and structure of the issuance of its refunding bonds, such timing and structure as may be dictated by the final form and passage of the Tax Legislation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Original Indenture and K.S.A. 10-116a, the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") does hereby find and determine it desirable to request the Issuer to issue its Revenue Refunding Bonds (such refunding bonds as may be issued defined as the "Refunding Bonds" and together with the Series 2011 Bonds, Series 2012 Bonds, and Series 2013 Bonds, collectively referred to as the "Bonds"), in one or more series, for the purpose of paying the costs of refunding the Refunded Bonds as more fully set forth in one or more Supplemental Bond Indentures prescribing the form and details of such Refunding Bonds, the execution of the purchase agreements for such Refunding Bonds being subject to the satisfaction of the conditions stated herein and the execution of such Supplemental Bond Indentures being subject to the conditions stated in the Issuer's resolution authorizing the issuance of such Refunding Bonds, which conditions shall be identical to the conditions stated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby determines that it is in the best interest of the County that the County and the Issuer to enter into a Second Supplemental Lease (the Second Supplemental Lease, together with the Original Lease and First Supplemental Lease referred to collectively as the "Lease") pursuant to which the County will continue to lease the Project from the Issuer upon the terms and conditions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the Board further finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable in connection with the issuance of the Refunding Bonds that the County execute and deliver certain documents and that the County take certain other actions as herein provided;

WHEREAS, the Allen County Hospital (the "Hospital") is operated by the Board of Trustees of Allen County Hospital (the "Hospital Board") as provided in K.S.A. 19-4601 *et seq.*, and the Hospital Board will have responsibility for collection and application of the revenues generated from operation of the Hospital; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Board and the Hospital Board to continue providing for rental payments under the Lease in part from such revenues, to the extent that there are available moneys after making provision for payment of the ordinary and necessary operating expenses of the Hospital; and

WHEREAS, it is further the intention of the Board and the Hospital Board to continue providing for the rental payments in part from the proceeds of a portion of a one-half of one percent (.50%) City-wide retailers' sales tax (the "City Sales Tax") approved by the voters of the City of Iola, Kansas (the "City") and pledged to the Hospital Board to assist in paying the costs of the Project, including debt service on the unrefunded portions of the Series 2011 Bonds and Series 2012 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is further the intention of the Board and the Hospital Board to continue providing for the rental payments in part from the proceeds of a one-quarter of one percent (.25%) County-wide retailers' sales tax (the "County Sales Tax") approved by the voters of the County for the purpose of paying costs of the Project, including debt service on the Bonds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Findings and Determinations. The Board hereby finds and determines that, pursuant to the Act and K.S.A. 10-116a: (i) continuing to lease the Project from the Issuer under the terms and provisions set forth in the Lease; and (ii) the issuance of the Refunding Bonds in one or more series by the Issuer to pay the costs to refund the Refunded bonds and pay costs of issuance thereof, are necessary, convenient and in furtherance of the governmental purposes of the County. The Refunding Bonds may be issued in one or more series, the interest on which may be taxable for federal income tax purposes.

SECTION 2. Authorization of Documents. The following documents are hereby approved in substantially the forms presented to and reviewed by the Board at this meeting and attached to this Resolution (copies of which documents shall be filed in the records of the County), and the County is hereby authorized to execute and deliver each of such documents (the "County Documents") with such changes therein as shall be approved by the officials of the County executing such documents, such officials' signatures thereon being conclusive evidence of their approval and the County's approval thereof:

(a) Second Supplemental Lease under which the Issuer will lease its interest in the Project to the County and will make the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds available

to the County for the purposes herein described, in consideration of rental payments that will be sufficient to pay the principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds;

(b) Bond Purchase Agreement, pursuant to which UMB Bank, n.a., Kansas City, Missouri, agrees to purchase a series or multiple series of Refunding Bonds;

(c) Continuing Disclosure Agreement among the County, the Hospital Board and the Trustee, as Dissemination Agent;

(d) Preliminary Official Statement.

SECTION 3. Execution of Documents. The Chairman is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the County Documents for and on behalf of and as the act and deed of the County. The County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest, by manual or facsimile signature, to the County Documents and such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Chairman is authorized to execute and deliver the respective bond purchase agreement for any series or multiple series of Refunding Bonds only if the following criteria are met: (a) the true interest cost of any series of Refunding Bonds shall not exceed 4.25% and (b) the final maturity of any series of Refunding Bonds shall not extend beyond the calendar year 2036.

SECTION 4. Official Statement. The proposed form of the Preliminary Official Statement ("Preliminary Official Statement"), relating to the Refunding Bonds, in substantially the form as presented to the Board as of the date hereof, the final Official Statement, in substantially the form of the Preliminary Official Statement with such changes and additions thereto as are necessary to conform to and describe the transaction, and any supplement to the Preliminary Official Statement and to the Official Statement are hereby approved, and the public distribution of the same by the Purchaser is hereby approved for use in connection with the sale of the Refunding Bonds. The Chairman is hereby authorized on behalf of the County to certify to the Purchaser that the Preliminary Official Statement is deemed final by the County within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission except for the omission of such information as is permitted by Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), and the appropriate officers of the County are hereby authorized, if requested, to take such other actions or execute such other documents as such officers in their reasonable judgment deem necessary to enable the Purchaser to comply with the requirements of such Rule.

SECTION 5. Further Authority. The County shall, and the officials, agents and employees of the County are hereby authorized and directed to, take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments, including, without limitation, any credit enhancement and security documents, arbitrage certificate, redemption notices, closing certificates and tax forms, as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution, and to carry out, comply with and perform the duties of the County with respect to the Bonds and the County Documents.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately after its adoption by the Board.

