

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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January 31, 2011

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 31st day of January 2011, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman
Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tem)
Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District
John Edmonds, Commissioner, 3rd District
Don Cates, Commissioner, 4th District
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Cates moved to approve the agenda and table Item B. Wetlands & Wildlife Scenic Byway.
Commissioner Edmonds seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Edmonds moved adoption of the minutes of the January 24, 2011 Regular Meeting.
Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of January 17, 2011, and ending January 31, 2011.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve appropriations for the period of January 17, 2011 to January 31, 2011.
Commissioner Cates seconded the motion.

Commissioner Kruckenberg stated his name appeared on this list and it was costing \$20.00 for his cards and he would pay that \$20.00 and said he didn't want it to cost the County for his business cards.

Commissioner Schartz said he wouldn't have to pay because that was part of doing business as a Commissioner.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said no, he wouldn't have to.

Commissioner Schartz, Commissioner Schremmer, Commissioner Kruckenberg and Commissioner Cates voted aye.
Commissioner Edmonds abstained.
Motion passed 4 – 0.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD: Bob Folk, Noxious Weed:

The Employee Relations Committee recommends outstanding individuals for the "Employee Recognition Award". Generally, the recognition is given quarterly. At this time, the Commission will be asked to

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recognize Bob Folk, Applicator at the Noxious Weed Department. Nominated by another department, reasons include the assistance Mr. Folk gives other departments. Mentioned are assisting Road and Bridge with sand sealing, snow removal and other large projects. In addition, Mr. Folk shows "ability, dependability, cooperation, and attitude" in a positive way.

The Commissioners joined Stan Behrends, Employee Relations Committee, in presenting the award.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to recognize Bob Folk for all he's done with the Employee Recognition Award.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. WETLANDS AND WILDLIFE NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY: Internal Marketing:

-Judy Walden, Walden Mills Group, hosted a meeting with the Internal Marketing Committee for the Wetlands and Wildlife National Scenic Byway on Tuesday, January 25, 2011. Janet Crane, Financial Officer and Byway Liaison for the County, will recap Ms. Walden's efforts during the last week.

(ITEM TABLED)

C. QUIT CLAIM DEED: Jack Kilby Square:

-In late December, Richard Boeckman, County Counselor \ Administrator, detailed the history of the Jack Kilby Square. One fact was that, under a 1965 Court case, the Supreme Court affirmed a ruling that the County held title to the square, although it was established that it belonged to the City of Great Bend. No action was ever taken to correct that affirmation. At this time, Mr. Boeckman will ask that the Commission quit claim any interest in the square to the City of Great Bend.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, explained a 1968 Kansas Supreme Court case "Captain Cooper vs. Great Bend" where the Kansas Supreme Court said Lafayette Square was held in trust by Barton County for the citizens to be used as a park. That was incorrect, because all the deeding that was done back in the 1870's indicated Kilby Square belongs to the City of Great Bend to be held in trust for the citizens to use as a park. Bob Suelter, Great Bend City Attorney, and Boeckman agreed that the easy solution is to quit claim it back to the City. The quit claim deed would give the County a (2) two foot perimeter around the building.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve the Quit Claim Deed giving any rights to Jack Kilby Square (aka Lafayette Park) to the City of Great Bend.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel Matters:

-The Commission will enter into Executive Session with the County Counselor \ Administrator to discuss the 911 Director's position. The Commission meeting will resume in 10 minutes.

At 9:14 A.M. Commissioner Schremmer moved to enter into Executive Session for a period of (10) ten minutes to discuss personnel matters. The County Counselor/Administrator will join the session to discuss the position of 911 Director. They will return at 9:25 A.M.

Richard Boeckman suggested the 911 candidate be invited to attend.

Commissioner Schremmer added to his motion to invite the 911 Director candidate.

Commissioner Cates seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

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At 9:26 A.M. Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to come out of executive session.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel Matters:

-The Commission will make any necessary announcements as a result of the Executive Session. If necessary, further discussion or a decision may be made at this time.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to hire Doug Hubbard as our 911 Director.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
Commissioners Schartz, Commissioner Schremmer, Commissioner Kruckenberg and Commissioner Cates voted aye.
Commissioner Edmonds abstained.
Motion passed 4 – 0.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, reported the County had interviewed 5 candidates for 911 Director and extended an offer to Doug Hubbard. Hubbard will formally begin work on February 28, 2011. In the meantime, he will spend time at 911 as time allows. He is scheduled to attend Global training next week in Oklahoma. The pay will be \$45,000.

The Commissioners welcomed Doug Hubbard.

Doug Hubbard said he appreciates their confidence and is committed to the continued growth of 911.

ENDING BUSINESS:

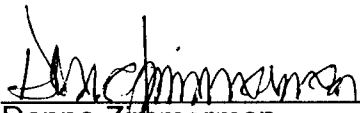
1. Announcements
2. Appointments

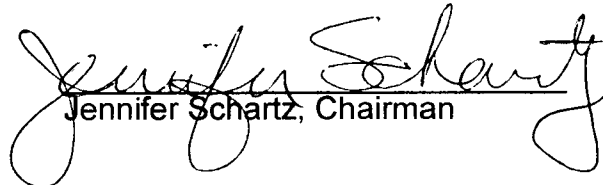
VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Richard Boeckman: Dale Phillips will visit with the Commissioners following the agenda meeting.

VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Schremmer made a motion to adjourn at 9:32 A.M.
Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST: 
Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Jennifer Schartz, Chairman