

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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August 19, 2019

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 19th day of August 2019, at the Barton County Courthouse.

*Members present:*

Homer Kruckenber, Commissioner, 2nd District  
Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District  
James R. Daily, Commissioner, 4th District  
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman  
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk  
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator  
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

*Members absent:*

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District *(Chairman Pro-Tem)*

## **I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

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

Commissioner Daily moved to approve the agenda.  
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2019, Regular Meeting.  
Commissioner Daily 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 August 5, 2019, and ending August 19, 2019.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the Accounts Payable Register for the period of August 5, 2019, and ending August 19, 2019.  
Commissioner Daily 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, provided a year-to-date recap and presented the following tax roll adjustments:

BATCH #26				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds

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Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property	- 9,901		-\$1,795.42	\$111.60
Real Estate				
16/20 M Trucks	- 4,458		-\$ 681.64	
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-14,359		-\$2,477.06	\$111.60
Total Taxes	-\$2,477.06			
Total Records Selected	6			

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

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **B. SOLID WASTE: Local Recycling Grant:**

-In the 2019 Operating Budget, the Commission allocated \$15,000.00 under Solid Waste for recycling with an understanding that applications would be accepted locally for the monies. Eligible are any County department, agency, organization, recycling center, city, school district or community college located in Barton County. The application would need to demonstrate a positive economic and environmental impact in the County, be consistent with the Barton County Solid Waste Management Plan, benefit the County and its residents and increase recycling. Rosewood Roots & Wings Foundation and Sunflower Diversified Services both submitted applications.

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator, said we received two applications, one from Sunflower Diversified as expected and one from the Roots & Wings Foundation. Hathcock said they both meet the criteria set forth in the grant application.

Howard Partington, Management Consultant for Rosewood Services said Joel Billinger (*KDHE Bureau of Waste Mgmt*) said they do not need a permit as suggested in a previous study session. Partington noted a permit is only required if they receive lead containing material which will not be accepted. Partington said they will include those details in their e-waste recycling brochure and will also post details on the recycling bin. Partington explained they can retrieve data on hard drives but cannot reclaim materials from the hard drives as that would require a permit. The \$2,000 permit fee also does not apply to municipalities. Partington said there are some real opportunities for the community and read the following quote from Tammy Hammond: "We know that Phil and his staff have worked with recycling for many years. As we move forward with our electronic recycling, we look forward to working with him and us gaining more knowledge and creating a valuable partnership for both of us." Partington said they took Phil Hathcock thru their site last week and invited the Commission to tour their site which is only eight blocks away down Main Street. Partington said there are public education possibilities and said the working relationship with Phil and staff is the key to their success. Partington said they have a load of e-waste now and are going to start the process and asked for their support in the future.

Partington noted Anna Hammond was also present.

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Commissioner Schartz said for years we've only had one applicant and weren't expecting another application. Schartz said Barton County wants to be fair and wants to support everybody because recycling benefits everyone. Schartz said their support of Rosewood will be sort of an in-kind grant this year thru the cooperation with the Landfill.

Commissioner Daily said he appreciated the additional information and commended Howard for doing the hard work.

Commissioner Daily moved to award the 2019 Local Recycling Grant to Sunflower Diversified Services in the amount of \$15,000. That grant allocation to be paid for out of Solid Waste Budget, Recycling Grant Line, 140-68-5905. And we will be providing in-kind services to Rosewood helping them get started on their recycling project in the E-cycling business.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **C. BOARD APPOINTMENT: SouthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging:**

-The County recently sought applicants for one position on the SouthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging (SWKAAA) Sub-Regional Council. SWKAAA helps determine long term needs and adequate programs for all senior citizens in Southwest Kansas. Appointees are required to attend four quarterly meetings per year, with mileage reimbursed. The uncompensated position ends in September, 2022.

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator, said SWKAAA includes 28 counties in Southwest Kansas and said Linn Hogg's appointment expires in 2019.

Linn Hogg said she appreciates the ability to work with seniors and to network with other agencies in the area.

### *Current appointments:*

APPOINTMENT	REQUIREMENT	DATE APPOINTED	TERM DATE
Linn Hogg		8/15/2016	30-Sep-19
Stan Jantz		7/9/2018	30-Sep-21
Kathleen McGinnis		7/9/2018	30-Sep-21

Commissioner Davis moved to re-appoint Linn Hogg to the SouthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging Sub-Regional Council. Uncompensated position ends in September, 2022.

Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **D. CONSIDERATION OF ROAD VACATION: A Portion of NE 210 Road east of NE 140 Avenue, Cleveland Township:**

-Cleveland Township officials requested the vacation of NE 210 Road from the intersection with NE 140 Avenue then east for one-half mile. The adjoining segment of NE 140 Avenue in the east one-half mile of the section was vacated in April, 1995. The Commission viewed the road on August 12, 2019. As is required, adjoining landowners were notified of the viewing and the Agenda meeting. Advertisements were placed in the Great Bend Tribune and the Ellsworth County Independent Reporter.

Barry McManaman, County Engineer, said they received a request from Cleveland Township to vacate a roadway. McManaman said they sent letters to the adjoining landowners and also met for a road viewing last Monday and noted no one was present this morning to make a comment and no objections were

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received. McManaman showed a picture slide show of the area and indicated there is a row of trees at the half mile making it physically impossible to travel.

Commissioner Davis said there was good showing of people at the viewing.

Commissioner Daily moved to approve the Order of Vacation for the following described roadway: All public road right of way along and adjacent to a line beginning at a point twenty five (25) feet east of the Northwest (NW) corner of Section Fourteen (14), Township Sixteen (16) South, Range Eleven (11) West, thence east along the north line of said section to the Northwest (NW) corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Fourteen (14), Township Sixteen (16) South, Range Eleven (11) West.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **E. COUNTY ENGINEER: Kansas Department of Transportation High Risk Rural Roads Project No. 5 C-4965-01:**

-Barton County was awarded Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) High Risk Rural Roads Project No. 5 C-4965-01 which involves signing improvements at the intersection of North Washington Avenue and North 30 Road, as well as the widening of a concrete drainage structure on NW 50 Road east of NW 10 Avenue. KDOT will pay for 90% of the design, construction, and inspection costs. Barton County will pay for 10% of the design, construction and inspection costs and 100% of the costs for right of way and utility adjustments. The KDOT estimate for design, construction, and inspection is \$354,691. KDOT has requested the County's approval of this agreement. If approved, Barton County's share, \$35,469.10 should be encumbered from Federal Funds exchange money. A separate 3-party agreement for the design work will be processed at a later date.

Barry McManaman, County Engineer, said they applied for and received two projects. One is known as JUCO road and one just west of the cemeteries. At this point in time we want to go ahead and encumber our 10% share at an estimated amount of \$35,469.10. McManaman said they are working on the design and will receive a three-party agreement for the design agreement soon.

Commissioner Schartz said we don't know what the design will look like at Washington Road and JUCO Road intersection. McManaman suggested possibilities may include speed devices that will show your speed, active warning devices, signage, warning of approaching traffic, flashing stop signs with LED lights around the perimeter of the octagon sign, etc.

Commissioner Daily suggested raised rumble strips. McManaman said those tend to be temporary as they cause trouble with snow removal, etc.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the Agreement between the Secretary of Transportation, Kansas Department of Transportation, and Barton County, Kansas, for Project No. 05 C-4965-01, Intersection Safety Improvements. Direct the Finance Officer to encumber the \$35,469.10 from the Capital Improvements Fund, Federal Funds Exchange, line 071-00-6336.

Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **F. RESOLUTION 2019-12: Placement of a Stop Sign at the Intersection of Comanche Road and SE 40 Road, Comanche Township:**

-The proposed Resolution calls for the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of Comanche Road and SE 40 Road in Comanche Township. Mr. McManaman made the placement determination as sight distance is limited by trees. The Commission will be asked to consider adoption of the Resolution.

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Barry McManaman, County Engineer, said Commissioner Daily was approached about a stop sign at the intersection. McManaman presented a slide show of the intersection showing there isn't much sight distance as you near the intersection. McManaman recommended the placement of the stop sign.

Sheriff Bellendir asked if there had been an accident history there. Commissioner Daily said there used to be a stop sign there years ago. McManaman said he couldn't find a resolution placing a stop sign there.

Commissioner Daily moved to adopt Resolution 2019-12, Placement of a Stop Sign at the Intersection of Comanche Road and SE 40 Road, Comanche Township.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **V. ENDING BUSINESS:**

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Sheriff Bellendir: Will auction off surplus property Thursday evening at 6pm at the Road & Bridge shop East yard. Asset forfeiture property will not make this sale as they don't have a deed yet. Will include vehicles, equipment, generators, scrap iron, etc.

## **VII. ADJOURN:**

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:40 A.M.

Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

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Donna Zimmerman  
Barton County Clerk

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Jennifer Schartz, Chairman