The Resolution was considered and discussed; and on motion of Commissioner Daniels, seconded by Commissioner Williams, the Resolution as a whole was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 3

Nay: 0

Thereupon, a majority of the members of the Board of County Commissioners having voted in favor of the adoption of the Resolution, it was given Resolution No. 201707 and was signed by the Commissioners and attested by the County Clerk.

Alan explained what savings the bond change will be for Allen County Regional Hospital. Discussion followed.

Alan consider the 911 Advisory board recommendation to make policy changes on Fire Departments.

Dear Board of County Commissioners,

November 13, 2017

The Allen County 911 Advisory Board would like to bring a problem regarding some of the rural fire departments to your attention. We have been talking at great length about an ongoing problem with some of the rural fire departments *not responding to calls, not acknowledging pages, refusing to put fires out across the jurisdictional boundary line, not having enough personnel to respond to a fire*, and the liability surrounding these issues as presented for the 911 Center.

In addition to many of us witnessing these events, the 911 Center has documented incidents were all of these things listed above have occurred on more than one occasion by at least three of the rural fire departments. We are of the opinion that this negligence is creating not only hardship for the 911 Center but also unnecessary liability. The 911 Director's attempts to communicate with the rural dept. about these concerns have failed and the 911 Advisory Board feels a policy change is in order.

After conducting some outreach in the immediate area, it is our recommendation that **immediately following a page for assistance if the fire department doesn't acknowledge the page within 2 minutes that the 911 Center will re-page that department along with the next closest neighboring fire department.** This might result in two different agencies responding to the fire but waiting any longer is unacceptable especially if the fire is threatening life or livestock.

We are of the understanding that the 911 Center can't put this policy in place due to geographical restraints enforced by tax dollars therefore on behalf of the 911 Director and the 911 Center as a whole the 911 Advisory Board would like to ask the BOCC to enforce such a policy that will help ensure the best possible outcome for all Allen County Citizens.

While a common practice known as automatic aid has been identified in many areas we realize that is one giant step for Allen County and feel confident the proposed change above will have the necessary impact.

In addition, we think it is reasonable if a fire department is going to be out of town and not have enough personnel to respond to a fire page that they either a) **find a replacement to be on call for their area** b) **notify dispatch that they are out of service** so that valuable time isn't wasted trying to find someone by phone to acknowledge and respond to the page. In the event a department is out of service the next closest neighboring dept. would be utilized.

This policy change will have far-reaching benefits. It promotes continuing collaboration and demonstrates that the 911 Center is doing everything within reason to garner a quick and efficient fire response. It benefits the citizens who pay for fire service and seems like a good use of local tax dollars.

It is not our intent to bring negative attention to the dedicated men and women that serve in the capacity of fireman. We understand and empathize that the rural fire departments are made up of selfless volunteers that risk their own safety to ensure others. Therefore, we would ask that we handle this discreetly so as not to have any unintentional consequences. If the BOCC approves this request we would like County Counselor Alan Weber to work with the 911 Director to send the fire departments a letter about the policy change so that they know and understand this policy has teeth.

Should this require additional conversation we will gladly send a spokesperson to the meeting but again would like to be respectful of the delicate nature and have no intent to identify the fire departments in public.

Respectfully,



Chief Ryan S. Smith
911 Advisory Board Chairman

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 9:03 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:13 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 9:14 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:24 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 9:25 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:35 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners discussed sick leave payout for employees that have over 720 hours of sick.

Commissioner Williams asked about monies for the Allen County Foundation. Discussion followed. No action was taken.

Larry Walden told commission Joe Hess isn't in charge any longer at the Lola Senior Center, Inc.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 30 minutes for the purpose for Homeland Security. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Daniel Creitz, 31st Judicial District Court Chief Judge, Dina Morrison, 31st Chief Court Clerk, Roy Smith, Allen County

Undersheriff, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:45 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:15 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for the purpose for Homeland Security. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Daniel Creitz, 31st Judicial District Court Chief Judge, Dina Morrison, 31st Chief Court Clerk, Roy Smith, Allen County Undersheriff, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 10:15 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 10:25 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioners discussed upcoming meeting stating EDP will be at the next commission meeting and meetings after that they need to discuss ambulance stations.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, stated the commission should think they should consider a mini Works Project Administration (WPA) project for Allen County.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$229,250.27
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entries #70-72
- d) Abatements: RE, Value 54,771, \$8,117.66, Yr 2017

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until November 21, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

November 21, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Sherrie L Riebel, Allen County Clerk, Larry Walden, county citizen and John Fewins, county citizen was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the November 14, 2017 meeting.

Ron Holman, House & Grounds Director, joined the meeting. Commissioner Talkington asked Ron about the Christmas lights and who meters them. If the City pays for such, they don't want them to run 24 hours a day, so Tracy Keagle has asked about timers on the lights. \$637 from Home Depot was an amount for timers that Tracy told Commissioner Talkington about. Commissioner Williams reported on his discussion with Ron and Tracy on the timer and light subject. Commissioner Williams doesn't feel timers are needed. Commissioner Daniels stated if the City of Iola wants to request assistance paying the electric bill for lights, they can do so.

Commissioner Talkington asked about how much land the county owns behind the 911 center. He said there has been a request about placing recycling containers at such location. Commissioner Daniels asked if cardboard is being collected there now. Clerk Riebel said she thought that was the case. Commissioners asked Ron to look into the location.

