

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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November 9, 2015

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 9th day of November 2015, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District, Chairman

Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District

Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District

Alicia Straub, 4th District

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District (Chairman Pro-Tem)

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2015 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

II APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of October 19, 2015, and ending November 2, 2015. As a reminder, this is an after-the-fact approval given that there was no Commission meeting November 2, 2015.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the appropriations for the period of October 19, 2015 to November 2, 2015 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD: Eric Johnson, Road and Bridge, Employee of the Quarter:

-The Employee Relations Committee (ERC) recommends outstanding individuals for the "Employee Recognition Award". Generally, the recognition is given quarterly. At this time, the Commission will be asked to recognize Eric Johnson, Road and Bridge. Johnson, nominated by a fellow staff member, assisted a citizen following an accident near where Road and Bridge was working.

Bj Wooding, ERC President, presented the award and read John Remmert's nomination letter. Dale Phillips, Road & Bridge/Noxious Weed Director, said he appreciates Eric's efforts as well as the assistance from his coworkers. Eric Johnson said employees may think training is boring, but it is necessary.

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Commissioner Schartz moved to join the ERC in presenting Eric Johnson with the Employee Recognition Award. Commissioner Schartz added that that she is proud there are employees willing to step up and help someone.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. GOLDEN BELT VETERANS MEMORIAL: Dedication of Commemorative Stone 1:

-The Board of County Commissioners is joined by the Memorial Parks Advisory Committee in cordially inviting the public to attend the dedication of the Golden Belt Veterans Memorial Stone, Commemorative Stone 1. The event will be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 11, 2015 – Veterans Day. The Golden Belt Memorial Park is located at 59 NW 50 Road, Great Bend, Kansas. The public is encouraged to bring their own seating.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said Noel Grubb, a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army, and an Ellinwood native, will be coming from Pennsylvania to be the guest speaker. Boeckman said the Great Bend High School band will play at the dedication and noted the program will last 30-45 minutes.

Dale Phillips said a traffic plan has been devised with the help of Undersheriff Bruce Green.

Boeckman said Diana Watson spent a great deal of time talking to Veterans and working on the project. Boeckman said her work is much appreciated.

Information Only. No Action Required.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE: Request for Approval – Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes:

-Barb Esfeld, County Appraiser, will present a Batch #18, a listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes. Orders for these actions are kept on file in the County Clerk's Office. These are used to correct assessments and are requested by the County Appraiser's Office or the County Clerk's Office.

Barb Esfeld, County Appraiser, presented the following orders and noted since we were bringing amended orders in Item C. it was decided to add these instead of holding until the next tax roll:

BATCH #18				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property	- 30312		-\$ 1706.12	\$ 1706.12
Real Estate				
16/20 M Trucks				
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-30312		-\$ 1706.12	-\$ 1706.12
Total Taxes	\$1706.12			
Total Records Selected	5			

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Commissioner Straub moved to approve the Listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes as presented by Barb Esfeld, County Appraiser and direct the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.
 Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE: Request for Approval – Amended Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes:

-Ms. Esfeld will present a listing entitled "Amendments" for Amended Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes. Orders for these actions are kept on file in the County Clerk's Office. These are used to correct assessments and are requested by the County Appraiser's Office or the County Clerk's Office.

Barb Esfeld, County Appraiser, presented the following orders:

AMENDMENTS				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property	- 11459		-\$ 312.70	\$ 312.70
Real Estate				
16/20 M Trucks				
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-11459		-\$ 312.70	-\$ 312.70
Total Taxes	\$312.70			
Total Records Selected	11			

Esfeld said pursuant to new legislation, a \$12 minimum tax is calculated. These records have zero value and should not have had the minimum tax calculated.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the Listing of **Amended** Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes as presented by the County Appraiser and direct the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. BARTON COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD: Board Appointments:

-The County recently sought applicants for the Barton County Community Development Advisory Board (BCCDAB). The BCCDAB advises the Commission on economic and community development matters, monitors the progress of the Barton County Strategic Plan and makes suggestions to the Commissioners concerning the advancement and realization of the plan goals.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said the three whose terms expire have all reapplied and noted there are still two open positions to be filled.

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Current appointments:

APPOINTEE	DISTRICT	DATE APPOINTED	TERM DATE
John Smith	3	10/8/2012	8/1/2015
Mark Mingenback	5	1/2/2013	8/1/2015
Karen Neuforth	5	10/8/2012	8/1/2015
Leon Steiner	1	11/12/2013	8/1/2016
Loren Unruh	2	11/12/2013	8/1/2016
OPEN			8/1/2016
Troy Bailey	4	11/12/2013	8/1/2016
Mary Hoisington	2	10/13/2014	8/1/2017
Bev Komarek	3	11/3/2014	8/1/2017
Shawn Hutchinson	3	10/13/2014	8/1/2017
OPEN			8/1/2017

Current make up by District, should the three be reappointed:

District 1	1
District 2	2
District 3	3
District 4	1
District 5	2

Commissioner Davis moved to appoint:

Mark Mingenback
 Karen Neuforth
 John Smith

to the Barton County Community Development Advisory Board and appointees shall serve an uncompensated term, slated to end August 1, 2018.

Commissioner Scharz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

F. KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES: Annual Meeting Report:

-The Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) held its Annual Meeting beginning November 3, 2015, in Wichita. One item of note determined at the Meeting was the Legislative Policy for 2016. It is anticipated that the attendees will join in providing a public report.

- Comm Scharz: If misery loves company, we were in good company in Wichita. Counties who rely heavily on oil & gas are in a very difficult situation.
- Comm Straub: As the voting delegate, sat in on several sessions including those regarding the tax lid, KPERS, Innovative technology, etc. Feels it necessary to keep up with technology.
- Comm Davis: County should advertise more on social media. Employment applications should be available on-line. More things should be put on the website. Also attended a seminar on trusting each other, the four levels being integrity, intent, capabilities and results.
- Comm Kruckenberg: Unable to attend KAC as he went to Washington DC on an Honor Flight.
- Dale Phillips: Learned KDOT will lose more money. There are 15 employees in the Road Scholar program. KAC recognized Gary Demel for 44 years of service.
- Comm Schremmer: Obtained information for rural communities and AG communities. Attended NACO session.
- Barb Esfeld: Provided information on Senator Melcher's proposal. Melcher doesn't like use value. His proposal would cripple farmers. Urged everyone to talk to their legislators. AG use value will go up in next 3 years.

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V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

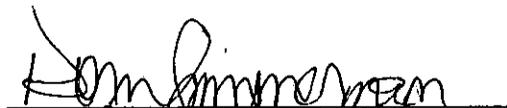
VII. ADJOURN:

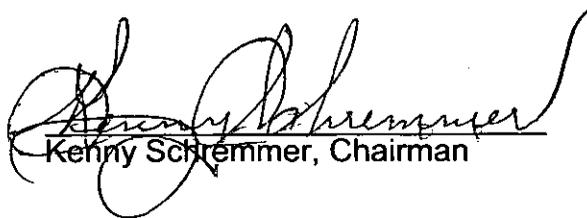
Commissioner Straub made a motion to adjourn at 9:51 A.M.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Kenny Schremmer, Chairman