

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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May 15, 2017

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 15th day of May 2017, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tem)
Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District
Alicia Straub, Commissioner, 4th District
Jennifer Scharz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Carey Hipp, County Counselor

Members absent:

Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Item E. Temporary Staffing with Amy Boxberger of Central Kansas Community Corrections.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Minutes of the May 8, 2017 Regular Meeting were not available.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of May 1, 2017, and ending May 15, 2017.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve appropriations for the period of May 1, 2017, to May 15, 2017 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission..

Commissioner Schremmer 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, presented the following tax roll adjustments:

| BATCH #12 | | | | |
|-------------------|--------|---------------|----------------|----------|
| Property Types | Values | Escaped Taxes | Added / Abated | Refunds |
| Gas | | | | |
| Oil | | | | |
| Personal Property | -3,980 | | -\$779.92 | \$743.92 |
| Real Estate | | | | |

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|--------------------------|-----------|--|-----------|----------|
| 16/20 M Trucks | | | | |
| State Assessed Utilities | | | | |
| Special Assessments | | | | |
| Grand Totals | -3,980 | | -\$779.92 | \$743.92 |
| Total Taxes | -\$779.92 | | | |
| Total Records Selected | 4 | | | |

Commissioner Straub moved to approve of the Listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes as reviewed by the County Appraiser and presented by the County Clerk, Donna Zimmerman, and direct the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.
 Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. GOLDEN BELT VETERANS MEMORIAL: Stone III, Donation - World War II Veterans:

-The VFW, Post 3111, Auxiliary will donate monies to be used to honor veterans from Barton County. Ten World War II soldiers that have been identified as being KIA (killed in action), MIA (missing in action), DOW (died of wounds) or DNB (died - not in battle) were selected. Richard Charles, Chaplain, will present the County with the funds that will be used to purchase these engravings.

Diana Watson said Mr. Charles will have both his father and grandfather listed on the third memorial stone and is anxious to see it placed soon. Watson said, however, we are only up to line 309 of 520 lines. Watson said Mr. Charles recently went to his VFW and asked if they could get more names for the stone.

Richard Charles, Chaplain, presented a check for \$450 to pay for ten veterans.

Watson read the names of the ten men who all died during WWII and noted the names were selected by Karen Neuforth from the Historical Society.

Commissioner Davis said the VFW in Hoisington wanted a stone all to themselves and suggested they might be willing to consider having just one side on this third stone.

Commissioner Schartz thanked Mr. Charles for taking the extra step and getting the donations.

Charles thanked Barton County for honoring the veterans.

Commissioner Schremmer complimented Diana Watson for her work on this project.

Information Only. No Action Required.

C. RSVP / VIA OF CENTRAL KANSAS: Support of Funding for the Corporation for National and Community Service Programs:

-The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) programs engage more than 344,000 Americans in results-drive service at more than 50,000 locations across the country each year. Local programs under the CNCS umbrella include Meals On Wheels, Medical Transportation, SHICK (Medicare Counseling) and AARP Tax Aid program. Linn Hogg, RSVP / Volunteers in Action Director, will ask that the Commission consider signing an electronic letter of support for continued funding.

Linn Hogg, RSVP/Volunteers in Action Director, thanked the Commissioners for their past support of the medical transportation program and asked the Commission to sign a letter of support to the Federal government to preserve funds.

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Commissioner Straub moved to direct the Commissioners' Assistant to electronically sign that Letter of Support on behalf of the Barton County Commission.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: Replacement of the County's Firewall:

-With the ever-changing world of computer hackers, ransomware attacks, malware threats and virus attacks, it is suggested that the County update its firewall with a security suite from Nex-Tech.

John Debes, Information Technology Director, said the current firewall is almost 4 years old and noted it is paired with the Comprehensive Gateway Security Suite which will expire October 31, 2017. Support for the suite ends March 30, 2018.

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, said she learned at the Kansas County Clerk and Election Officials' Conference there was concern regarding hacking and heard Kansas may be targeted due to its position on immigration issues.

Commissioner Straub moved to purchase an updated security suite from Nex-Tech for a total cost of \$4,578.61. That cost to be paid from the Equipment Replacement Fund, General Use Line, 072-00-6380. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ADDED ITEM E. CKCC: Temporary Staffing Agreement:

-Temporary Staffing from Sunrise Staffing Services LLC

Boxberger, CKCC Director expressed her gratitude to the Commission for allowing the use of the floater position. Boxberger said Mary Bitter has been a great deal of help while they have had an employee on extended leave. Boxberger requested they be able to enter into a work contract with Sunrise Staffing Services LLC and noted the contract can term anytime without obligation. Boxberger explained there are funds available for this temporary position and said they will pay a 1.47% service fee, but will not pay insurance or benefits.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the contract with Sunrise Staffing Services LLC for Amy's office. Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Shelly Schneider, Health Director: Meningitis fatality this past week. Unknown initial contact. Family helped determine who had contact with the deceased. They visited with 28 individuals. Do not know of any other cases at this time. Meningitis vaccine covers ages 11 to 55.
- Comm Straub: Attended KAC Regional Supper last Thursday in Pawnee County. Ag land value was the hot topic. Peak years really affect farmers.

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VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:31 A.M.
Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:



Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk



Jennifer Schartz, Chairman