Carla Nemecek, Southwind Extension Director, presented commissioners with an update. She discussed the Master Gardener program and what they've accomplished. Stay Strong, Stay Healthy is a program done by the Extension. 4H Officer Training is an asset as well. Carla reported Jerry Middendorf is in the process of soliciting bids for work on all the fair buildings, they

will then select which one can actually be worked on first. It is a phase type of project, as they will have to save up for awhile to complete. Frontier Farm Credit donated money as to match grant money. Commissioner Daniels asked about bleachers. She said those are on the list as well. Summer 2018 will be the 125th year for the Allen County Fair.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, said he'd like to get a new grader at some point. He's thinking maybe a three year lease on one. This would be for a new grader. Commissioner Williams asked for some numbers on that. He said they currently have some graders that are 13-15 years old. He would trade one in that's 15 years old. Mitch explained the lease process; make two payments, the final payment would buy it.

Mr. Walden asked about gravel expected at the Senior Citizen lot on North Jefferson. Commissioner Williams said they may have talked about this, he asked Mitch to take care of it. Mr. Walden also asked about gravel for the North State Center. Alan said there are restrictions on the parking lot, boundaries need to be looked at. He has that information to check into.

Commissioner Daniels reported that one of the grader operators had a nice visit with him.

Alan Weber, County Counselor reported on the hospital bond finance. He attended a meeting at the hospital concerning this. The second half of the bond may have to be sold this year too and turned into "Cinderella" bonds. Hopefully save \$1.8 million on this. Congress is looking for revenue.

Alan discussed the agreement regarding the EDP. They'll show specifically the roads that will be used and what will need to be done to them. Mitch as Public Works Director is deemed the Road Manager in the agreement. The pilot payment will be due at the end of the year that the project starts. It's being proposed to pay it all in December.

Rorik Peterson and Steve Kennard joined the meeting. Rorik said phases are not currently their intention. The bulk of construction would be summer of 2018. Commissioner Talkington asked about when payments start. Alan passed out the agreement to commissioners. Commissioner Williams wants it in stone how this money should be used...educational purposes such as the vo-tech building in Allen County. He also stated the school districts should be able to come to the County and this money should be there if it's needed. Commissioner Talkington stated he felt the same way about education being the most important. Rorik said there has been initial discussion with vo-tech and school districts where this has been done before in Cloud County. Commissioner Daniels said we are fortunate to be able to tap into another resource in the county, with the EDP and wind farm. This will be a benefit to the tech center. Commissioner Williams asked that a Resolution be adopted to state the intent of this. Alan passed out papers to be signed today by commission. Commissioner Williams moved to accept and sign the proposal for the start up. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. The county will have signed. Rorik will take for their people to sign. Commissioner Daniels asked when landowners will see benefits. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Williams shared that Alan Weber won the coveted Donna Talkington award from Thrive for the shining example of how people volunteer and do good work for Allen County. The award is named after Commissioner Talkington's mother.

Rorik reported there will be 56-60 turbines. It's possible more would be added later, but currently there are no plans to expand. Due to the conditional use permit, they have boundaries in which to build turbines. Rorik said the turbines should operate every day, at least 98-99% of the time.

Rorik commented due to the tax bill, modifications to the tax credit, it was discussed how this could impact the project. That is why so much needs to get done yet this year to demonstrate physical effort. Steve stated a map has been given to all the landowners to get their input. Commissioner Daniels asked about concrete usage and the local sources. The general contractor will be given this information. Commissioner Talkington asked if local contractors can call Rorik and Steve. They stated yes definitely.

Clerk Riebel reported what was the city's electricity and what was the county's on the square; all the gray pedestal electric fixtures are metered through the City, as well as the clock and the

bandstand. All other light fixtures that shine on the south side of the courthouse are metered through the County.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor and Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk. The time is now 9:32 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:42 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Talkington reported on a phone call he received about Allen County contributing to the Coffey County Honor Flights. Commissioner Daniels moved to contribute \$1000, Commissioner Williams seconded. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Williams moved to give a bonus of \$200 to all employees, those with 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 year anniversaries will get \$275, Commissioner Daniels seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers -\$17,159.10
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry - #
- d) Abatements: RE Value 261, \$717.84, Year 2017
PP Value 90, \$17.34, Year 2015
PP Value 643,093, \$114,486.86, Year 2016
PP Value 124,134, \$22,605.96, Year 2017
TR Value 72, \$5.76, Year 2017
Oil Value 4506, \$648.94, Year 2017
Gas Value 4983, \$702.86, Year 2017
Special Assessment, \$276.42, Year 2017

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until November 28, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

November 28, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams and Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk.

Robert Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Larry Walden, citizen, Mark Peters, Iola City Councilman-elect, Virginia Peter, citizen and Tom Ellis, artist, was present to observe the meeting.

Mr. Ellis presented a typed proposal "For Consideration of an Art Installation at the Intersection of Highways 169 & 54, east of Iola, KS. He suggests the art installation be inside the clover leaf formed by the on/off ramps. The structure should be tall enough to be seen from a distance on Hwy 169, by north and south bound traffic and by people on Hwy 54. Chairman Talkington asked Mr. Ellis for some time to review his landmark idea. He also asked about how Mr. Ellis thought this would be paid for. Mr. Ellis suggested money in the general fund, he's estimating \$250,000. - \$500,000.00 to build this structure. Mr. Ellis left his name, address and phone number for Commissioners to contact when they've had more time to review his plans.

Mr. Peters presented census numbers for Allen County. He has talked to employers in Allen County and asked how many employees they have and if they have any job openings. He

reported on services provided in Allen County as well as any big projects happening, wind farms and highway closures were items he mentioned.

Mitch Garner, Public Works Director, reported on an incident this morning. A truck hit a deer this morning on the highway and there was a crude oil spill. This happened around 2:00 a.m.

Alan Weber, County Counselor joined the meeting. He reported on Longevity Pay proposal. He stated rather than give more hours to employees, consider a bonus. No action taken.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, and Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor. The time is now 8:50 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:55 a.m. No action was taken.

