

**BOARD OF BARTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER AGENDA MEETINGS**

Barton County Courthouse – 1400 Main, Suite 106, Great Bend, Kansas  
Tuesdays, unless otherwise announced, in Regular Meeting – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Agenda Meeting – 9:00 a.m. Until Close

The Commission meeting will be live-streamed through Microsoft Teams. Citizens may view the meeting through their own sign in or by signing in “anonymously”. Please follow this link: <https://bit.ly/4jRATgr>. If you wish to participate in the discussion of any item, please call (620) 793-1800 for instructions.

**BOARD OF BARTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1**

Agenda Meetings, May 5, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Until Close

**I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

- A. Call Meeting to Order.
- B. Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Consider Approval of the Agenda.
- D. Consider the minutes of the April 28, 2026, Regular Meeting.
- E. Any citizen wishing to make statements during the discussion of any item must first be recognized by the Commission Chair. After being recognized, that person should state their name and the name of any organization represented. Statements should be limited to five minutes.
- F. Please silence all phones and electronic devices. Recording the meeting is allowed and the Commission requests that anyone using special recording equipment be seated in the back row to avoid creating a distraction during the meeting.

**II. OLD BUSINESS - Items tabled, or scheduled, from previous Commission Meetings, will be heard at this time.**

-There is no Old Business at this time.

**III. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:**

-Bev Schmeidler, County Clerk, will present details. An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of April 21, 2026, and ending May 5, 2026.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS - All new business to be considered by the Commission will be heard at this time.**

**ITEM A. RESOLUTION 2026-12: A Resolution Transferring and Carrying Over 2025 Unexpended Funds to the Capital Improvement Fund:**

-Matt Patzner, County Administrator, will present details. After accounting of all 2025 transactions, monies are suggested for transfer to the Capital Improvement Fund.

**ITEM B. CENTRAL KANSAS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Budgeting Transfer:**

-Mr. Patzner will provide details. Earlier this year, Central Kansas Community Corrections (CKCC) sold a vehicle and proceeds were to be used to offset the purchase of a vehicle better suited to departmental needs. The Commission is asked to approve the transfer of certain monies from CKCC Fund 095 to the CKCC – Reimbursements Fund 096 as is allowed by the Kansas Department of Corrections.

**ITEM C. LETTER OF SUPPORT: City of Great Bend – Kansas Transportation Alternatives Program Grant Application – 10<sup>th</sup> & Main ADA Pedestrian Crossing Improvements:**

-Mr. Patzner will provide details. The City of Great Bend has asked the County to provide a letter of support for the grant application for the proposed pedestrian crossing improvements at the intersection of 10th Street (US-56) and Main Street (US-281), Great Bend, Kansas. This intersection plays an important role in the overall transportation network serving Barton County and surrounding communities. With no marked pedestrian crossings, there are safety concerns for pedestrians navigating the high-volume roadway. The proposed improvements will enhance safety, improve accessibility and better accommodate all users within this critical part of the transportation system.

**ITEM D. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

-Chairman Duane Reif will present. Any Commissioner may make a motion for the board to recess to executive session at this time as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319. Any motion must contain the justification for the executive session, the subject matter to be discussed, any individuals in addition to the board who will attend the executive session and the time at which the regular session shall resume.

**V. ENDING BUSINESS – After new items are heard by the Commission, the following items, including announcements, will be heard.**

**A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

-Following the close of the Agenda Meeting, the Commission will consider the authorization of personnel changes for classified positions, sign any documentation approved during the agenda meeting or sign any other documentation required for regular County business. Similar action may take place throughout the day.

**B. APPOINTMENTS:**

-Although subject to change, the following appointments have been scheduled:

9:45 a.m. or following the close of the Commission Agenda Meeting – The Commission will meet at the Board of Fire District No. 1.

10:00 a.m. or following the close of the Fire District No. 1 Agenda – Planning Session with Media Consultant.

10:15 a.m. – Regular Business Discussion – Matt Patzner, County Administrator.

10:30 a.m. – Program Update – Brooke Haulmark, CKCC Director.

11:00 a.m. – Recycling Grant Applications Review – Jennifer Hamby, Solid Waste Director.

11:15 a.m. – The Commission will continue business discussions.

THE COUNTY EDITION, KVGB-AM – Thursdays at 11:05 a.m. Sheriff Brian Bellendir is scheduled for May 7, 2026.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS:**

- A. Discussion Items.
- B. Citizens or organizations may present requests or proposals for initial consideration.
- C. The Commissioners are available to the Public on Tuesdays during regular business hours.
- D. One or more Commissioners may be present in the Commission Chambers conducting county business throughout the day on Tuesdays.
- E. The Commissioners may, individually, schedule personal appointments related to County business at their discretion.
- F. The next Regular Meeting will be at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

**VII. ADJOURN.**

# **GOVERNING BOARD OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1**

## Agenda Meeting

Following the Close of the Commission Meeting Until Close

### **I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

- A. Call Meeting to Order.
- B. Consider Approval of the Agenda.
- C. Consider the minutes of the August 19, 2026, Regular Meeting.
- D. Any citizen wishing to make statements during the discussion of any item must first be recognized by the Commission Chair. After being recognized, that person should state their name and the name of any organization represented. Statements should be limited to five minutes.
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### **II. OLD BUSINESS - Items tabled, or scheduled, from previous Commission Meetings, will be heard at this time.**

There is no Old Business at this time.

### **III. NEW BUSINESS - New business being considered will be heard at this time.**

#### **ITEM A. RESOLUTION 2026-01: Resolution Transferring and Carrying Over 2025 Fire District No. 1 Unexpended Funds to the Special Equipment Fund:**

-Matt Patzner, Barton County Administrator, will provide details. Fire District No. 1, created to provide fire protection to a portion of northeastern Barton County, is financed by the City of Claflin and Cheyenne, Independent and Logan Townships. The Board will consider transferring remaining 2025 funds to the Fire District's Special Equipment Fund.

**ITEM B. RATIFY THE PURCHASE OF A 2003 STEWART AND STEVENSON TRUCK:**

-Mr. Patzner will present details. Fire District No. 1 had the opportunity purchase a 2003 Stewart and Stevenson truck from the Deerfield Fire Department in Deerfield, Missouri, for \$16,150.00. Monies are available in the Fire District No. 1 fund for this purchase.

**IV. OTHER BUSINESS:**

- A. Discussion Items.
- B. Citizens or organizations may present requests or proposals for initial consideration.
- C. Announce next Regular Meeting of the Fire District will be announced at a later date.

**V. ADJOURN.**