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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session
Tuesday and Thursday and adjourn upon completion of business

DESCRIPTION	GENERAL SESSION
DATE	June 10, 2025
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	PRESENT: Beth Seibert Cory Noonan Brian Winegardner
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION – RECORDED
8:00 a.m.	CSB Levy Renewal Discussion – Sarah Newland and Greg Sowinski • Children Services Board would approval to move forward with placing their .5 Mil Renewal Levy on the ballot -this is the smaller of the two levies that Children Services Board uses for funding -larger levy (.75 Mil) renewal was on the Spring ballot and was approved -no additional funds are being requested • Current levy expires at the end of 2026 • Discussion on combining the two levies utilized for funding of Children Services Board into one levy
8:08 a.m.	RECESS
9:00 a.m.	Staff Update/County Projects Sofia Clifton— • Discussion on Wellness Preventative Maintenance -sent communication out to employees as well as a reminder that Wellness 2025 ends June 30th • Discussion on BWC coverage for unpaid interns

-requested agreement between Juvenile Court and school the intern attends
-Sofia Clifton is reviewing –currently not seeing liability in either agreement but will confirm with Juvenile Court
-discussion on other departments that have unpaid interns – reviewing agreements to ensure which party covers liability within the agreement

- Provided an update on Sheriff's Office vehicle accidents
  -two separate accidents for one vehicle—have been submitted to CORSA
  -Patrol Officer will be taking Defensive Driving Course
  -quotes for repair is $9,613.31 with a $5,000.00 deductible
- All CORSA incentives have been met and received a full reimbursement from what is allowed

Brittany Woods—

- Discussion on next week's agenda scheduling due to Juneteenth being on a Thursday
  -No agenda next week, al items will be shifted to the following Tuesday
- Discussion on proposed CRA in American/Sugar Creek Township
  -received unique Community Reinvestment Area designation number from the State
  -Attorneys are finalizing the proposed CRA agreement
- Received a request from the Commander of VFW 1275 for space located in 330 N. Elizabeth Street
- Beth Seibert had discussion on Veterans Pantry
  -current building is being sold and they are currently looking for a new location
- Son will be having surgery in August
  -currently scheduled on a Tuesday and should just need the remainder of the week for recovery
- World Elder Abuse Awareness Proclamation will be on this week's agenda
  -DJFS Adult Protective Service team will be hear to receive said proclamation

Beth Seibert—

- Discussion on Veterans Memorial Foundation project

-Joe Gearing has reviewed the plans and changes to the soil plans would negate the need for a variance if the organization waits for revisions to the Stormwater Management and Sediment Control Regulations
-Commissioners will suggest to the organization to wait on revisions to the regulations and they should be able to move forward with their project
-Beth Seibert will make communication with their attorney after the 2nd Hearing today

- **Chamber Legislative Committee has requested a meeting with the Commissioners**
  -they will reach out to Brittany Woods to schedule
- **Township Association Ice Cream Social and Meeting is this Thursday at 6:30 pm**
- **Chamber has requested four (4) proclamations for Allen County Ag Hall of Fame**
- **Discussion on the need for a Housing Council if the proposed CRA is approved**
  -review of required members for said Housing Council
- **Discussion on reappointment of Kris Browning to the Children Services Board**
  -Commissioners are in favor of reappointment
- **Received a call from Kelly Nees, Adult Probation, in regards to two (2) vehicles that are needing replaced**
  -have been searching for grant funds to replace said vehicles, but have not been able to obtain
  -Commissioner's are not in favor of utilizing General Funds for vehicle purchases
  -Commissioner Winegardner recommended looking in to utilizing TCAP funds

Cory Noonan—

- **Discussion on bonding for construction projects**
  -general discussion possibility of permanent bonding for contractors to perform county projects

Brian Winegardner—

- **Discussion on Sheriff's Office Capital Request for Body Cameras**
  -Sofia Clifton sent the Sheriff's Office the CORSA Policy for review
  -Chief Deputy Mohler said they will review and plan to follow said policy

	-Commissioners discussed that if they adopt the CORSA policy, it will not be necessary to replace any tasers at this time -Commissioners will plan to discuss potential financing of the purchase with Kelli Singhaus • Discussion on potential purchase of Vandemark Building -Commissioners reviewed documents from John Willamowski Jr. and are ready to move forward County Projects— • Brittany Woods provided an overview of her conversation with Mark Evans, Bricker Graydon, in regards to Cook Tower Building owner completing renovations vs. the county completing the renovations for the relocation of Child Support Enforcement Agency • Received draft Letters of Engagement from Bricker Graydon for Outside Counsel on future projects -will send letters to Commissioners and John Willamowski Jr. for review
10:04 a.m.	RECESS
1:02 p.m.	Dog Warden Quarterly Update – Julie Shellhammer • Provided an overview of statistics for dog tag sales • Provided an update on staffing • Provided an update on Voucher Program -164 vouchers have been issued -voucher was $75.00 last year, and has been bumped up to $100.00 for spayed/neuter • Discussion on meeting reviewing Animal Welfare Federation as a good resource • Dangerous Dog Training was held last week -great attendance • Discussion on credit card fee for the purchase of dog tags -fee goes directly to the credit card company, the county does not receive any of the fees • General discussion on ADA Service Dogs -specific situation may be falsely utilizing the status of Service Dog -Julie Shellhammer is looking into if a certification for a service dog can be revoked if proven certification stipulations are being broken • Discussion on fencing replacement

	-working on getting contract documents to place on the agenda for approval
1:26 p.m.	RECESS
2:00 p.m.	Stormwater Management and Sediment Control Regulations 2nd Public Hearing (1st Floor Conference Room)—NOT RECORDED • Brian Winegardner opened the meeting • Joe Gearing provided an overview of revisions made to the Regulations • Joe Gearing provided an overview of revisions made to the Design Manual • Joshua Stevens asked on bonding and what the purpose is -the bond will be utilized only if needed due to contractor not performing necessary work • General Discussion on Grandfathering Policy for Stormwater Management and Sediment Control • General discussion on regulations -developers do not have any issues with the proposed revisions • Lydia Archambo discussed that the revisions do follow EPA and MS4 guidelines • General discussion on projects within an MS4 like Allen County vs. projects that do not have an MS4 to follow • Commissioners will review and have placed on the agenda for approval
2:36 p.m.	ADJOURN
	Submitted by: Brittany N. Woods Brittany N. Woods, Clerk Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners Beth Seibert Cory Noonan Brian Winegardner