Sheriff Murphy discussed longevity.

Alan opened up the hearing for the alley closing at 9:00 a.m. Mary and Dennis Wade, Marcelle Miller, Bonita Baker and Harvey Lynn Vaughn, land owners, were present for the hearing. Commissioner Daniels asked if anyone is opposed to closing the alley. Mrs. Baker said she and her husband are opposed. They use the alley to take their dog for a walk. She stated the traffic through Petrolia is ridiculous. She requested a traffic study be done on Main Street, which is the road through Petrolia. Commissioner Williams asked if the Bakers couldn't still use the alley to walk their dog. Commissioner Daniels said there's not much choice since the other end of the alley has already been vacated. It is a dead end. Chairman Talkington reviewed the opinions of those in attendance. Commissioner Williams moved to vacate the portion of alley not already vacated. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Sheriff Murphy stated he has something to present to the commissioners after the first of the year for the "wish list".

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a. Clerks Vouchers - \$53,384.06
- b. Payroll Changes
- c. Clerks Journal Entry - #73

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until December 5, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

December 5, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams, Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk and Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the November 21 and November 28, 2017 meetings.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Alan Weber, County Counselor and Larry Walden, citizen, joined the meeting.

Dennis and Angela Lushbaugh joined the meeting. Mr. Lushbaugh discussed the disappearance of his son. He went over the details of the case. He feels the investigation has not been taken seriously. He asked about the involvement of the KBI and are all the possible resources being utilized. Commissioner Williams stated he understands Mr. Lushbaugh's feelings. Mrs. Lushbaugh commented getting information on the status of the investigation is next to impossible. Sheriff Murphy explained some of what has been done up to this point.

Commissioner Williams suggested we not get into the investigation in an open meeting. There may be things the family is not being told for a reason. Perhaps there is a better way for the Lushbaugh's to be updated. Commissioner Talkington stated he has full faith in our Sheriff's Department and they are working on the case to the fullest extent.

Terry Call, EMS Financial Director, joined the meeting.

Clerk Riebel presented the commissioners with a Certificate of Appreciation for Farm City Days, brought in by Aaron Franklin.

Clerk Riebel told the commissioners about a memorial donation to the Meals on Wheels program.

Clerk Riebel reported Representatives Thompson and Lusker have been invited to the December 19 commission meeting.

Clerk Riebel requested a hearing to amend the budget for the ambulance fund needs to be requested. \$832,481.00 has been paid to the City of Iola year to date. \$163,211.00 is current cash right now. Clerk Riebel doesn't feel any more cash needs to be put in to the fund, but the budget needs to be amended up to \$630,480.00. It would have to be published ten days prior to the hearing, which is set for Dec 19. Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Daniels, motion passed 3-0-0.

Clerk Riebel reported The Services to the Elderly new van will be delivered today. Discussion followed.

Commissioners discussed the meeting for December 29, 2017, will be at 1:30 p.m. for not only yearend but regular meeting since there is no meeting on December 26, 2017 due to it being a holiday.

Clerk Riebel discussed longevity for employees. A suggested letter was explained. The commissioners reviewed the example letter. Employees could choose between getting additional hours or a one-time payout for the additional hours. One day for every four years is the proposal. This could be an option every December if approved. Commissioner Williams moved to accept the proposed Longevity letter and it is final decision by employee to be done annually in December, Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners stated December 29, 2017 will be a normal work day for employees.

Debbie Bearden, Market Manager for GROW and Kathy McEwan, Calvin Parker, GROW Food and Farm Council members joined the meeting. Kathy updated the commission on what the Grow Council has been working on. They need to appoint new persons to serve on the GROW Food and Farm Council. Kathy requested the commission appoint Debbie Bearden, Jessica McGinnis and Levi Meiwes to serve on the GROW council to fill vacancies. Levi would be the junior representative. Discussion followed on serving on the council and new policy procedures. 1. Farmer's Market Expansion 2. Healthy Menu Item with locally owned restaurants in Iola, 3. Healthy Vending items throughout Allen County. This will be the 3rd year for implementation grant. Kathy explained each item in detail. They are working along with the Moran Grocery Store (Food Coop). Debbie explained what a new grant for GROW Food and Farm Council would be towards a mobile truck. They are working toward autonomy. Commissioner Daniels moved to appoint Debbie Bearden, Jessica McGinnis and Levi Meiwes to serve on the GROW council. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0

Debbie announced she had received word from Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City that Allen County GROW Food and Farm Council has received a 2018 grant for \$31,405. Commissioners congratulated her. Calvin wanted to thank the commission for all their participation. He wants to see it continue since it has taken off so well. He stated they need younger vendors to participate. Discussion followed. Debbie explained the "Double Up" program.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, requested signatures on the Hospital Bond, Commissioner Daniels moved to authorize Chairman Talkington sign. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed the new law proposed by Federal government concerning refinancing bonds. Alan explained what it means to Allen County over 10 years.

Alan discussed the amended windfarm road agreement. He explained they are wanting to get going so it helps them with the Federal government laws. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Daniels seconded. Discussion followed. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan presented Resolution 201708 for signatures.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201708
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS,

A RESOLUTION VACATING A CERTAIN SECTION OF ALLEY LOCATED
WITHIN ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas has proposed to vacate a certain section of platted but unimproved alley, pursuant to K.S.A. 68-102a, described as follows:

An undeveloped alley lying between Lots (13) through (18), Block (6), Petrolia, Kansas (on the East) and Lots (1), (2) and (3), Block (6) Petrolia (on the West).

