

Clafin Fire District No. 1 Agenda Meeting Minutes

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August 16, 2021

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 16th day of August 2021, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kirby Krier, Commissioner, 1st District
Barb Esfeld, Commissioner, 2nd District
Shawn Hutchinson, Commissioner, 3rd District
James R. Daily, Commissioner, 4th District, Chairman
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator
Doug Hubbard, Clafin Fire Chief
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

Commissioner Daily called the meeting to order at 10:06 A.M.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Hutchinson seconded the motion.

Commissioner Esfeld said she had a correction, it is Monday, not Wednesday, August 16th.

Commissioner Daily asked with the correction if the motion and second was approved again.

Both acknowledged affirmatively.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Esfeld moved to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2021, Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Hutchinson seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. KANSAS FORESTRY GRANT: Volunteer Fire Assistance – Portable Fire Pump:

-Fire District No. 1 has been awarded \$3,854.00 in Kansas Forest Service / Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) grant funding for a portable fire pump and accessories. Chief Doug Hubbard has received a quote from Emergency Fire Equipment for \$3,403.27 that includes a suction hose kit, 100 feet of discharge hose and the "Roll Cage" for mounting and carrying the pump. As the grant requires a 50% match, Fire District No. 1 is responsible for \$1,701.64 of the cost.

Chief Hubbard said they were initially awarded a grant for \$3,854 but will use \$3,403.27. They will pay the total cost and the Clerk's office will provide a copy of the PO and the invoice to send to the Forestry Service in Manhattan for reimbursement. They will be reimbursed for half of the cost. Hubbard said he was requesting approval since the initial purchase is over \$2,000. Hubbard said they had a fire pump, but that tanker is out of service now.

Commissioner Krier said an example where the pump would be used is the fire out at Camp Aldrich.

Commissioner Hutchinson asked if the county could build a water pit at the landfill. Hathcock said they have a couple of ponds, but they are far.

Hubbard said when the Camp Aldrich conference center and dining hall were rebuilt, they were required to put in water storage. They now have 20,000 gallons of water storage which wouldn't have been

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Doug as they put 50,000 gallons on the Camp Aldrich fire. They have a dry hydrant which means it isn't pressurized and would have to pump out of it. Hubbard said the college has given them permission to use it.

Commission Schartz asked what happens with the extra unused funding. Hubbard said it stays with the Forestry Service.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved approve the \$3,403.27 purchase of a portable fire pump and accessories from Emergency Fire Equipment. Cost to be paid from the Kansas Forest Service / Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) grant with the required match of \$1,701.64 being paid from the Fire District No. 1 Fund, Vehicular Equipment Line, 055-05-6205.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

- Doug Hubbard: Working on another grant that does not require a match. Still working on the RFP.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Comm Krier: Complimented Doug on his years of service on the fire district and also for his service on the city council.
- Comm Hutchinson: How often to you get called out of your territory. Hubbard said probably six times so far this year. Went to Rice County for a burning semi, responded to a grass fire and the landfill fire. Probably closer to ten times.
- Comm Hutchinson: Lithium batteries like you put in your DeWalt tools can cause fires at the landfill.

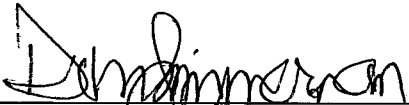
V. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Krier made a motion to adjourn at 10:22 A.M.

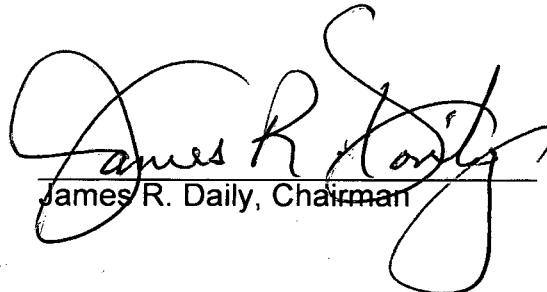
Commissioner Hutchinson seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:



Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk



James R. Daily, Chairman