

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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February 5, 2018

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 5th day of February 2018, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tem)
Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Phil Hathcock, Operations Director
Carey Hipp, County Counselor

Members attending by phone:

Alicia Straub, Commissioner, 4th District

Members absent:

Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

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

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2018, Regular Meeting.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS: 13th Month – 3rd Run:

-An Accounts Payable Register for the 13th Month, 2017, will be submitted to the Commission. Thirteenth month expenditures include any unpaid bills for a product, service, or utility that have actually been received in 2017.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve appropriations for the third round of the 13th month payables for 2017 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of January 22, 2018, and ending February 5, 2018.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve appropriations for the period of January 22, 2018, to February 5, 2018 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.
Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

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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 #8				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property	- 1,564		-\$ 279.80	\$ 100.61
Real Estate	-43,833		-\$8,030.38	\$2,226.33
16/20 M Trucks	- 2,063		-\$ 315.66	\$ 315.66
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-47,460		-\$8,625.84	\$2,642.60
Total Taxes	-\$8,625.84			
Total Records Selected	16			

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

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. PUBLIC INFORMATION: Kansas Wetlands Education Center:

-The Kansas Wetlands Education Center (KWEC), a branch of the Sternberg Museum of Natural History, is operated by Fort Hays State University personnel. The facility overlooks the 19,857 acre Cheyenne Bottom Wildlife Area managed by the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Park and Tourism and the 7,694 acre Cheyenne Bottoms Preserve managed by The Nature Conservancy.

Curtis Wolf, KWEC Director, provided an update and said their total contacts were over 24,000 which increased approximately 6½% from 2016. Wolf said a big part of that were the drop-in visitors which was up over 8% for about 8,000 drop-in visitors. Program offerings increased to a total of almost 700 programs, with almost 500 of these programs provided for schools. Wolf said they had 418 on-site programs which included field trips for school kids, camps, special events and various general public programs. There were also 274 off-site programs including regional schools and library programs, recreation commission programs, senior centers, social/professional meetings, special events and regular public programs. They held a summer kids science camp last summer which was something new and had a solar eclipse viewing party with over 350 people for the event. They also offered a new craft festival featuring natural crafts from various vendors from the area. Wolf said there will be an overhaul of the exhibit hall to be completed around August of 2018. Wolf recognized Bj Wooding for her help with the By-Way Committee and noted the committee is reviewing marketing, sign inventory, etc.

Commissioner Straub said her daughter just returned from a program in Iowa called "Monarchs on the Move" and would like to partner with the Wetland Education Center to bring that information to Barton County.

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C. SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Replacement of Existing Copier:

-Having made almost a million copies over the last ten years, the current copier needs replaced. It is suggested by Sheriff Brian Bellendir that the current unit be traded for a Canon imageRunner Advance C5535i from OPI. With trade, the delivery price of the updated copier is \$9,400.00. In addition, there will be a \$60.00 maintenance agreement charge. The initial cost will be paid through Equipment Replacement, with the Sheriff being responsible for the monthly maintenance.

Sheriff Bellendir said they studied whether to lease their next copier or to purchase a new one. Bellendir said, based on the lease quote, they could have a new copier paid for in approximately 4½ years. They used their last copier ten years, so decided it would be cheaper to buy than to lease.

Commissioner Straub moved to trade the current copier used by the Sheriff's Office for a Canon imageRunner Advance C5535i from OPI. With trade, the delivery price of the updated copier is \$9,400.00. That price is to be paid from the Equipment Replacement Fund, Equipment Replacement General Line, 072-00-6380.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT: Law Enforcement Domain Servers:

-It has become apparent that the domain servers used by law enforcement are not adequate to provide for the needs of the officers. The upload of in-car video and installation of the visitation video kiosks require updated equipment. John Debes, Information Technology Director, researched options. It is suggested that HP ProLiant equipment from Nex-Tech be purchased. Monies are available in the Equipment Replacement Fund for the proposed purchase.

John Debes, Information Technology Director, said the servers are at least 5 years old and may possibly be older than that. Debes explained domain servers are the backbone of the law enforcement network. Domain servers do not store data, but control the flow of data. Debes said he received 2 bids, but prefers Nex-Tech.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to purchase a replacement server system from Nex-Tech. The HP ProLiant model number DL360, totaling \$20,424.48, this for equipment and installation that is to be paid for using the Equipment Replacement Fund, Equipment Replacement General Line, 072-00-6380.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Steve Webster, Eagle Radio, asked what the OPI bid amount was. Donna Zimmerman said \$19,165.75.

E. 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 we have had a LEPC group in Barton County since approximately 1990. Miller said these are 2 year terms and alternate so half the committee is appointed every other year so the committee is not completely new. Miller read the following list of applicants:

Reappointments:

Gaila Demel, United Way of Central Kansas

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Scott Fleming, Hoisington EMS
Brittney Glenn, Ellinwood EMS
Phil Hathcock, Operations Director – Solid Waste
Linn Hogg, RSVP & Volunteers in Action – Central KS
Sarah Krom, Sunflower Diversified Services
Amy Miller, Barton County Emergency Management
Martin Miller, Great Bend Airport
Plus a late application from Don Halbower, retired Volunteer from American Red Cross

New Appointments:

Kelly Bachar, Great Bend Regional Hospital
Luke McCormick, Great Bend Fire and EMS
Dena Popp, Barton County Communications/911

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the Membership List of the Barton County Local Emergency Planning Committee. Memberships included the list read by Amy Miller and direct Amy Miller, Emergency Management Director, to forward the List of Nominees to the Kansas Division of Emergency Management and the Kansas Commission on Emergency Planning and Response.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

F. COUNTY SERVICES: Informational Update:

-Phil Hathcock, Operations Director, will provide the informational report of work completed during the last period. The report, which will be made available to the media, will serve as a public reminder of the services provided by the County on a regular basis.

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VI. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

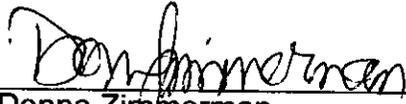
VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

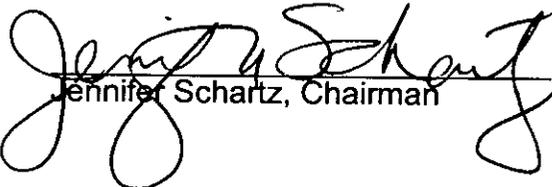
VIII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:35 A.M.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:



Donna Zirnmerman
Barton County Clerk



Jennifer Schartz, Chairman