WHEREAS, notice of said proposed vacation has been given by the County Clerk as required by K.S.A. 68-102a, and that the adjacent landowners have agreed to the vacation and the landowners to the south have entered an objection thereto which is heard by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has found and determined that said alley is not a public utility by reason of non-development, non-use and inconvenience and that the necessity for said alley as a public utility does not justify the expenditure of the necessary funds to develop and to keep the same in condition for public travel, and said vacation consists of less than two consecutive miles, as required by statute;

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS That the following tract be and is hereby vacated:

An undeveloped alley lying between Lots (13) through (18), Block (6), Petrolia, Kansas (on the East) and Lots (1), (2) and (3), Block (6) Petrolia (on the West).

All public utilities rights-of-way and easements for public service which may be in existence along said alley are preserved.

That the County Clerk shall cause a certified copy of this resolution to be filed and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Allen County, Kansas.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED at their regular meeting on the 28th day of November, 2017 and signed December 5th, 2017.

This Resolution was actually approved last week at the meeting but signed this week.

Alan discussed the PILOT agreement proposed by Rorik Peterson for

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017__
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS,

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE USE OF PILOT PROCEEDS RECEIVED
FROM THE PRAIRIE QUEEN WIND FARM

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas has entered into a Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement with Prairie Queen Wind Farm, LLC dated November __, 2017 and anticipates receiving \$250,000.00 per year beginning on or before December 31, 2020 and continuing for 10 years until the wind farm project becomes taxable under Kansas Law; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of County Commissioners believe that the highest and best use of said PILOT funds would be to enhance educational opportunities within Allen County by supporting the local Vocational Technology center and the local school districts;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS that all proceeds from the PILOT agreement referred to above be and hereby shall be allocated by the Board of County Commissioners, from year to year, to the local Vocational Technology center at LaHarpe and to School Districts 256, 257 and 258 in Allen County for projects enhancing the educational opportunities of Allen County students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the allocation of amounts payable to each entity will be determined each year by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners after said proceeds are received.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED at their regular meeting on the ___ day of December, 2017.

No action was taken at this time. Commissioners discussed tweaks and changes toward this resolution. Discussion followed about funding.

Commissioner Williams moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege on pending suit. Commissioner Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 9:40 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 9:45 a.m. No action was taken.

Representative Kent Thompson joined the meeting.

Commissioner Daniels discussed an article in the Humboldt Union last week concerning Fire Departments. He stated he had received several calls concerning the letter. The five fire departments will be writing a letter to the commission in response to the letter. Question was asked if there was any way to go to a county wide fire district. Discussion followed. Sheriff Murphy stated some districts call it automatic calls instead of mutual aid. Representative Thompson stated there was a state wide fire study done in 2005.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers –11/30/17-\$392,875.44 & 12/5/17-\$16,087.70
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerk's Journal Entries: 74-75
- d) Abatements: RE Value 3286, \$468.04, Year 2017
PP Value 119, \$18.14, Year 2016
PP Value 16249, \$2821.54, Year 2017
TR Value 3733, \$494.32, Year 2017

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until December 12, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

Jill Allen, Deputy County Clerk

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

December 12, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Robert Johnson, Iola Register, Roy Smith, Allen County Undersheriff, and Larry Walden, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Commissioners reviewed the request for artwork at the intersection of US Hwy 54 and US Hwy 169 and declined to get involved at this time.

Sherrie asked if the commission needed anything to make a decision on raises. Commissioners stated no, there was nothing.

Sherrie asked if the commission would consider approving wellness health fair blood draw on January 24th and 25th. Chairman Talkington moved to approve participation with Interactive Health and to approve Sherrie to coordinate. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Gary McIntosh, citizen and Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, joined the meeting.

Larry Walden discussed Area Agency on Aging. He reported on a letter from the committee reporting they had hired an attorney to be used if the state doesn't fully fund their services. Larry was the only person on the committee to decline AAA to hire an attorney. Discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, reported the bridge south of California on 600 will open today after lunch.

Mitch requested to roll over 66 vacation hours for himself. Commissioners approved to be used within 6 months.

Commissioner Daniels moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0. Those in the room will be Chairman Talkington, Commissioner Daniels, Commissioner Williams, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk. The time is now 8:45 a.m. Commissioners reconvened at 8:50 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve longevity to include following the KPER's rule of 1,000 hours. Motion drops due to lack of second motion.

Mitch and Cole reported KDOT will be doing Kansas Hwy 169 between lola and Humboldt and bridge repair south of Humboldt. Discussion followed. Commissioners requested Mitch to contact KDOT and have KDOT come give a report.

Bill Maness, Thrive Allen County, joined the meeting.

Karen Gilpin, Betty and Ed Miller, Gary McIntosh, Dan Johnson, Patricia A Fail, and Janie Works joined the meeting. Karen discussed the Rotary Club recycling of newspapers and magazines since 1995. They have received \$55,000 over the years from Wellsville; \$39,000 is going back to local organizations. They are doing the paper drive every other month at this time. Discussion followed. Committee looked at what and where to do with recycling. They need a place to go since every other month is not an option. Steve Strickler has been bringing cattle trailer for collecting glass and plastic. He is paying for his gas to haul recyclables to Ottawa to turn in. Plastic bags cannot go into the paper trailer, so they are using boxes and then the cardboard is being bailed at Humboldt; courteous of B & W.

lola Rotarian's are applying for a Solid Waste grant; asking for up to 25,000 and need participation from the county. The county has to have a Solid Waste Plan to qualify for this grant. The county has to work with lola Rotary on this plan. They are looking at renting a facility, north of Family Physicians as a collection point. Currently this building has dirt floors and will need rock put on the floor. They have been working with Tri Valley to have someone work a couple days a week and there to make sure persons leave the items in the correct bins. Grant is due Friday. They need a county solid waste plan, which the county has and a letter from the commission. Commissioner Williams moved to approve Chairman Talkington to sign a letter. Commissioner Daniels seconded. Discussion followed on recycling bins and collection of cans. Commissioners stated they will visit with Mitch about making more trips. Karen stated Humboldt might tie into it. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, discussed a project he has been working on in Humboldt. He presented information to the commission and reviewed:

