

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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January 9, 2017

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 9th day of January 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, Chairman
Alicia Straub, Commissioner, 4th District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District
Bev Schmeidler, Assistant Deputy County Clerk

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the agenda.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2017 Regular Meeting.
Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS: 13th Month:

Accounts Payable Register for the 13th Month, 2016, will be submitted to the Commission.
Thirteenth month expenditures include any unpaid bills for a product, service, or utility that has actually been received in 2016.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve appropriations for the first round of 13th month payables for the 2016 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.
Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

IV. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE:

A. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE: County Officials:

-The County recognizes that persons holding elected positions give a great deal of themselves. Elected officials must always be available to the public, taking away time from personal commitments. In light of the service provided to the citizens of Barton County, the Commission will recognize Doug Matthews, County Attorney, for outstanding community service.

Doug Matthews, Barton County Attorney, said 12 years of service as the County Attorney has been a lot of fun and the biggest challenge of his life. Matthews said a lot of cases have come and gone, some very important. Matthews said he felt he was leaving the office in a better place than he found it and noted "Service to the public, Service to Barton County" has always been the watch word. Matthews said he is leaving the office in very good hands.

Commissioner Davis presented Matthews with a clock.

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Commissioner Schartz said the inscription reads "Justice is doing for others what we would want done for ourselves. For always seeking justice, our gratitude."

Commissioner Schartz moved to recognize Doug Matthews, County Attorney, for his dedicated service to Barton County and its citizens.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

V. RECESS FOR SWEARING IN OF OFFICIALS:

-The following officials will be sworn in: Don Davis and Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioners; Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk; Pam Wornkey, Register of Deeds; Amy Mellor, County Attorney and Sheriff Brian Bellendir. James Jordan will be sworn in as the Treasurer, although his term will begin later in the year. The swearing in ceremony will be held at 9:15 am in Courtroom A. Following the ceremony, the County will host a reception in the Courthouse rotunda.

At 9:07 A.M. Commissioner Schartz moved to recess the agenda meeting to allow for the swearing in of officials, the swearing in of the Sheriff's Officers and a reception. The agenda meeting will resume no earlier than 9:45 a.m.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

VI. SWEARING IN OF SHERIFF'S OFFICERS - 9:30 a.m.

-Officers of the Barton County Sheriff's Department will be sworn in.

RETURN - The Commission will return to Chambers at 9:45 a.m.

At 9:49 A.M. Commissioner Schartz moved to return to the agenda meeting.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. ELECTION FOR CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEM OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

-Nominations are in order for the 2017 Commission Chairman and Chairman Pro Tem as is allowed under Kansas Statute 19-219. The Board of County Commissioners consists of Commissioners Don Davis, Homer Kruckenberg, Jennifer Schartz, Kenny Schremmer and Alicia Straub.

Commissioner Kruckenberg said we've had some rough times here lately and Jennifer Schartz has done a nice job of keeping things in order and moving along.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to nominate her and while leaning on experience, I'd also like to make Mr. Schremmer the Vice-Chairman, or the Pro-Tem as you call it.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. RESOLUTION 2017-01: Operating Year 2017 - Requesting Waiver Under K.S.A. 751120a:

-It is standard procedure to request a waiver of the requirements of K.S.A. 751120a relating to the preparation of financial statements and financial reports each year. The basis is that statements prepared in conformity with this statute are of no significant value to Barton County nor to the general public.

Walt Patzner, Finance/Human Resource Officer, presented details.

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Commissioner Davis moved to adopt Resolution 2017-01, Requesting a Waive under KSA 75-1120a.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. RESOLUTION 2017-02: Designation of the Official County Newspaper:

-Resolution 2017-02 calls for the designation of the official County newspaper. The newspaper selected must meet the qualifications as prescribed by K.S.A. 64101. To meet this statute, and to best reach the citizens of Barton County, the Commission shall consider the designation of The Tribune.

Commissioner Davis moved to designate the Official County Newspaper as The Great Bend Tribune.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. EMERGENCY RISK MANAGEMENT: Local Emergency Planning Committee:

-The Barton County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) is comprised of representatives from the following groups: state/local officials; law enforcement; firefighting; emergency management; health; hospital; broadcast media and/or communications media; transportation; local environmental group; community service/civic group; emergency medical services; and facilities/industries regulated by SARA Title III. Nominations have been sought for appointment according to LEPC bylaws.

Amy Miller, Emergency Risk Manager, said they take names every year with half of the committee being appointed each year.

Reappointments:

Steve Billinger, Barton County Sheriff's Office
Doug Hubbard, Claflin Fire Department, Fire Chief
Mary Hoisington, Great Bend Tribune, Publisher
Jane Schepmann, Clara Barton Hospital, Director of Nursing
Shelly Schneider, Barton County Health Department, Director

New Appointments:

Stanley Jantz, Sons of the American Legion, Civic Group
Steve Webster, KVGB-KHOK, News Director
Donna Zimmerman, Barton County Clerk, Elected Official
William "Bill" King, MD, Great Bend

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the Membership List of the Barton County Local Emergency Planning Committee as stated by Amy Miller.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Schartz asked Miller if this was a full committee now, Miller said yes, it is.

E. SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Purchase of a Replacement Vehicle:

-The Sheriff is in the process of equipping the detective position. Since the position was authorized, plans have included an additional department vehicle. It is the intent of the Commission to authorize the Sheriff to expend up to \$17,500.00 from Equipment Replacement on a vehicle, with the vendor and actual amount to be provided at a later date.

Sheriff Brian Bellendir was not able to be present. Commissioner Schartz explained they had a study session regarding the purchase earlier and had enough information to make a decision.

