

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

Commissioners corrected and approved the minutes of the September 16, 2014 meeting.

Jerry Daniels, Candidate for Commissioner District #1, Melodi Burke, Humboldt Union and Bob Johnson, Iola Register, were present to observe the meeting.

Sherrie requested to have Allen County pay for employees' flu shots again this year. They are \$30.00 and will be given on October 15, 2014 from 4-5 p.m. Chairman Talkington moved to approve the flu shots be paid for by Allen County. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed an employee appreciation dinner. No action was taken at this time.

Commissioners received a request from Bryan J. Murphy, Allen County Sheriff, for a truck. He received bids from GSA Auto Choice for a 2014 Ford \$27,900.24 or a 2014 GM for \$30,330.30; Twin Motors Ford for a 2014 F-150 for \$29,600. Discussion followed on in county vs out of county. It is within 10% of government contract. Commissioner Williams moved to approve the purchase of a truck from Twin Motors Ford. Commissioner Works seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Talkington discussed a citizen that is concerned about delinquent taxes and speed limits along old highway 169. Discussion followed.

Commissioners reviewed and discussed Resolution 201411.

**ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS
RESOLUTION NUMBER 201411**

A Resolution Ordering the County Counselor to Institute an Action for Tax Foreclosure

WHEREAS, numerous parcels of real estate have been sold and bid in by the County at delinquent tax sales and have remained unredeemed on the 1st day of September of the 3rd year after such sale; and,

WHEREAS, the aggregate assessed valuation of all such real estate subject to sale within the boundaries of Allen County, Kansas, is more than \$10,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, the legislature has passed laws providing for the foreclosure of tax liens and the sale of real estate in order to collect delinquent taxes:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the duly elected Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas that a judicial foreclosure and sale of all real estate tax liens be held. The County Counselor of Allen County is hereby ordered to prepare the necessary pleadings to initiate and prosecute a tax foreclosure action in accord with the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2801 et seq.

RESOLVED this 23rd day of September, 2014

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS

Bill King, Public Works Director, Curt Drake, Allen County Regional Landfill Supervisor, J. David Langford, Principal, Brian Weis, Project Manager, Laura Drescher, Assistant Project Manager and Scott Martin, Senior Engineer, all from Burns & McDonnell, joined the meeting to discuss landfill engineering. David introduced each of his staff and the history of Burns and McDonnell with Allen County. He presented "Engineering Services for Allen County Landfill". Scott presented information on other clients they serve and what services they are performing for them. Brian discussed his services within Allen County for the last 14 years and the values and strengths they bring to Allen County. He also discussed regulatory navigations; how their knowledge is valuable to Allen County and presented examples of paperwork required. Brian explained their line of communication between themselves and their clients. He mentioned new procedures they have planned for the future. Brian reviewed Burns & McDonnell's low cost strategy for Allen County and what will be changed to guarantee Allen County a lower cost than they have been in the past. Laura discussed using younger staff to help reduce the costs. She discussed 2014-2016 regulatory compliance scheduling and Solid Waste integrated client schedule for staffing and scheduling. Laura explained her history of education which qualifies her for her position. Brian discussed future projects within Allen County Regional Landfill in detail and what could be done to save monies but still be within compliance. Overall Burns & McDonnell can minimize capital construction costs, reduce rates, lower billing levels and reduce subcontract or cost. Commissioners expressed the costs, not the service was why they were looking at having more bids. Discussion followed. Burns & McDonnell's first project was in Allen County on a water and light plant in 1898.

Bill presented bids for 6" trash water pump. Curt and Bill have looked at the one from Foley Equipment that is a Caterpillar engine C4 with 1500 hours for \$17,500. They haven't looked at the ones from Water Movers for a new Godwin 6" CD150 Diesel Driven Pump, John Deere 4045T290 IT4, trailer mounted for \$29,902.60 or a used Godwin 6" CD150 Diesel Driven Pump, John Deere 4045T290, trailer mounted 4600 hours on meter for \$14,750.00. Discussion followed on new vs used and the value of maintenance. Commissioners requested Bill to get three bids for a new pump.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, requested commissioners approve Resolution 201411. Commissioner Williams moved to approve Resolution 201411. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners discussed penalties for late taxes. Alan stated the penalty is set by statute. Discussion followed on costs plus penalties.

Alan presented payment order #72 for \$2,188.40. He stated October 28 is the last date for engineer's notice of any issues at the new hospital. There will be a hospital trustees meeting this evening. Commissioner Works moved to authorize Chairman Talkington's signature. Commissioner Williams seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Alan discussed the appraisal for \$49,000 for the old health department building. Discussion on sale of property followed. Commissioners approved Alan to publish they are taking sealed bids with a requirement of \$49,000. Discussion followed.

Joel Wicoff, City of Lola Mayor, Sandra Zornes, City of Lola Council member and Bob Johnson, Jr. joined the meeting to discuss EMS contract. Commissioner Works discussed changes in the proposed EMS contract. He expressed his concerns on placement of the ambulances and lowering the number of EMS employees, EMS plans involving both the city and the county. Discussion followed addressing each issue listed. Commissioner Works asked about cooperation between EMS and others on a review committee. Chairman Talkington expressed his opinion has not changed about EMS and that it should be a county function and he feels the only way the bickering will go away is if the county takes it over. He stated it isn't a money issue and that the care would be the same no matter if the county or the city did the EMS providing. Commissioner Works stated the State EMS report showed the county was superior over the City of Lola EMS. Discussion followed. Commissioner Works stated anytime you have a service, you turn monies over to a committee. He also stated he would vote for the contract once it is tweaked to his preference. City of Lola representatives left the meeting.

Commissioners discussed EMS current service and coverage.

Commissioner Williams moved to appoint Sherrie L. Riebel, Allen County Clerk to serve as Allen County representative and Dick Works, Allen County Commissioner, as alternate to the KWORC annual meeting. Chairman Talkington seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Payroll Changes
- b) Clerk's Vouchers for 9/18/14: \$174,343.45 and 9/22/14: \$23,794.54

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until September 30, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Jim Talkington, Chairperson

Dick Works, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Thomas R. Williams, Commissioner