Industrial Park Utility Extension
December 8, 2017

Background:

In the 1970s, HUGRO, Humboldt Community Growth, Inc., purchased land north of Humboldt for industrial development, where B&W and Humboldt Industries now exist. To continue their mission towards industrial growth of Humboldt, they purchased a 24.8-acre tract of land northeast of Humboldt about two years ago. The land (recently cut corn field) is on the north side of Hawaii Road, east of the Mt. Hope Cemetery drive.

Industrial Development:

In September 2017, HUGRO was informed that a national construction equipment dealer network was interested in locating a regional service center in southeast Kansas, specifically, in Humboldt. The company is anticipating the initial development of approximately 5 acres with an option for 5 more acres in the future. They would initially employ 3 to 5 employees, and within 10 years, employ 10 to 12.

An agreement to purchase the property from HUGRO is in place, pending a contingency of utility extension from the City of Humboldt to the property. The City will annex the property and the development qualify for the Neighborhood Revitalization program. The company would like to start site preparation and construction in early 2018.

Utility Extension:

The utility extension of gas, water, and sewer of approximately one-half mile is going to be a challenge. The City has investigated options and associated costs. BG Consultants was contracted to study and provide a report. The plan is robust enough to accommodate the new business as well as future commercial, industrial, and residential development.

Funding:

The City is researching funding options.

Submitted by:
Cole Herder, City Administrator

Cole discussed an agreement for the Industrial Park Utilities Extension. These individuals would like to be annexed into the City of Humboldt. BG Consultants estimate \$675,000 to complete all that is needed to get the area ready for this company. Cole discussed an EDA Grant (U.S. Economic Development Administration). The CBDG is probably not an opportunity for Humboldt. Discussion followed on area and other items. Cole was approved to submit a proposal phase and by his city council. He is not asking for anything but would like to know where the commission stands and/or feels about it. The company wants to start building in the spring. Commissioner Daniels stated he is open to the idea and especially if the area is ideal for an ambulance station. He asked Bill Maness if he had any ideas. Bill stated he could visit with EDA and see if there is anyway expediting this project. Cole explained the history of the land. This company is fully committed to building. The only thing is if the utilities don't come through. The company will be a growing company. Cole discussed employment and acreage. He discussed types of companies and expectations and usages. Humboldt has \$600,000 in reserves. Chairman Talkington expressed concerns if the monies could be used that have been allocated towards Economic Development. There is budget and cost available. Commissioner Daniels stated they would be open to giving money to establish utilities in the area for future building. Discussion followed. Larry Walden asked if this is cash or service in kind. Cole stated it would be handled grant wise with Davis Bacon wages. Commissioner Daniels stated the county would be able to put in a drive way or two. Cole explained he could try stripping out the services the City of Humboldt and Allen County can do. There is 20 acres and the company would like to reserve 10 acres. \$335,000 is a commitment needed by the county. If this is done by the county, would Cole still look for more commitment but still be able to go forward. Larry stated all these gentlemen were looking at a commitment towards an ambulance station and if the commission were to commit these dollars it would be more useful for future than spending it on a station. Bill will continue to see if there are other areas he can help for this grant. Chairman Talkington stated it is over and above the Economic Development monies. Commissioners will take under consideration for a week. Cole is on the agenda for 8:30 a.m.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed Mid America Inc. moving to SEK Regional Planning Commission. Chairman Talkington discussed the need to reallocate an employee if SEKRPC took over SEK INC. It is a multi-county decision just needing input. Dennis Arnold announced his resignation as January 31, 2018. SEKRPC Committee asked Chris Marple to take over as in interim. Chairman Talkington discussed changes to that position when filling the position. He will be chair of the committee for 2018.

Alan discussed Allen County Regional Hospital Trustees. He stated he does not have appointees at this time. Discussion followed. Hospital Trustees are asked to serve for 3-year terms and limited to two terms.

Alan explained the market settled down and Hospital bonds were sold so the county will be saving \$1.5 million on the current bonds. Discussion followed on hospital finances and what congress is doing to rural hospitals.

Larry asked if anything was going on with the proposed doctor's clinic. Alan stated no, the hospital is still trying to stabilize finances.

Chairman Talkington discussed the medical arts building and the driveway/parking. Should it be fixed? Alan will review the area.

Commissioners discussed G&W's opening date in lola and Dollar General's opening in Gas.

Robert Johnson, lola Register asked about the Economic Development Incentive Board and applications.

Commissioners discussed raises but took no action.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers - \$84,247.41
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerks Journal Entry - #76-77
- d) Abatements: PP Value 834, \$144.14, Year 2017
Oil Value 22,539, \$3,264.90, Year 2017

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until December 19, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

December 19, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams and Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on December 12, 2017.

Bob Johnson, Iola Register, Bill Maness, Thrive Economic Development Director, Roy Smith, Allen County Undersheriff, Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, and Larry Walden, citizen, were present to observe the meeting.

