

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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April 10, 2017

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 10th day of April 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
 Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
 Carey Hipp, County Counselor
Members absent:
 Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman

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.

Minutes of the April 3, 2017 Regular Meeting were not available.

OLD 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:

BATCH #8				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property				
Real Estate	-16,646		-\$3,150.52	\$883.09
16/20 M Trucks				
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-16,646		-\$3,150.52	\$883.09
Total Taxes	-\$3,150.52			
Total Records Selected	6			

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

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III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. PROCLAMATION 2017-05: National Public Safety Communications Officers Week, April 9-15, 2017:

-Dena Popp, 911 Director, has asked that the Commission consider the adoption of Proclamation 2017-05, National Public Safety Communications Officers Week. In part, the Proclamation honors Public Safety Communications Officers for their vital role in protecting the life and property of Barton County citizens.

Dena Popp, 911 Director, said National Public-Safety Telecommunications Week was introduced to congress by the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) International in 1991 and is the second full week of April each year. Dispatchers are not normally thought of when thinking about first responders, however, they are the first line to getting help in an emergency. Popp said dispatching is not an easy job, it is more than sitting in a chair, answering phones and listening to radios. The job requires a high level of multi-tasking and involves a high stress level.

Commissioner Schremmer said communications officers probably have one of the toughest jobs.

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt Proclamation 2017-05, National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. PROCLAMATION 2017-06: Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month – April, 2017:

-Central Kansas CASA, Inc. has requested that a Proclamation be adopted declaring April, 2017, as Child Abuse Prevention Month. The Proclamation states that child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure families have the support needed to raise children in a healthy environment and that there are dedicated individuals and organizations in Barton County working to counter these problems.

Caitlyn Eakin, CKCASA Director, said they have a 99% success rate for children served that did not experience a reoccurrence of abuse. 94% of those served experienced stability with their CASA volunteer and 96% did not re-enter CINC Court. Eakin said, in 2016, 1,194 children were served with 1,018 of those involved in substance abuse cases.

Commissioner Straub moved to adopt Proclamation 2017-06, as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month – April, 2017.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. PROCLAMATION 2017-07: Sexual Assault Awareness Month – April, 2017:

-April is designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month to raise public awareness about sexual violence and to educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence. The Family Crisis Center provides services for sexual assault survivors at no charge and offers educational and professional training for community members and professionals.

Joanne Wondra, Family Crisis Center Community Engagement Coordinator, read the proclamation and introduced Becky Davis, Program Director Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Center.

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt Proclamation 2017-07, Sexual Assault Awareness Month – April, 2017.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

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Wondra announced the Red Shoe Event to take place Thursday, April 20th at Jack Kilby Square.

Commissioner Davis reminded everyone this is a fundraiser in addition to being a fun event.

D. SOLID WASTE: Landfill Road Maintenance and Sand Sealing:

-In 2013, approximately one mile of asphalt road inside the Landfill was paved by Venture Corporation. Due to the heavy trucks and traffic at the Landfill, it is recommended that the road be sand sealed to maintain it in good condition. In addition to sand sealing, a portion of the road that was not paved in 2013 would be overlaid with asphalt prior to sand sealing. Landfill management requested that Barton County Road and Bridge perform this task with its regular sand sealing of other roads in the County during the 2017 year. If approved, the cost of performing the overlay and sand sealing is estimated at \$26,000.00 by Road and Bridge management.

Phil Hathcock, Solid Waste Director, presented details and asked for approval.

Commissioner Schremmer said he has had a lot of positive feedback regarding the roads at the Landfill.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve Barton County Road and Bridge staff to perform asphalt overlay and sand sealing at the Barton County Landfill at the cost not to exceed \$26,000.00. Payment to be made from 2017 Solid Waste Budget, Improvement other than Building, Line 140-68-6309.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. MEMORIAL PARKS: Mowing Services Proposal:

On the Monday, April 3, 2017, agenda meeting, the County Commission approved a bid for mowing the Memorial Parks. After award, the bidder turned down the work. It is suggested that the Commission consider hiring the second bid submitted by J & J Construction in the amount of \$1,510.00 per month. Per the bid form, both Memorial Parks must be mowed and kept trimmed to maintain a grass height no higher than 3", with special consideration for holidays. It is anticipated the mowing will be required from April to October, 2017. Monies have been included in the Cemetery Budget for this anticipated expense.

Dale Phillips, Memorial Parks Director, said J&J Construction bid the job at the same price they mowed it for last year and noted mowing will start next week.

The following bids were received:

Dietz Lawn Service, Mike Dietz owner	\$ 800 per month (<i>Bid Rescinded</i>)
J&J Construction, Jim Lloyd owner	\$1,510 per month

Commissioner Davis moved to award the 2017 Mowing Services Proposal to J & J Construction in the amount of \$1,510.00 per month. Billing to be paid from the Cemetery Budget, Professional Services Fees, 004-92-5475-98.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

F. COUNTY SERVICES: Informational Update:

-Kenny Schremmer, Commission Chairman Pro Tem, 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.

Information Only. No Action Required.

