

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

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Terry Call, Planning & Zoning, Chelsie Angleton, 911 Communications Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, Carl Slaugh, citizen, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Lee led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on February 7, 2023.

Chairman Lee asked for public comment, there was none.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, presented the 2023 management plan for the Noxious Weed department for the commissioners' signatures. This plan was presented previously and was accepted.

Mitch presented the herbicide disbursement summary for the commissioners' signatures.

Mitch reported Kevin Turner, noxious weed employee, will be attending the week-long directors course the first week of March. Discussion followed.

Sheriff Bryan Murphy joined the meeting.

Chairman Lee asked Mitch about the start of work on the new landfill cell. Discussion followed.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, reported they have been patching pot holes. He will be needing to go to Kansas City to get more oil.

Chairman Lee asked Mark how the moving of equipment was going at the quarry. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked Mark about blading of the roads. Discussion followed.

Lisse Regehr, Thrive Allen County, presented the 2022 Year in Review for Economic Development. Thrive has interviewed 2 candidates to fill the vacancy created by Jonathon Goering's departure.

In 2022 Thrive applied for 28 community grants and 23 of those were awarded.

During 2021 and 2022 Atlas Community Studios completed an economic development methodology study; and they found that job opportunities exist in Allen County, but the labor pool falls short of meeting employer demand.

Examples of the projects that Thrive worked on would be the Allen County Airport Building a Stronger Economy (BASE) grant, Airport Layout Plan (ALP), KDOT grant to cover repairs and painting of the runway, FAA grant for new lighting at airport, bringing the American Flight Museum to Allen County, Moderate Income Housing (MIH) grant.

Lisse stated that economic development never rests. They have several projects that will remain at the forefront of Thrives efforts in 2023.

Chairman Lee asked about the commuting of employees from other counties. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Symes asked Lisse about the community discussions Thrive has hosted. Carlyle will be later this month.

Commissioner Daniels moved to accept a request to shred the 2018 claim vouchers, 2018 added and abated taxes, 2018 daily statements, 2018 check register, 2018 motor vehicle daily audits per the Local Government Records Management Manual. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Symes moved to sign the letter of support for the funding of the 5310 General Transportation Services provided by Thrive Allen County.

ALLEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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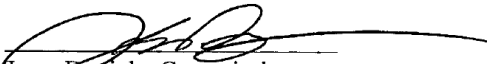
To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to show Allen County government's support for Thrive Allen County's public transportation and 5310 services. Without Thrive, these services would not exist for our community and many residents would not have transportation to the grocery store, work, health care, and more. Thank you for your support of our transportation program.

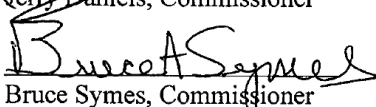
Sincerely,



David E. Lee, Chairman



Jerry Daniels, Commissioner



Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Daniels moved to sign an agreement for services from Tri-Valley development.

TriValley Developmental Services

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 1st day of January by and between the Board of County Commissioners of ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS, hereinafter called Commissioners and TRI-VALLEY DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC., hereinafter called "CDDO."

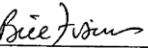
WHEREAS, the Commissioners are desirous of providing services for the residents with intellectual disability of the County and of levying a tax providing such services, but have determined that it is more practicable to contract with a non-profit corporation for such services for the residents with intellectual disability of said county as provided by K.S.A. 19-4007(a), and

WHEREAS, the CDDO is a non-profit corporation, licensed by the State Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services in accordance with K.A.R. 30-64 and is capable of providing oversight for individuals with intellectual disability.

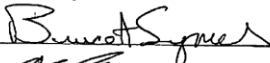
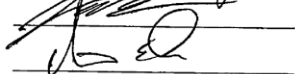

NOW THEREFORE, the Commissioners contract for services as enumerated in 3. Below, for the residents with intellectual disability of said county with CDDO and CDDO agrees to supply said services upon the following terms and conditions:

1. **Term** The term of this agreement shall be for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023.
2. **Consideration.** The Commissioners agree to levy taxed upon all the taxable tangible property in the County as provided by K.S.A. 19-4004 for the purpose of providing revenue to pay for services for the residents with intellectual disability of said county. Upon receipt of such tax money, the Commissioners shall pay the amount budgeted or actually received (whichever is less) to the CDDO and the CDDO is authorized to receive and expend such moneys to provide services for residents with intellectual disability of said county. Payments of tax money collected are to be made quarterly. The amount to be budgeted for 2023 is \$70,000.00.
3. **Services.** The services to be provided are Day Activity, Employment Services, Community Living, Respite Care, Case Management, Administrative, Support and Transportation Services.
4. **Reports.** Service Provider shall annually provide the Commissioners with a Certified Public Audit report showing the amount of fees collected, the amount of money received under said contract, and any other income, and showing further the disbursements, including salaries by the CDDO
5. **Liability.** CDDO agrees to indemnify and hold the Commissioners harmless from any and all claims arising out of CDDO operations and activities.
6. **Funding.** The Commissioners reserve the right to alter or adjust the payment amount to meet funding reductions by sending a written notice to CDDO fourteen days in advance of said alteration or adjustment.

TRI-VALLEY DEVELOPMENTAL
SERVICES, INC.
CDDO

By: 
Bill Fiscus
CEO

COMMISSIONERS
Board of County Commissioners
ALLEN County

Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Stephen Euston & Joe Holdenried, Bukaty Companies, joined the meeting.

Stephen & Joe presented updated information for health insurance and dental insurance renewal. Discussion followed. Commissioner Symes moved to accept the renewal from Blue Cross Blue Shield for health insurance and to accept the bids from Guardian for dental, vision, life insurance, and short-term disability insurance. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman Lee reported that the employees' wellness blood draws are this Thursday, February 16, 2023.

Chairman Lee reported on an opportunity to participate in a "SWOT" meeting that could be held at the college. It would focus on discussions on strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes for Contract Negotiations. Commissioner Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 10:02 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Jerry Hathaway, County Attorney. Commissioners reconvened at 10:17 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

- a) January Monthly report from District Court & Noxious Weed Dept
- b) Inventory from Attorney's office, & County Clerk's office

- c) Escapes: PP, Value 834, \$133.32, year 2021
- d) Adds: PP, Value 770, \$123.02, year 2022

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$120,827.84
- b) Abatements: RE, Value 4433, \$1006.64, year 2022
TR, Value 2195, \$355.06, year 2022

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Daniels moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. until Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the courthouse.

David E. Lee, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

Jerry Daniels, Commissioner