

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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January 4, 2016

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 4th day of January 2016, 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, Commissioner, 4th District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District (Chairman Pro-Tem)
Bev Schmeidler, Assistant Deputy County Clerk
Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

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

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2015 and the December 28, 2015 Regular Meetings.
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF ENCUMBRANCES:

-A 2015 Encumbrance Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period ending December 31, 2015. Encumbrances, simply, are items or services wherein funds have been committed in the Fiscal Year but the invoice has not been received.

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, said there are encumbrances throughout the year, but this is a group that is done as part of the year end process and noted the amount to be encumbered is \$420,814.60.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the 2015 Encumbrance Listing as presented by Donna Zimmerman 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. COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE: Request for Approval – Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes:

-Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, will present 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.

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, presented the following tax roll adjustments:

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BATCH #4				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property	-36,064		-\$6,011.80	\$1,117.60
Real Estate	- 1,874		-\$ 323.80	\$ 56.02
16/20 M Trucks	- 4,883		-\$ 711.00	\$ 414.88
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-42,821		-\$7,046.60	\$1,588.50
Total Taxes	-\$7,046.60			
Total Records Selected	34			

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the Listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes as reviewed by the County Appraiser and presented by the County Clerk and directed the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

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

B. COUNTY ENGINEER: Kansas Asphalt Paving Association – 2015 Full Depth Paving Award:

-On December 3, 2015, Barton County was given the Kansas Asphalt Pavement Association, Inc., Second Place, 2015 Full Depth Paving Award for Asphalt Pavement. Awarded for “the outstanding engineering contribution to achieve quality hot mix asphalt pavement in Kansas” for the Railroad Avenue project. It is noted that Venture Corporation was the contractor for the project.

Darren Williams, Engineering Technician, said Venture Corp recommended the Railroad Avenue project for the award. Williams said a KAPA representative along with present and former KDOT officials traveled all six districts to look at potential projects nominated for the award. Williams accepted the award on behalf of Barton County and said our project came in 2nd in the State.

Information Only. No Action Required.

C. DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR COUNTY FUNDS:

-A designation of Barton County financial institutions as official depositories comes before the Commission. Such institutions must meet the 100% pledged securities requirement for all County funds. According to County Resolution 2006-23, all depositories must provide to the County Treasurer and the Financial Officer proof of security for these funds whenever such information is requested. Each institution designated as an official depository shall be notified by certified letter that they are required to meet the 100% pledged security.

Kevin Wondra, County Treasurer, provided the following list of depositories proposed for use in 2016:

- American State Bank, Great Bend
- Bank of the West, Great Bend
- Community Bank, Ellinwood / Great Bend
- Farmers Bank and Trust, Albert / Great Bend
- First Kansas Bank, Great Bend / Hoisington / Claflin
- Landmark National Bank, Hoisington / Great Bend
- Sunflower Bank, Ellinwood / Great Bend
- Wilson State Bank, Hoisington

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After approval of the listing, it is customary for the Treasurer's Office to notify the depositories by certified letter that they have been selected for use and must meet the security requirement.

Becky Wornkey asked why the Credit Union is not on the list. Wondra explained, by statute, it has to be through the FDIC.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the following depositories for 2016 as outlined by our Treasurer, Kevin Wondra.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES: 2016 Membership:

-The Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) has submitted a renewal notice for the 2016 membership. Based on a calculation that includes a base fee, population and valuation, the 2016 dues are \$5,925.65. The Association sponsors the annual KAC Conference, various educational meetings throughout the year and lobbies the State and Federal Legislature on behalf of Kansas Counties. KAC will also assist Counties with budgeting, surveys and legislative efforts upon request.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said there are three primary benefits to having the KAC membership: assistance on legislative issues, educational opportunities and the annual conference.

Barton County's fee is determined as follows:

2015 Population	27,385
2015 Assessed Valuation	\$243,482,572
2016 Base Fee	\$ 500.00
Allocation – Population	\$3,039.89
Allocation – Valuation	<u>\$2,385.76</u>
Total	\$5,925.65

The fee was \$5,963.86 for 2013; \$5,991.30 for 2014 and \$5,969.02 for 2015.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the 2016 KAC Membership Dues in the amount of \$5,925.65. That payment is to be made from the Courthouse General Account of the General Fund, Membership line, 001-18-5455.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. BOARD APPOINTMENTS: The Center for Counseling and Consultation:

-The County recently solicited for open positions on The Center for Counseling and Consultation Governing Board. This Board reviews and makes recommendations on mental health services in Barton County and the surrounding area. Elise Snapp has applied for reappointment to a term expiring in December, 2018.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said there had been 3 open positions, but the Commission appointed Commissioner Schartz and Bob Suelter at an earlier meeting.

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Current Board make-up:

APPOINTMENT	DATE APPOINTED	TERM DATE
Elise Snapp	1/2/2013	12/31/2015
Perry Smith	2/10/2014	12/31/2016
Kevin Sundahl	1/21/2014	12/31/2016
Bob Suelter	12/21/2015	12/31/2018
Jennifer Schartz	12/21/2015	12/31/2018

Commissioner Schartz said Elise Snapp is a very conscientious member and is a good addition to the board.

Commissioner Schartz moved to appoint Elise Snapp to The Center for Counseling and Consultation Governing Board. The position, terming December 31, 2018, is uncompensated.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

F. 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.

Commissioner Straub inquired about the possibility of an overhead light at the Hwy 281 / 5-mile blacktop intersection. Barry McManaman said he had information regarding a light.

Commissioner Davis asked when construction on the K-4 Overlook would begin. Richard Boeckman said there are issues with the construction of the tower; however, hopefully it will be dedicated in the fall.

Information Only. No Action Required.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Schartz made a motion to adjourn at 9:25 A.M.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Bev Schmeidler
Barton County Assistant Deputy Clerk


Kenny Schremmer, Chairman