

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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October 31, 2011

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 31st day of October 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 Kruckenberg moved to approve the agenda.
Commissioner Cates seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2011 Regular Meeting.
Commissioner Cates seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. POLICY DETERMINATION: Longevity Pay for Eligible County Employees:

-During the 2011 Budget preparation, the subject of Longevity Pay was discussed. It was determined that the use of funds for such a payment would be contingent upon the County's financial condition during the operating year. At this time, the Commission will determine if eligible employees will be awarded longevity.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, provided details.

- Longevity paid at \$3.00 per month full-time employees
- Part-time employees paid at half that rate, \$1.50 per month
- Longevity capped at 20 years

Under these revisions, the maximum amount a full-time employee will receive is \$720, \$360 for part-time employees. With that cap, the total payout is calculated as:

General Fund	\$43,799
General Fund, Elected Officials	\$ 1,893
Central Kansas Community Corrections	\$ 936
20 th Judicial District Juvenile Services	\$ 2,823
Total	\$49,451

There is a \$55,000 balance in line 10-18-4120.

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Commissioner Cates moved to approve the payment of longevity for eligible non-elected employees. The majority of the cost to be paid from the General Fund, Payroll Adjustment line, 10-18-4120, and CKCC and Juvenile Services expenses from their wage lines.

Commissioner Kruckenberg said he was very happy to hear this adjective "non-elected" put in the motion because he did believe in term limits and since this was made he didn't have to do the spiel of Andrew Jackson and the spoils system and he would second the motion.

Commissioner Cates, Commissioner Kruckenberg, Commissioner Schartz, and Commissioner Schremmer voted aye.

Commissioner Edmonds voted nay.

Motion passed 4-1.

B. POLICY DETERMINATION: Employee Recognition, Cash Payment:

-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 formalize a \$50 cash payment to be given to employees, through payroll, upon receipt of the award.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, provided details.

To Backdate the Action to 2008 Honorees, the prize is to be awarded to:

2008 Marty Michaelis, Road and Bridge \ Noxious Weed
Theresa Detherage, Health Department
Priscilla Daniels, County Clerk \ Register of Deeds
Kay Owens, Health Department

2009 Ellen Fischer, Appraiser's Office
Chelsey Clawson, Attorney
Melissa Hagerman, Health Department
Jason Barrett, Communications

2010 Nelson Wharton, Road and Bridge
Connie Miller, Health Department
Roxie Edwards, County Clerk
Bob Folk, Noxious Weed

2011 Pam Luna, Health Department
Paula Lloyd, Sheriff's Office
Ken Fritz, Road and Bridge
Final, Awarded in January of the Following Year

Commissioner Edmonds moved to direct the Administrator's Office, through payroll, to provide a \$50 cash payment, through Courthouse General, to employees honored with the Employee Recognition Award. Said incentive to be backdated for the 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 recipients of the Employee Recognition Award.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. ROAD AND BRIDGE: Rent to Own – Conveyor:

-The Road and Bridge Department utilizes a conveyor to prepare asphalt for the County's road maintenance program. In April, 2011, the Commission approved the rental of a stacker \ conveyor from W. Van Keppel for \$9,300.00 for a 90 day period. That rental cost, with authorization of the Commission, could be put toward the purchase price.

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Dale Phillips, Road and Bridge Director, reviewed options and said it is recommended the equipment on site be purchased, with the rent applied to the purchase price.

CONVEYOR	SIZE	PRICE	RENT PAID	ADJUSTED
Jump	36" X 60'	\$20,452	\$4,200	\$16,252
Stacker	36" X 60'	\$30,252	\$5,100	\$25,152
Total		\$50,704	\$9,300	\$41,404

Commissioner Edmonds asked what is the service life? Dale Phillips said approximately 15 - 20 years.

Commissioner Kruckenberg asked what was the difference between jump and stacker conveyor? Phillips said the jump conveyor comes out of the side of the asphalt plant and moves the asphalt out of the plant on to a stacker conveyor which stacks it up in piles.

Commissioner Edmonds moved to purchase the stackable conveyor and jump conveyor from G. W. Van Keppel Co. at a cost of, \$41,404.00, to be paid from the Road and Bridge Fund, Construction Equipment line, 11-10-4425.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. 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.

Information Only. No Action Required.

IV. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

V. OTHER BUSINESS:


- Kevin Wondra, Co Treasurer: DMV Modernization Project originally scheduled to "go live" July 6, 2011 was moved to December 1st. Wondra read an e-mail from KDOR stating the "go live" date has been postponed again. Wondra said his guess would be the March to June time frame.

Commissioner Edmonds made a motion to adjourn at 9:26 A.M.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Jennifer Scharz, Chairman