

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

Vickie Moss, Iola Register, Robert Johnson, II, Allen County Counselor, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, Rickie Aiello, Allen County employee, Zak Smith, Universal Construction, Paul Zirjacks, citizen, was present to observe the meeting.

Chairman Daniels led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Terry Call, citizen, joined the meeting.

Carl Slaugh, Iola City councilman, joined the meeting.

Commissioners approved the minutes of the regular meeting on December 29, 2022.

Chairman Daniels asked for public comment, there was none.

Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, presented his "wish-list" for 2023. A few items would include a couple of dump trucks, a "new" truck for the rock quarry, 2 mower decks, skid steer, and the MowerMax. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte & Jeremy Armstrong, St. Luke's Hospital, joined the meeting.

Chairman Jerry Daniels reported that Monarch Cement Company has pledged \$100,000.00 for Allen and Neosho Counties to assist with road repair expenses from the detours. For their records they are requesting documentation to show what the monies will be spent on. Discussion followed.

Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, reported they are still working on the runway; still filling the cracks. Discussion followed.

Loren Korte, on behalf of St. Luke's Hospital came to introduce the new hospital administrator, Jeremy Armstrong. Jeremy has been here 3 months now. Discussion followed.

Loren reported the medical arts building is complete and in use. The work at the hospital is to bring in more specialists. Loren thanked the commission for their help to get this accomplished. The clinic on North Washington is now empty. Discussion followed on specialty clinics and the specialties that could be available in the clinics.

Commissioner Lee moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 8:49 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Mark Griffith, Road & Bridge Director, Mitchell Garner, Public Works Director, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 8:59 a.m. No action taken.

Dimity Lowell, Iola Seniors Inc, joined the meeting.

Judge Daniel Creitz joined the meeting.

Judge Creitz reported on the interview process for the construction manager of the court expansion project. Two applicants, Crossland Construction and Universal Construction, were interviewed by a committee of 4 individuals. The recommendation of the committee is for Crossland Construction to be awarded the construction manager

contract. Discussion followed. Commissioner Lee moved to accept the committee's recommendation of Crossland Construction being awarded the construction manager position. Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0.

Dimity Lowell, Iola Seniors Inc, reported that Yutzy Construction informed them they had to have a pad built for the concrete work to begin. They were able to complete this.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:15 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, citizen, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:25 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Lee seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:27 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, Terry Call, citizen, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:32 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Symes moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel. Chairman Daniels seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. The time is now 9:34 a.m. Those present will be Commissioners, and Robert Johnson II, Allen County Counselor. Commissioners reconvened at 9:39 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioners reviewed the following documents:

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- a) Clerk's Vouchers \$
- b) Payroll -

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Lee moved to adjourn, Commissioner Symes seconded; motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m. until Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the courthouse.

Jerry Daniels, Chairperson

Bruce Symes, Commissioner

Shannon Patterson, County Clerk

David E. Lee, Commissioner