Cole Herder, City of Humboldt Administrator, discussed the utility expansion east of Humboldt. He reported he has received letters of intention and is still looking for grants to help out. Commissioner Williams asked if Cole had looked to see if there is anyway of cutting back so cost is lower. Cole said the principal owner stated they look at 80% costs. Cole discussed drop by foot of land for utility costs. They need to have 7-man holes at \$7,000 per manhole. They have planned loops in gas and water lines so that utilities are able to be cut off at any given area. If Cole could cut the costs, the grants would make the costs higher. Fully engineered by grants, but costs would be lower if grants are not used. Discussion followed. Commissioner Daniels asked if Cole was 100% sure the company intends to come. Both intent letters state the City of Humboldt will provide utilities to the area. County would be intent on getting the grant. Commissioner Daniels asked if Thrive would reach out to help. Bill stated yes, but Cole said that Susan at SEKRPC is helping with available CBDG grants. Cole discussed other funding and those grants are a year away thing, or loans at 3%. CBDG grant is 30 days application and 120 days presented? Owner says that they can use phases to build. Chairman Talkington moved to approve up to 50% of the funding to help Humboldt extend utilities to the new industrial park, contingent on grant availability. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

George Holly asked the commission if they would be interested in having him cut walnut trees on county property. He has finished on Don Diebolt property. He has a saw mill business.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed leasing a 2018 Caterpillar 12M3AWDX Motor Grader from Foley Equipment. The selling price is \$291,552.68 less gross trade allowance \$42,000.00 for 140 hours 1998 Caterpillar (AA). Commissioners and Mitch discussed the different lease options; 3 years or 5 years. Commissioner Daniels moved to approved the lease purchase contract for 3 years for \$85,676.12, contingent on the counselor's review. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Mitch reported the crusher is currently down. The crusher is 26 years old and the radiator has gone out of it. They are looking for a replacement radiator and keeping an eye open for a crusher.

Commissioners reviewed and discussed the 2018 Guardian Ad Litem and 2018 Adult Misdemeanor contracts presented from Charles H. Apt III. They are higher than 2017 but case have increased significantly. Commissioner Williams moved to approve both 2018 contracts. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Talkington opened the Budget Hearing. He reported the budget amendment for the ambulance fund has officially been published. There is cash to cover the new budgeted amount. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Ben Alexander, Thrive for Market, Bill Maness, Thrive Economic Development Director, Larry Manes, Mary Ann Buller, Debbie Bearden, GROW Allen County, and Sandra Drake, Allen County Appraiser joined the meeting.

Ben Alexander, Thrive for Moran Market, asked what is next since they were declined by the Economic Development Incentive Board. Discussion followed on what has been suggested as to what needs to happen to go back to another Economic Development Incentive Board. Discussion followed. The commission expressed they felt the \$300 could be waived to apply again for another hearing. Commissioner Daniels asked and stated there should be options. Commissioner Williams stated he is not disappointed in the board because he stated he trusts the persons on the board have dually looked at the applications and see the suggestions made to Moran Marmaton. Equity from citizens, grants and looking at the county before going to the bank to get the fill in. Bill discussed the lack of identifying objectives, meeting dates not consistent or posted in a timely matter and appeals process. Commissioner Williams stated he looked at the board as mentors but two members were missing from the Economic meeting. He would like to have seen all the members voting on them. Alan allowed the board and process are new and needs kinks worked out.

Larry Walden stated the committee did exactly what they were designed to do. The committee would not change, but the functionality of the applications will be what changes. He stated every meeting Thrive comes in there is an emergency and needs a meeting right now. If Mildred and Moran getting ready to explode with this wind mill coming in. A discussion on each person's feelings on helping Moran and Mildred. The money is there to help non-profit, new business and existing applications. Question on whether grants or loans were requested. Discussion followed. Ben had stated they need to have a decision sooner than later. Larry stated they did not think there was anything suggested to change on their (Moran Market) business plan. Debbie stated not everyone was at the meeting and knows the two absent were open to it and one has already gone out of his way to suggest he would meet with them. Feedback from the individual members. The store needs more equity and come back to the committee.

Bill Maness suggested the committee set up a standard operating process. Alan stated there is, Commissioner Williams stated it is the back end that needs standards.

Commissioners will table this discussion until Moran Market meets again in February with the Economic Development Incentive Board. Larry doesn't feel like they had any feedback on what they need to do before coming back. Alan stated any new process and committee has a clumsy start and needs to work through it.

Sherrie presented two Cereal Malt Beverage License request from Mildred Store for on and off premise sales of Cereal Malt Beverage. Sherrie reported she had checked with Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff and he has no problem with Mildred Store. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the cereal malt beverage licenses (On Premises and Off Premises) for Mildred Store. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan discussed the new longevity policy for Allen County. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve the changes. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed

Adam Lusker, 9th District State Representative, and Kent Thompson, 12th District State Representative, joined the meeting for legislative discussions. Discussions followed on elections processes, school State budgeting, State Constitutions, tax lid, wind farms and assessments, committee processes, State Transportation plans, State Complex funding, animal control, not Democrat and Republicans but rural and urban, and other topics.

Commissioners discussed members for the Allen County Regional Hospital Trustees. Commissioner Williams moved to appoint Ryan Coffield and Terry Sparks to the Allen County Regional Hospital Trustees. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Dick Works stopped in to say "Merry Christmas!"

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerks Vouchers – \$34,720.20
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) 2013 request for Shredding Documents
- d) Clerks Journal Entries #78
- e) Abatements: PP, Value 841, \$180.76, Year 2017
SA, \$100.00, Year 2017

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until December 29, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse for regular and yearend business.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner

IOLA, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY CLERK

December 29, 2017

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Jim Talkington, Commissioner Jerry Daniels, Commissioner Thomas R. Williams, Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk and Jill Allen, Allen County Deputy Clerk.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the December 19, 2017 meeting.

Bryan Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, Roy Smith, Allen County Undersheriff, Alan Weber, County Counselor and Larry Walden, citizen, joined the meeting.

