

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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October 3, 2011

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2011, at the Barton County Courthouse.

*Members present:*

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

*Members absent:*

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman

**I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

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

Commissioner Edmonds moved adoption of the agenda.  
Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Edmonds moved adoption of the minutes of the September 26, 2011 Regular Meeting.  
Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

**.. OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

**III. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD: Ken Fritz, Road and Bridge:**

-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 recognize Ken Fritz, Sign Technician at the Road and Bridge Department. Nominated by another department, reasons include his comprehensive knowledge of sign placement, appreciation of public safety and dedication to the County.

Stan Behrends, Employee Relations Committee, read the nomination letter submitted by Bob Folk, of the Barton County Weed Department.

Ken Fritz explained we probably repair or replace 300 to 400 signs each year that are destroyed by shooting, stealing, etc. The County uses "fold-over" signs that fold-over when large equipment is moved over the roads.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved that we honor Ken Fritz with the Employee Recognition Award.  
Commissioner Edmonds seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.  
Commissioners presented Ken Fritz with the award.

**B. 2011 TAX SALE: Update:**

-The County recently took judgment on the parcels remaining on the 2011 Tax Sale. Owners are able to deem parcels until 3:30 p.m., Friday, October 7, 2011, and the sale will be held in the Courthouse Conference Room at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 11, 2011. At this time, 38 parcels remain.

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Kevin Wondra, County Treasurer, reported the sale date is scheduled for next Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. is the last date to redeem a property. Wondra anticipates 21 parcels to be on the sale.

Commissioner Schremmer questioned a house in Hoisington that is on the sale and noted the bank has a \$53,000+/- note on it.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said Kevin does a thorough job of trying to locate taxpayers to redeem their property.

Information Only. No Action Required.

## **C. LANDFILL: City of Hoisington – City-Wide Clean-Up:**

-Barton County received a request from the City of Hoisington for reduced Landfill rates during their City-wide clean-up. Mark Witt, Landfill Manager, has been authorized to approve the reduction. The event, which runs September 26 through September 30, 2011, is expected to generate 40 tons of waste.

Mark Witt, Landfill Manager, reported he recently received and approved a request from the City of Hoisington for reduced landfill rates during their city-wide clean-up. Hoisington should have finished their clean-up last Friday. Thus far they have received 23.85 tons of municipal solid waste, 17.19 tons of construction and demolition waste and 1.2 tons of mattresses and box springs. The mattresses and box springs are transferred to the Hutchinson Correctional Facility for recycling. Bicycles are sent to the Ellsworth Correctional facility for refurbishing. The total for last week was 42.30 tons and with the 50% reduction, fees totaled \$667.60.

Commissioner Edmonds asked if we had ever considered a clean-up for the non-incorporated areas of the County? Witt said yes, but cost and staffing requirements have prohibited them, but could look at a free day or providing vouchers, etc.

Information Only. No Action Required.

## **D. MEMORIAL PARKS: Veterans' Memorial – Stewardship Fund:**

-Although the County maintains its properties with tax dollars, on occasion, individuals and organizations may wish to donate private or public monies for the purpose of acquiring, building, renovating, repairing or improving one or all of the County's structures and \ or grounds. Because of the possibility of donations, the County created a Stewardship Fund, by Resolution, in 2006. Richard Boeckman, County Counselor \ Administrator, will review the Resolution and how it relates to donations for the Veterans' Memorial.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, presented details.

Information Only. No Action Required.

## **E. COUNTY SERVICES: Informational Update:**

-Mr. Boeckman will provide the informational report of work completed during the last period. The report, which will be made available to the media, will serve as a public reminder of the services provided by the County on a regular basis.

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Commissioner Schremmer asked about the culvert by Barton Lake. Dale Phillips, Road & Bridge Director, said a permit has been applied for on the replacement of the culvert on the township road.

## IV. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

## V. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Richard Boeckman: Dennis Taylor, Kansas Ofc of Repealer, will be at Barton Community College, Room 116, Library "Plaza de Cavanaugh" room at 11am Tuesday 10/04/11.

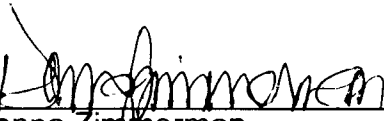
## VI. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Edmonds made a motion to adjourn at 9:36 A.M.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

  
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Donna Zimmerman  
Barton County Clerk

  
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Kenneth Schremmer, Chairman Pro-Tem