

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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August 2, 2010

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 2nd day of August 2010, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

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

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Edmonds moved to approve the agenda.
Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2010 Regular Meeting and noted the minutes were well constructed.
Commissioner Schartz 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 July 19, 2010 through August 2, 2010.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve appropriations for the period of July 19, 2010 through August 2, 2010.
Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.
Commissioner Schartz, Commissioner Schremmer, Commissioner Kruckenberg and Commissioner Krier voted aye.
Commissioner Edmonds abstained.
Motion passed 4 – 0.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD: Connie Miller, Health Department:

-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 Connie Miller, Child Care Licensing Surveyor. Ms. Miller was nominated by Janel Rose, a fellow employee. The nomination details the leadership, skill set and dedication in improving the services of local child care providers.

Pam Wornkey, Employee Relations Committee, presented details and Janel Rose, Barton County Health Department, her letter nominating Connie Miller.

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Commissioner Krier moved, in conjunction with the Employee Relations Committee, to honor Connie Miller, Health Department, with the Employee Recognition Award. Commissioner Krier added he also knew Connie and her family from Claflin and they noted they are an awesome family.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. PUBLIC RECOGNITION: Great Bend City Band:

-The Great Bend City Band brings cultural entertainment to this area through their regularly scheduled concerts. Led by Kurtis Koch, Director, the 66-member band is made of up musicians from Barton and surrounding Counties. Music ranges from patriotic to classic to current.

Kurtis Koch, member of the Great Bend City Band, provided details and thanked everyone for recognition and for contributions for air conditioning for indoor concerts during the warm weather. Koch said working with the adult band is fun, but also noted the band includes younger members as young as 14 years.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to honor Koch and the City Band for all they do for this community and to enhance the county.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. 2009 AUDIT REPORT:

-Terry Brown, Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball, will present the 2009 Audit Report to the Commission. The report will cover the financial condition of Barton County from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009.

Terry Brown and Amber Georg of Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball, presented the 2009 Audit Report. Terry Brown reported their firm was moving in the direction of assigning audit teams and reported audits are more and more about compliance.

Amber George read through the management letter and noted there were no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies.

Commissioner Edmonds mentioned an overpayment refund made by the Treasurer's Office in 2010 and asked if we needed to look at internal controls. Brown responded the internal controls were there and said it was caused by human error by not paying attention.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to accept this and commend them (*Adams, Brown Beran & Ball*) for their comments and suggestions.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Edmonds noted this clean audit was largely due to the efforts of Ms. Crane and she is to be complimented for that.

D. 911 EMERGENCY SERVICES TAX RATE:

-Pursuant to KSA 12-5303(c), it is necessary to formally establish a tax rate for 911 services for the upcoming year. The 2010 rate is .75 cents per line per month, the maximum allowable under current statutes. The rate remains unchanged since 1993. Affected telephone companies must be notified of the 2011 tax rate at least 90 days prior to the implementation of the established tax rate.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, provided details and noted the fee is unchanged from past years.

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Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve the 911 tax rate at .75 cents per line, per month for 2011. Direct staff to notify telephone providers as required by Kansas Statutes. Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion passed.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Becky Wornkey: Where do we stand on county employee raises? In looking at what the Commission did last week, Commissioners Kruckenberg, Edmonds & Krier have no intentions of giving any raises. If they would have gone with Comm Schartz's motion, there would have been leeway for raises.
- Comm Krier: It will be discussed today at some point.

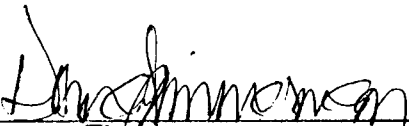
VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Schartz made a motion to adjourn at 9:42 A.M.

Commissioner Edmonds seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:



Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk



Kirby Krier, Chairman