

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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May 11, 2009

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 11th day of May 2009, 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
Kirby Krier, Commissioner, 4th District
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

Following a 8:30 A.M. study session, Commissioner Schartz called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve the agenda.
Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2009 Regular Meeting.
Commissioner Krier 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 April 27, 2009 through May 11, 2009.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve appropriations for the period of April 27, 2009 through May 11, 2009.
Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. RESOLUTION 2009-18: A Resolution to Determine the Declaration of Certain Roads as Being of Minimum Maintenance:

-The Commission will consider adoption of Resolution 2009-18, A Resolution to Determine the Declaration of Certain Roads as Being of Minimum Maintenance. The roads being considered under the Resolution are located in Cheyenne Township. By Kansas statutes, the Resolution, in this instance, is used as a means of public notice.

Clark Rusco, County Engineer, said, if approved, the Planning Commission would hold their public meeting June 9th and return the item to the June 15th Commission Agenda.

The five roads being considered for “minimum maintenance”, all being located in Cheyenne Township, are described as:

- Road One – NE 160 Road from NE 40 Avenue to NE 70 Avenue
- Road Two – NE 50 Avenue from NE 140 Road to NE 170 Road

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- Road Three – NE 130 Road from NE 40 Avenue to NE 70 Avenue
- Road Four – NE 50 Avenue from NE 120 Road north 1.5 miles
- Road Five – NE 70 Avenue from NE 130 Road south 1.5 miles

Frank Debes, Cheyenne Township Treasurer, explained that it was suggested at the last township annual meeting to request minimum maintenance roads when needed. He said some of their roads are just grass roads and only used by farmers needing access to their land.

Commissioner Krier moved to adopt Resolution 2009-18, A Resolution to Determine the Declaration of Certain Roads as Being of Minimum Maintenance.

Commissioner Schremmer asked for an extra week so the constituents who called him will have additional time to contact the township trustee.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION:

Commissioner Edmonds moved to table for one week.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

More discussion on procedure, delay and not wanting to ask the township official(s) to attend another Commission meeting.

Commissioner Schremmer agreed to withdraw his second to the substitute motion.

Commissioner Edmonds withdrew his substitute motion.

Commissioner Schartz called for a second to Commission Krier's original motion.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to delay item one week.

Commissioner Edmonds seconded the motion.

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

Commissioner Krier voted nay.

Motion passed 4 – 1.

B. INTRODUCTION: Jonathan Mitchell, Hoisington City Manager:

-In December, 2008, the Hoisington City Council hired Jonathan Mitchell as the City Manager. Mitchell has a master's degree in public administration from Kansas State University. Coming from the City of Ellsworth, Mitchell officially took over the position in March, 2009.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator introduced Jonathan Mitchell to the Commission.

Commissioner Krier moved to welcome Mr. Mitchell to the County.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. PUBLIC DISCUSSION: H1N1 Awareness:

-The Center for Disease Control (CDC) continues to issue and update guidance daily in response to the rapidly evolving H1N1 flu strain situation. This guidance for clinicians on how to identify and care for people who are sick with the illness and includes priorities for testing, treatment and the use of influenza antiviral drugs.

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Lily Akings, Health Director, provided details on local efforts and said our Health Department had received our allotment of anti-virals. Akings reported four (4) H1N1 flu tests have been sent in from BartonCounty.

Amy Miller, Emergency Manager, said we must have a Disaster Declaration in order to release the anti-virals.

Information Only. No Action Required.

D. CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS: Plan Test and Update:

-Barton County provides a variety of critical services to local citizens and businesses. These operations must be performed, or rapidly and efficiently resumed, in an emergency as any disruption to the delivery of services will have a negative impact. Thus, should a major disruption occur, it is imperative that County departments have a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) and organization that can be mobilized immediately to minimize the impact of this disruption. Such a plan was adopted in April, 2008.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, and Amy Miller, Emergency Manager, reported on the plan test and update that was held on Friday, May 8, 2009. Miller said 20 attendees participated in the exercise.

Commissioner Edmonds requested the plan be posted to the Barton County web-page.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

Announcements 2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Comm Scharz: Asked if we had any flooding last week?
- Sheriff Armstrong: Reported a few roads where water crossed over, but nothing major.

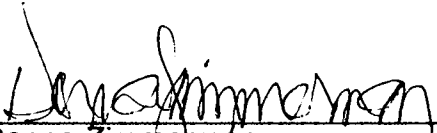
VII. ADJOURN:

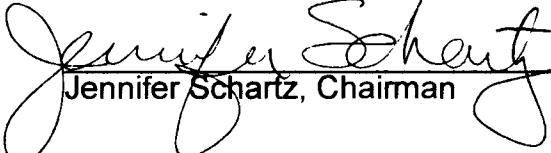
Commissioner Krier made a motion to adjourn at 9:43 A.M.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Jennifer Scharz, Chairman