

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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March 30, 2020

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 30th day of March 2020, at the Barton County Courthouse.

*Members present:*

Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District  
James R. Daily, Commissioner, 4th District  
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District (Chairman Pro-Tem)  
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk  
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator  
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

*Members attending via phone:*

Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District

*Members absent:*

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District, Chairman

## **I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Schartz called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the agenda.  
Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Daily moved to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2020, Regular Meeting and the March 20, 2020, Special Meeting.  
Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:**

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of March 16, 2020, and ending March 30, 2020.

Commissioner Daily moved to approve appropriations for the period of March 16, 2020, to March 30, 2020 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.  
Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **III. OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE: Request for Approval – Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes:**

-Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, will present a listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes. Orders for these actions are kept on file in the County Clerk's Office. These are used to correct assessments and are requested by the County Appraiser's Office or the County Clerk's Office.

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, presented the following tax roll adjustments and the year-to-date PFCAP:

BATCH #11		
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Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property				
Real Estate	-92,210		-\$16,406.92	\$2,875.78
16/20 M Trucks				
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-92,210		-\$16,406.92	\$2,875.78
Total Taxes	-\$16,406.92			
Total Records Selected	9			

Commissioner Daily moved to the Listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes as reviewed by the County Appraiser and presented by the County Clerk. Direct the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.  
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

**B. ROAD AND BRIDGE: 2020 Paint Striping Program:**

-The Road and Bridge Department has received a quote from Straight Line Striping Inc. in reference to striping approximately 105 miles of County roads. The estimated cost, at no more than \$95,000.00, was included in the 2020 Road and Bridge Budget as an expected operating expense.

Darren Williams, County Works Director, said the Road and Bridge Department will overlay and seal approximately a hundred miles in the Northwest part of the county. It is necessary to stripe the roads for safety and legal requirements. Williams said due to the specialized equipment needed to apply the paint and glass beads quickly and efficiently, Road and Bridge contracts out this work. Straight Line Striping out of Nebraska has performed this work for the past several years. Williams said the 2020 cost is \$17.76 per gallon for white paint and \$18.20 per gallon for yellow and noted the total cost depends on the total number of miles sealed. Williams said the cost increased about \$30 per mile this year.

Commissioner Daily moved to hire Straight Line Striping Inc. for the 2020 Paint Striping Program for a not to exceed price of \$95,000.00. Cost to be paid from the Road and Bridge Fund, Contract Construction Line, 002-92-6250.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.  
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

**V. ENDING BUSINESS:**

- 1. Announcements
- 2. Appointments

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Comm Kruckenberg: Straight Line is a good deal.
- Karen Winkelman, Health Director: Total number of confirmed cases in Kansas was 44 approximately 10 days ago and as of yesterday the number is 319 confirmed. On March 27<sup>th</sup>, a very difficult decision was made to issue an emergency order to place public gathering restrictions. On Saturday, the Governor signed a Stay-at-Home order effective at 12:01 A.M. this morning thru Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. The Governor stated three reasons for doing so. To have uniformity across the state, to prevent overwhelming hospitals, and to buy us some time to secure personal protective equipment. Essential

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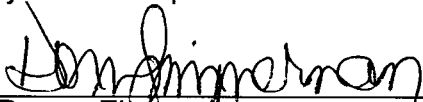
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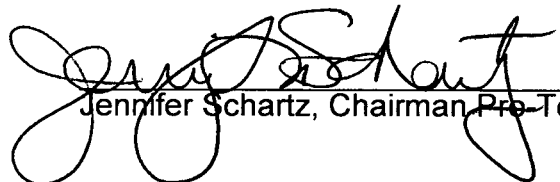
- Business functions are listed in the executive order. It is up to the individual business to look at the order to determine if they are essential. Not aware of any confirmed cases in Barton County at this time. Her staff and customers are screened with questions and temperature. Medical providers are reporting to the Health Department within 4 hours when there is a suspect case. If someone is tested, the Health Department looks at 14 days prior to try to determine where it may have been contracted, makes a list of any contacts, and asks that they self-quarantine. They collected samples at a hot spot in the community identified by KDHE when someone became ill. Working with Emergency Management to get supplies. Do not want any barriers to exist in getting testing. Support has been phenomenal. Donna Zimmerman is our PIO, so news releases are coming thru her. Dr. Norman said they project a possible peak for mid-to-end of April. Dr. Norman said he was asked how you would know when to back off. He stated that will have to be evaluated every 1 to 2 weeks and reiterated how important social distancing is at this time. Winkelman thanked everyone for their support. We are in this together.
- Comm Daily: Do you have adequate number of test kits.
  - Winkelman: Have a limited supply. They also have other means for collection.
  - Comm Daily: Have you been in contact with other pharmacies to see if you can gather items to make the kits?
  - Winkelman: Yes, they are limited too.
  - Comm Schartz: Do we have outstanding tests we are waiting on results for?
  - Winkelman: Yes we do. We have individuals who are under quarantine because of travel.
  - Comm Schartz: If we get a positive, how will we get the information out?
  - Winkelman: Will go through PIO Donna Zimmerman.
  - Comm Daily: Quarantine in your home.
  - Winkelman: Yes, and self-monitor for signs and symptoms.
  - Comm Schartz: Doing a really good job and a really good team to manage the situation. Hearing a lot of good positive comments about the annex for the Treasurer's Office and how we are managing to get work done. Keep your distance. This is not the time to let your guard down. When weather gets better the temptation to gather will be greater.

## VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Kruckenberg made a motion to adjourn at 9:20 A.M.  
Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

  
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Donna Zimmerman  
Barton County Clerk

  
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Jennifer Schartz, Chairman Pro-Tem