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IV. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

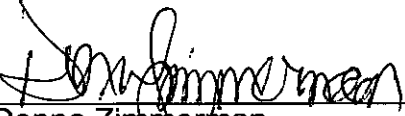
VI. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:34 A.M.

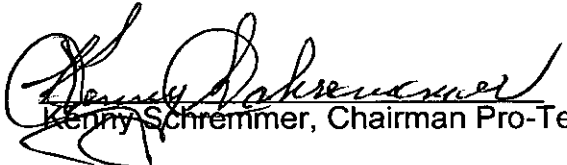
Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:



Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk



Kenny Schremmer, Chairman Pro-Tem

PROCLAMATION 2017-05

National Public Safety Communications Officer Week
April 9-15, 2017

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of all emergency service personnel is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Barton County Communications Center; and,

WHEREAS, Communications Officers are the first and most critical contact citizens have with emergency services; and,

WHEREAS, Communications Officers are the single vital link for emergency responders, monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and insuring their safety; and,

WHEREAS, Barton County Communications Officers have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, declares the week of April 9 – 15, 2017, to be National Public Safety Communications Officer Week in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our communities and citizens safe.

Signed this 10th day of April, 2017.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
BARTON COUNTY, KANSAS

ABSENT

Jennifer Schartz, Chair

Don Davis

Don Davis, Member

Homer Kruckenberg

Homer Kruckenberg, Member

Kenny Schremmer

Kenny Schremmer, Member

Alicia Straub

Alicia Straub, Member

ATTEST:

Donna Zimmerman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk



PROCLAMATION 2017-06

Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month Proclamation – April, 2017

WHEREAS, preventing child abuse and neglect is a community problem that requires all citizens to be involved; and

WHEREAS, child maltreatment occurs when people find themselves in stressful situations without community resources and don't know how to cope; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure families have the support needed to raise children in a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, in Barton County, Kansas, there are dedicated individuals and organizations that work daily to counter the problem of child abuse and neglect and help parents obtain the assistance; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve freedom from verbal abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, and physical abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have warm homes, loving hugs, tender care, parents and adults who listen and promote self-esteem, give quality time, provide necessary food shelter, clothing and attention; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community; and

WHEREAS, through partnerships and collaborations, the Dell Hayden Memorial Child Advocacy, Central Kansas Court Appointed Special Advocates, Department for Children and Families, St. Francis Community Services, Child Abuse Prevention and Education, Great Bend Regional Hospital's SANE Program, Juvenile Services and law enforcement officers work daily to address child abuse and neglect.

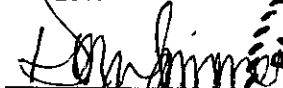
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that the month of April, 2017, is declared as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month; and

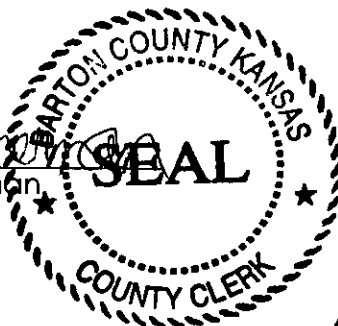
FURTHER, that all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities and businesses are called upon to increase participation in efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the community.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2017

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman,
County Clerk



ABSENT

Jennifer Schartz, Chairman



Don Davis, Commissioner



Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner



Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner



Alicia Straub, Commissioner

PROCLAMATION 2017-07

Sexual Assault Awareness Month – April, 2017

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness Month calls attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every person in Barton County; and

WHEREAS, rape, sexual assault and sexual harassment harm communities as (statistics show) one in five women and one in 71 men will be raped at some point in their lives; and

WHEREAS, child sexual abuse prevention must be a priority to confront the reality that one in six boys and one in four girls will experience a sexual assault before age 18; and

WHEREAS, young people experience heightened rates of sexual violence and youth ages 12-17 are 2.5 times as likely to be victims of rape or sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, on campus, one in five women and one in 16 men are sexually assaulted during their time in college; and

WHEREAS, community members must be educated about sexual violence prevention, supporting survivors and speaking out against harmful attitudes and actions; and

WHEREAS, prevention is possible through increase education, awareness and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, Barton County strongly supports the efforts of the Family Crisis Center, Inc. along with national, state, and local partners, and of every citizen, to actively engage in public and private efforts to prevent sexual violence and create a safer environment.

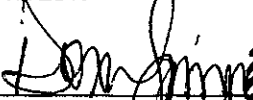
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that April, 2017, is declared as Sexual Assault Awareness Month; and

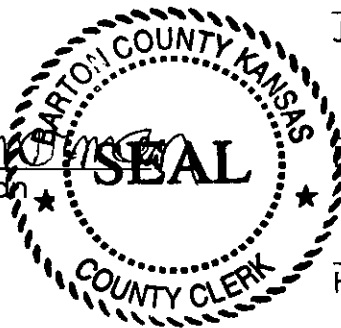
FURTHER, that all citizens are encouraged to learn more about prevention and to be proactive in creating a safer environment.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2017.

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Donna Zimmerman
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