

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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October 8, 2018

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 8th day of October 2018, 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
Alicia Straub, Commissioner, 4th District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator
Carey Hipp, County Counselor

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.

Minutes of the October 1, 2018 Regular Meeting were not available.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. GOLDEN BELT VETERANS MEMORIAL: Dedication of Commemorative Stone III:

-The Memorial Parks Advisory Committee has scheduled the dedication of the Third Stone at the Veterans Memorial for 1:30 p.m., Sunday, November 11, 2018, Veterans Day. The Ceremony will include a musical selection by the Great Bend High School Band, the Dedication, program by Congressman Roger Marshall, recognition of the American Legion Honor Guard and a presentation by the Golden Plains Quilts of Valor.

Mick Lang, Memorial Parks Advisory Committee, said they had a booth at the Air-Fest last weekend. Diana Watson, Commission Assistant, made a plaque for the event. Lang said the Commemorative Stone should arrive in the next 2-3 weeks.

Diana Watson said they are mailing an invitation to each person who purchased a line on the stone.

Information Only. No Action Required.

B. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES: KAC Legislative Policy Statement:

-On October 15 – 17, 2018, County officials will meet at the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) Annual Conference. An important item that will be discussed is the KAC Legislative Policy Statement. Member Counties will be called to review the issues and determine the platform's final form. It will then be utilized during the upcoming Legislative Session to promote issues related to County Government.

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Each year, Barton County reviews and considers the KAC Platform and other initiatives that may have local interest.

Phil Hathcock, County reviewed the highlights of the KAC Legislative Policy Statement.

Commissioner Scharz asked if the KAC is full staffed. Hathcock said he didn't believe so.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the 2019 KAC Legislative Policy Statement and support for the document at the KAC Annual Conference.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. COUNTY SERVICES: Informational Update:

-Mr. Hathcock 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.

Information Only. No Action Required.

IV. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

OTHER BUSINESS:

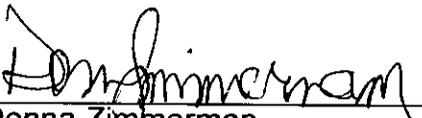
- Comm Straub: Attended KLPG in Dodge City last week. Discussed their legislative platform: Demand taxes, City & Co Revenue Sharing funds, repeal of the tax lid, local control, mental health funding and the push to make Appraisers state employees. KLPG is a group of 36 Western Kansas counties. Stafford County planning to join. Initial goal was the Severance tax issue. Barton Co recovered over two million in that effort. KLPG is a voice for Western Kansas. Opportunity to visit with other commissioners about our recent double homicide and our recent drug bust. Promoted to Vice-President of the Association.
- Sheriff Bellendir: What are the costs to other counties for homicide cases? Why would our case cost \$350,000? Straub said she asked about costs and was told they are very expensive.
- Sheriff Bellendir: Contacted the US Attorney Office on the last drug bust. Need more information (weights, quantities, etc.). They will then make a decision if they are going to take on the case.

VI. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Straub made a motion to adjourn at 9:25 A.M.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST: 
Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Jennifer Schartz, Chairman