

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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May 18, 2015

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 18th day of May 2015, at the Barton County Courthouse.

*Members present:*

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

## **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.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2015 Regular Meeting.  
Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:**

Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of May 4, 2015, and ending May 18, 2015.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve appropriations for the period of May 4, 2015 to May 18, 2015 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.  
Commissioner Davis 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 for 2014:**

-Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, will present a listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes for 2014. 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 #10         |          |               |                |             |
|-------------------|----------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| Property Types    | Values   | Escaped Taxes | Added / Abated | Refunds     |
| Gas               |          |               |                |             |
| Oil               | -127,836 |               | -\$16,275.68   | \$20,567.01 |
| Personal Property | 5,273    | \$984.34      | \$ 096.66      | \$ 011.39   |
| Real Estate       | - 4,861  |               | -\$ 816.94     | \$ 408.08   |
| 16/20 M Trucks    |          |               |                |             |

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|--------------------------|--------------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| State Assessed Utilities |              |          |              |             |
| Special Assessments      |              |          |              |             |
| <b>Grand Totals</b>      | -127,424     | \$984.34 | -\$17,189.28 | \$20,986.48 |
| Total Taxes              | -\$16,204.94 |          |              |             |
| Total Records Selected   | 14           |          |              |             |

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the Listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes for 2014 as presented by the County Clerk and reviewed by the County Appraiser and directed the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.  
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

**B. INTRODUCTION OF GREAT BEND CHIEF OF POLICE CLIFF COUCH:**

-The City of Great Bend hired Cliff Couch as the Chief of Police earlier this year. Sheriff Brian Bellendir will introduce Chief Couch to the Commission.

Police Chief Couch said he was the former Goodland Chief of Police and noted he was originally from Florida.

Richard Boeckman said the recent "Shooter in the Building" presentation by Officers Davis and Settle of the Great Bend Police Department was well attended and appreciated by the employees. Officer Davis said the presentation was a small part of a large scale vulnerability review.

Information Only. No Action Required.

**C. SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Ratify the Purchase of a Replacement Patrol Car:**

-An officer had a motor vehicle accident earlier this year and totaled a 2013 Dodge Charger. As a result, the Sheriff's Office initiated the process to replace the vehicle. Selected for purchase was a brand new 2014 Dodge Charger, priced at \$22,000.00 from Davis Moore of Wichita. The price is offset by the insurance claim, less deductible, of \$15,350.00.

Sheriff Bellendir said Marmies quoted a new 2014 Dodge Charger at \$24,500. Their department learned Davis Moore of Wichita purchased several new Chargers last year for a customer who failed to follow through on the purchase. As a result, Davis Moore is selling the surplus Chargers at drastically reduced prices. Since the wrecked vehicle and the new vehicle are both Chargers, all law enforcement related equipment will fit the new car. This is a police package unit with all the necessary wiring, etc.

Commissioner Schartz moved to ratify the purchase of the 2014 Dodge Charger from Davis Moore for \$22,000.00, to include the payment from the Sheriff's Office account of the General Fund, Vehicular Equipment Line, 001-12-6205.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.  
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

Sheriff Bellendir said Amy Miller secured a grant for a new Generac generator for the Sheriff's Department which was also picked up in Wichita when they picked up the vehicle.

**D. SOLID WASTE: Report – City-Wide Clean Ups 2015, to Date:**

-Generally, the Landfill allows a 50% reduction in fees for a City-wide clean-up, limited only to sanitary refuse waste and construction and demolition materials that are properly sorted. Although there is a reduction in Landfill revenues, local clean-ups may limit the amount of illegal dumping in the rural areas of Barton County. Avoided costs in cleanup offset the loss of revenue. In addition, there is an economic

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benefit to community beautification efforts. To date in 2015, Albert, Claflin, Ellinwood and Olmitz have held City-Wide Clean-Ups.

Phil Hathcock, Landfill Director, provided details

2015 data for clean-ups includes:

|           |                                   |                    |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Claflin   | 19.38 Tons of MSW @ \$19/Ton      | \$368.22           |
| Ellinwood | 20.45 Tons of MSW @ \$19/Ton      | \$388.55           |
| Ellinwood | .52 Tons of Mattresses @ \$16/Ton | \$ 10.00 (Minimum) |
| Albert    | 5.61 Tons of MSW @ \$19/Ton       | \$106.59           |
| Olmitz    | 1.60 Tons of MSW @ \$19/Ton       | \$ 30.40           |
|           | Total                             | \$903.76           |

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Commissioner Davis asked if the City of Great Bend has planned a clean-up. Hathcock said he hasn't heard of any plans for one.

## V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

## VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Don Wolf, Pawnee Rock Township Resident: A culvert is cut and fills with sand. Has contacted Liberty Township Officials, but nothing has been done. Presented pictures and asked the Commissioners to sit with Liberty Township about getting the problem fixed.
- Richard Boeckman: Bob Peter has resigned as Ellinwood City Administrator. Introduced Bud Newberry as the new City Administrator.
- Bud Newberry: Flooding and a downtown building project are current issues.

## VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Schartz 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