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Commissioner Schremmer moved to authorize the Sheriff to expend up to \$17,500.00 of Equipment Replacement Funds on a vehicle, said funds to be paid from Equipment Replacement – General Line, 072-00-6380. Any excess shall be paid from the Sheriff's Account of the General Fund. Prior to the funds being expended, the vendor and actual amount shall be provided.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

Commissioner Davis added for the public's knowledge, there was a glitch with the decimal point in the County budget which is why it is done this way.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

IX. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

X. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Comm Davis: Dale Phillips will be doing the County Edition Thursday.
- Comm Straub: There will be a KLPG meeting in Topeka on January 24-25. She will attend if anyone wants to share any input with her

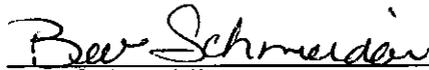
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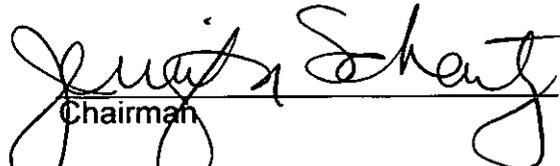
Commissioner Straub made a motion to adjourn at 10:03 A.M.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Bev Schmeidler
Barton County Assistant Deputy Clerk


Chairman

RESOLUTION 2017-01
OPERATING YEAR 2017
REQUESTING WAIVER UNDER K.S.A. 75-1120a

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, has determined that the financial statements and financial reports for the year ended December 31, 2017, to be prepared in conformity with the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) are not relevant to the requirements of the cash basis and budget laws of this State and are of no significant value to the Commission or the members of the general public of Barton County; and

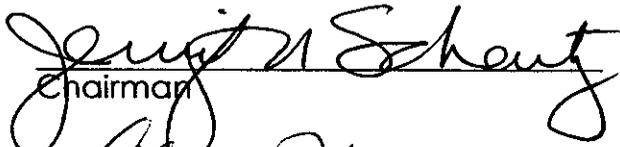
WHEREAS, there are no revenue bond ordinances or resolutions or other ordinances or resolutions of the County which require financial statements and financial reports to be prepared in conformity with K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) for the year ended December 31, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, in regular meeting, that the Commission waived the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) as they apply to Barton County for the year ended December 31, 2017.

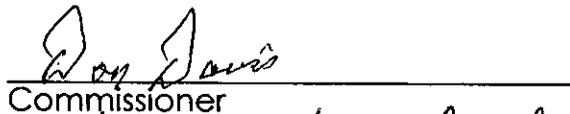
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission shall cause the financial statements and financial reports of Barton County to be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted to show compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of this State.

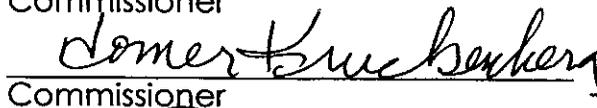
MOTION MADE, SECONDED and unanimously approved on this 9th day of January, 2017.

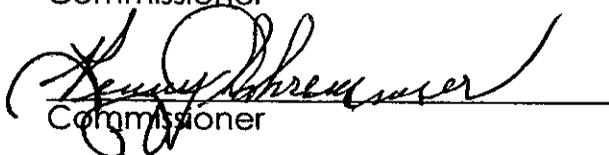
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Chairman

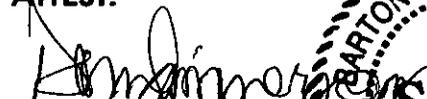

Commissioner


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ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Allen Glendenning
Watkins-Calsara

RESOLUTION 2017-02

Designation of the Official County Newspaper

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, shall designate by resolution a newspaper to be the official County newspaper per K.S.A. 64-101(b); and

WHEREAS, the newspaper selected must meet the requirements of K.S.A. 64-101(b)(1) through (4), et. seq.; and

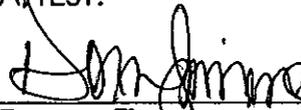
WHEREAS, the Commission believes that the citizens of Barton County will best be served by designating the newspaper with the largest circulation in the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that The Tribune, circulating from Great Bend, Kansas, is designated as the official County newspaper.

MOTION MADE, SECONDED and unanimously approved on this 9th day of January, 2017.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

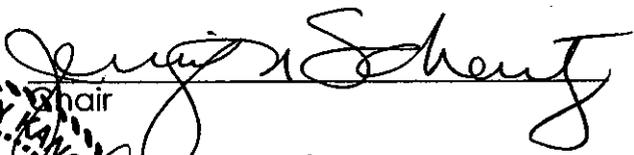
ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
County Clerk

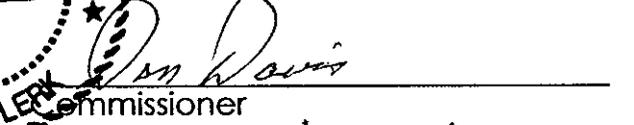
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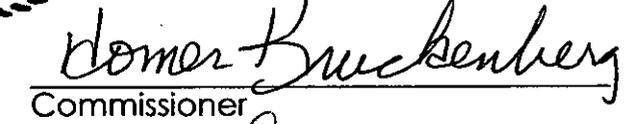

Allen Glendenning,
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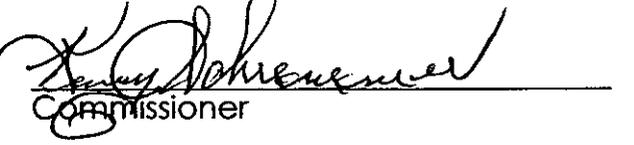
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Chair


Commissioner


Commissioner


Commissioner


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