

The Allen County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. with Chairperson Robert A. Francis, Commissioner Dick Works, Commissioner Gary G. McIntosh and Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk.

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

Commissioners corrected and approved the minutes of the December 20 & 30, 2011, meetings.

Sherrie discussed a new law effective as of January 2012 that requires Scrap Metal Dealers to apply for a permit. Discussion followed. The permit is good for ten years. Commissioners reviewed Resolution 201201 providing for registration of scrap metal dealers and the collection of fees.

Resolution No. 201201

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION OF SCRAP METAL DEALERS AND THE COLLECTION OF REGISTRATION FEES AS REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 50-6,109 et. seq.

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 50-6,109 et. seq. as amended by HB 2312 requires every business with a location in Allen County which is not otherwise in an incorporated city and which meets the definition of a "scrap metal dealer" as set forth in K.S.A. 50-6,109 to first register each business location with the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the registration application for each business location within the county must be accompanied by a registration fee as provided by law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS that a Scrap Metal Dealer's registration application accompanied by an application fee of \$400.00 shall be required for each business location where any regulated scrap metal is purchased. The registration approved and issued by the Board of County Commissioners shall be for a term of 10 years unless the registration is earlier suspended or terminated due to unlawful acts on the part of the registrant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a renewal application fee of \$50.00 shall accompany each application for the renewal of the registration for each business location where any regulated scrap metal is purchased.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all such applications for registration or renewal of registration shall be filed in the office of the Allen County Clerk and brought before the Board of County Commissioners at its next regular meeting for consideration as required by law and all fees shall be disbursed by the County Clerk to the General Fund of Allen County, Kansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect upon its publication in the official county newspaper.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this 3rd day of January 2012

Commissioner Works moved to approve Resolution 201201. Commissioner McIntosh seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners reviewed Resolution 201202.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201202

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, 2012, 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, 2012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Allen County, Kansas, in regular meeting duly assembled this 3rd day of January 2012, 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, 2012.

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.

Commissioner Works moved to approve Resolution 201202. Commissioner McIntosh seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Ray Shannon, Allen County Animal Rescue Foundation (ACARF) representative, reminded the commission ACARF was formed in 1995 by private citizens with a goal to build and operate a shelter for abused, strayed or abandoned animals in Allen County. Building cost estimates were solicited and fund-raising begun. They found the annual increase in funds gained a little over the annual increase in cost. In 2008, a private donor offered \$60,000 on the condition the shelter be started and reach a point of substantial completion before this fund would be released. They are a 501(c)(3) and received their public charity status confirmation in 2002. Their accumulated funds were not sufficient to complete the installation and a loan was arranged through Community National Bank. The shelter opened in early July 2010. A non-salaried board of director is appointed annually.

Ray requested \$50,000 for aid to continue and expand operations. He stated at current rates they project a need for an additional \$4,000 a month to maintain a quality operation. They are working to cover this operating loss with grant money and expanded fund raising. He mentioned hundreds of Allen County citizens have been involved in supporting the shelter through fundraisers and donating thousands of dollars of personal funds to make adoption possible for more families. He allowed those donors could only do so much.

The shelter consistently runs 50 to 55 each of cats and dogs. They do not euthanize to provide room for new animals. Discussion followed. Commissioners stated they would take the request under consideration.

Bill King, Public Works Director, mentioned that next week they will be discussing and choosing an engineer for Allen County Airport environmental study project.

Bill reported there is a 120' radial stacker located in Neosho County that he is going to view. Discussion followed on the benefits of a longer stacker for the Allen County crusher in the quarry. Commissioners authorized Bill to spend up to \$20,000 if it looked sufficient.

Bill approached the discussion of raises. He stated we have employees that handle millions of dollars and drive half-million-dollar equipment. Chairman Francis stated he would like the commission to consider a 3.6% COLA for every employee and .25 cents raise to be based on merit according to department heads. He stated he was proud of the support the employees have had in being patient since they had not received raises for three years. Commissioner McIntosh and Commissioner Works will come up with some options on raises. Together they will review the different options. Commissioners stated they want to see where the County Funds are after January 5th's payout. No action was taken at this time.

Alan Weber, Allen County Counselor, updated commission on the hospital.

Thomas R. Williams, Allen County Sheriff, and Harry Lee, Jr., citizen, joined to observe the meeting.

Alan discussed the proposed EMS Citizens Review Committee. Commissioners requested Alan to work on instruction for the proposed committee for guidance. Currently the agreement is three individuals are to be appointed by the City of Iola and three from Allen County. Sheriff Williams suggested they involve more of the county and other cities within Allen County. Commissioners requested Chairman Francis visit with Bill Shirley, City of Iola Mayor, concerning the size of the proposed committee.

Commissioners discussed appointments to an ambulance committee.

Sheriff Williams and Mr. Lee left the meeting.

Jason Nelson, Allen County EMS Director, presented bids for an ambulance. Bids were received from American Response Vehicles for a brand new 2011 AEV TRAUMAHAWK TYPE III for \$141,546 with delivery 120 to 150 days or a demonstrator 2011 AEV TRAUMAHAWK TYPE III for \$136,458 with delivery within 30 days; Emergency Services Supply for a 2011 Osage #2168 Type I for \$137,550 with a delivery date of 150 – 180 days; and Rocky Mountain Emergency Vehicles for a 167" Superliner Type III for \$146,505 with a delivery date of 150 –180 days. Jason stated American Response Vehicles offered to give a trade-in but he would like to keep all the ambulances to have in rotation for when one goes on a transfer. Commissioner McIntosh moved to purchase the demonstrator ambulance from American Response Vehicle for \$136,458. Commissioner Works seconded, motion passed 3-0-0.

Commissioners approved the following documents:

- a. Payroll changes

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned until January 10, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission room of the courthouse.

Robert A. Francis, Chairperson

Dick Works, Commissioner

Sherrie L. Riebel, County Clerk

Gary G. McIntosh, Commissioner