

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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March 20, 2017

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 20th day of March 2017, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tem)
Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District
Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District
Alicia Straub, Commissioner, 4th District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk

Members absent:

Carey Hipp, County Counselor

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Davis moved to amend the agenda under Old Business to add Item A to correct the March 13th motion.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Minutes of the March 13, 2017 Regular Meeting were not available.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of March 6, 2017, and ending March 20, 2017.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve appropriations for the period of March 6, 2017, to March 20, 2017 and authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Commission..

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

ADDED ITEM A. NOXIOUS WEED: Replacement of Spray Truck CORRECTION:

-The Noxious Weed Department utilizes a 2002 GMC Stahley Spray Truck for treating pastures, fallow acres and brush. It is suggested that the unit, which is built onto a 1998 model chassis, be replaced. The Department recommends the purchase of a 2017 Peterbilt 348 PX9 RDS35090 49/42 270hp from Stahly for a quoted price, to include freight, of \$241,304.00. Dale Phillips, Road and Bridge / Noxious Weed / Memorial Parks Director, notes the addition of 300hp and higher torque output will improve operations.

Dale Phillips, Noxious Weed Director, said we need to change the company name to Quality Truck & Equipment Company and change the horsepower to 300hp. Phillips said the cost of the equipment remains the same.

Commissioner Davis moved to correct the March 13, 2017 motion to approve the purchase of a 2017 Peterbilt 348 PX9 RDS35090 49/42 300hp from Quality Truck & Equipment Company for \$241,304.00, which includes freight. Cost to be paid from Equipment Replacement Fund, Equipment Replacement – Noxious Weed Line, 072-00-6480. Move to sell the current 2002 GMC Stahley Spray Truck at auction. Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

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

Commissioner Straub voted nay.

Motion passed 4 - 1.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. NOXIOUS WEED: Recognition of Dale Phillips:

-Dale Phillips, Road and Bridge / Noxious Weed / Memorial Parks Director has worked for Barton County since September 11, 1973. He became the Noxious Weed Director in 1976. Mr. Phillips progressively advanced in his work, eventually overseeing not one, but three departments. At this time, the Commission will be asked to recognize Mr. Phillips for forty years of service as the Barton County Noxious Weed Director.

Dale Phillips said most of the 105 counties in Kansas have a Noxious Weed Director with a few having a combined director like himself. Phillips said he started work with the County in 1973 as a patch boy. In 1975, he was asked to be the Noxious Weed Director and noted there were considerable certifications to pass. Phillips said he still has a lot of the same people working for him and very much respects his time here. Phillips said he was recognized last week at the Noxious Weed Conference for his years of service, which are the most years of service in the State.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to recognize Dale Phillips for serving Barton County for forty years as the Noxious Weed Director and I might add to that he has probably been, I noticed him in various different meetings that we've attended, and he had been noted by others and it seems like everybody huddles around Dale when we go to KAC to get information from him. Congratulations and I hope you hang around.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

The Commissioners presented Phillips with a certificate of appreciation.

B. GREAT PLAINS DEVELOPMENT: Continuation of Membership:

-Great Plains Development assists the County, and its Cities, with Small Business Administration loan applications, Community Development Block Grant writing, economic development revolving loans and community strategic planning. The Commission will be updated on recent programs, new CDBG information on the County and Cities, discussion about CDBG-Revolving Loan fund and possible future changes and new planning services (Strategic Doing) available from GPDI. The Commission will be asked to approve the County's 2017 membership.

(ITEM TABLED)

Commissioner Straub asked that they table this item until further discussion can be had with Bob Wetmore, who was here last week during study session but was kind of rushed because we had a department head meeting scheduled. I know that Bob comes into town every so often. I think we just need a little more discussion on this item with him.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

Commissioner Straub amended her motion to table both Item B and Item C, which is the appointment of a member to that Great Plains Development Board from the Commission.

Commissioner Davis seconded the amended motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

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C. BOARD APPOINTMENT: Great Plains Development:

-As a Great Plains Development member, the County is eligible to make appointment to the Board. At this time, the Commission will be asked to consider the appointment of a Commissioner to the Great Plains Development Board.
(ITEM TABLED)

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:17 A.M.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk

Jennifer Schartz, Chairman