Job Springer and Gary McIntosh, Allen County Foundation representatives, gave the commission an update on the finishing up on the last year of the required matching grant. Gary discussed a new fund drive for the hospital and they will be using the foundations 501c3. If the county had funds they could put in this fund drive. Gary stated there are two persons leaving monies to the community foundation and they keep it private; because people do not want publicity. Allen County has two funds, one Environmental Fund (recycling) a \$50,000 has increased to \$64,000 over five years and 50% match fund that would raise more. Job presented a paper showing how the monies is invested; Equity Pool 60%, Intermediate Fixed Income Pool 14%, Money Market 5% and Short Term Fixed Income Pool 21%. The \$50,000 will always stay in the fund and Allen County could use the \$14,000 at some time in the future. Gary stated when he ran for office he told people he would start a community foundation and if that happened he would not run again. He stated the new tax laws will be hurting them as well. City of Humboldt has put some money in to the fund but not the City of Iola. Discussion followed on where the monies could be used i.e. recycling.

Mitchell Garner, Allen County Public Works Director, discussed a motor grader for the landfill. Alan explained there wasn't other bids on the one they did last year. Commissioners discussed the lease purchase policy. He present bids from Berry Tractor (no bid), Foley Tractor bid a 2018 12M3AWDX Caterpillar for \$291,552.68 with \$42,000 trade in for a total of \$249,552.68, Standard Warranty 12 months unlimited, Extended Warranty 84 months/8,000 hours, premier Warranty travel included, CSA 108 month/7,500 hours condition monitoring agreement included, Lease payment of \$85,676.13; Murphy Tractor bid a 2018 772 G John Deere for \$284,100 less \$48,000 trade in for total of \$236,100, John Deere extended warranty-8,000 hours, premier Warranty, no lease payment presented. Discussion followed on differences of the two motor graders. Commissioner Williams moved to accept the lease option even though it is a little higher but serves the need of the county. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed Resolution 201709 approving transfer of funds from Public Works (Road and Bridge) to Special Machinery.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201709
ALLEN COUNTY SPECIAL MACHINERY FUND

BE IT RESOLVED, by the board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas:

WHEREAS, in accordance with K.S.A. 68-141F and K.S.A. 68-141G will hereby transfer \$208,250.00 from Allen County Public Works Fund to Allen County Special Machinery fund an amount not to exceed twenty-five (25%) credit to the Public Works Fund. All moneys credited to the Special Machinery Fund shall be used by Allen County for the purpose of purchasing road or bridge building machinery or equipment or the building of bridges and such fund shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2925 to 79-2937 or acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto, except that in making the budgets of Allen County the amounts credited to and the amount expended there from shall be shown thereon for the information of the taxpayers of Allen County.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 29th day of December 2017.

Commissioner Daniels moved to approve Resolution 201709. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed the 2018 contract from Advantage Computer for WEB Annual Hosting for \$1,463.00. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the contract. Chairman Talkington seconded, and motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, discussed

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201710
ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS,
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE USE OF PILOT PROCEEDS RECEIVED
FROM THE PRAIRIE QUEEN WIND FARM

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas has entered into a Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement with Prairie Queen Wind Farm, LLC dated November 29th, 2017 and anticipates receiving \$250,000.00 per year beginning on or before December 31, 2020 and continuing for 10 years until the wind farm project becomes taxable under Kansas Law; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of County Commissioners believe that one of the highest and best use of said PILOT funds would be to enhance educational opportunities within Allen County by supporting the local Vocational Technology Center and the local school districts;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS that proceeds from the PILOT agreement referred to above be and hereby shall be allocated by the Board of County Commissioners, from year to year, to the Regional Rural Technology Center (RRTC) at LaHarpe, Kansas and to School Districts 256, 257 and 258 in Allen County for projects enhancing the educational opportunities of Allen County students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the allocation of amounts payable to each entity will be determined each year by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners after said proceeds are received.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED at their regular meeting on the 29th day of December, 2017.

Commissioner Talkington stated he thought they all agreed on the 2% COLA and he feels the 1% Merit should be adequate for employees. Commissioners Daniels and Williams agreed the 2% COLA should be done. Discussion followed on merit. Commissioner Daniels thought the 2% merit would be meeting in the middle, Commissioner Williams stated he would like to see the 3% but agreed on the 2% merit. Discussion followed. Commissioner Williams stated he would like to see the county do a Health Savings Accounts in 2018. Commissioner Daniels moved to approve 2% COLA and up to a 2% Merit to all employees and department heads and 2% only going to commissioners beginning January 7, 2018. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Darolyn "Crickett" Maley, Allen County Treasurer, reported all monies have been sent to the Rodney Burns, Allen County auditor.

Chairman Talkington discussed an organizational chart. He discussed a human resources director is not formally lined out on the organizational chart. Alan explained how it is currently working. Commissioners asked if either Sherrie and/or Alan had any issues with Sherrie being named as Human Resource Director. Discussion followed on name of position. Chairman Talkington moved to include the titles of Sherrie as Human Resources Administrator and Alan as

Assistant Human Resources in the organizational chart to be entered into the Personal Policy. Died for lack of a second. Commissioners will take under consideration at their next scheduled meeting.

Chairman Talkington requested the commission to set goals to achieve for 2018 i.e. to insure the financial stability of the hospital, ambulance stations done, building a medical arts building and such...

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers – \$265,584.49
- b) Payroll Changes
- c) Clerk's Journal Entries: 79-84
- d) Abatements: RE Value 21,784, \$4,285.30, Year 2017
PP Value 378, \$53.08, Year 2017
TR Value 105, \$14.00, Year 2017
Oil Value 1293, \$199.24, Year 2017

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until January 2, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner