

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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March 18, 2019

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 18th day of March 2019, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District

Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District

Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District

Alicia Straub, Commissioner, 4th District, Chairman

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District (Chairman Pro-Tem)

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator

Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2019, and the March 11, 2019, Regular Meetings.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS: 13th Month – 5th Run:

-An Accounts Payable Register for the 13th Month, 2018, 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 2018.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the 13th Month – 5th Run appropriations for 2018. Authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Schremmer 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 March 4, 2019, and ending March 18, 2019.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the Accounts Payable register for the period beginning March 4 and ending March 18, 2019.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

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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 #15				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				
Personal Property	-19,334		-\$3,453.80	\$202.82
Real Estate				
16/20 M Trucks				
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-19,334		-\$3,453.80	\$202.82
Total Taxes	-\$3,453.80			
Total Records Selected	8			

Zimmerman shared details from a year-to-date recap that Commissioner Schartz requested the week prior. Zimmerman said this would be included with the regular report from this point on.

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

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted yes. Motion passed.

B. COUNTY CLERK / ELECTION OFFICE: Purchase of Replacement Voting Equipment:

-The current voting system is 12 years old and beginning to show wear. Before the equipment becomes unreliable, the County Clerk proposes replacement. Pursuant to the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), all Kansas voting systems must include electronic devices that enable an impaired voter to vote unassisted. The Clerk's Office personnel viewed various vendor products who provide both electronic ballot markers with a paper ballot trail and precinct scanners. To meet HAVA requirements and to best serve the needs of all voters, it is suggested that the Election Systems & Software voting system be purchased. The cost includes precinct scanners, electronic ballot marking devices, barcode scanners, encoders, hardened results computer, and memory.

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk presented quotes from the three vendors who provided equipment demonstrations as follows:

ES&S	\$183,903	w/10yr warranty/ballots	\$319,641
Unisyn	\$147,745	w/10yr warranty/ballots	\$313,502
Election Source	\$190,788	w/10yr warranty	\$383,528

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Zimmerman said Phil Hathcock, Dereck Hollingshead; a couple of election board workers as well as the County Clerk's Office staff attended the equipment demonstrations. Zimmerman said there is money available in the Equipment Replacement Fund and noted that over the years, their office had transferred over excess Election Budget remaining funds annually and at one time had reserved over \$93,000 for this purchase. That money has since been co-mingled with other General Designated funds. Zimmerman said this replacement has been anticipated for some time.

Zimmerman mentioned SB 129, which deals with Vote Centers. The bill had a hearing in the Senate and passed the bill out of committee on turnaround, but did not pass on the floor, so it is currently inactive. Zimmerman explained that with vote centers a voter could go to any precinct in the County on Election Day to vote. This would change things a bit and may require the need to purchase more equipment in the future.

Commissioner Schartz said this was a huge expense, but something that has been planned. You hate to have to spend the money, but it is a necessary purchase. Schartz voiced her appreciation of Zimmerman as Election Officer and noted when Zimmerman brought the purchase to the Commission last week in study session, it was \$20,000 higher. Schartz said Zimmerman went back to the vendor and asked if they could come closer to the competitor and they were able to get the cost down.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the purchase of the Election Systems & Software voting system. Authorize \$183,903.00 payment for said system to be made from the Equipment Replacement Fund, General Line, 072-00-6380 and direct the County Clerk to include the warranty cost in the annual budget as needed.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

Unanimously voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Straub thanked Zimmerman for her service on a committee with the Secretary of State's Office concerning elections and for representing Barton County.

C. COMPUTER INFORMATION CONCEPTS: Annual Peopeware Agreement:

-In 2013, the County purchased a commercial software package from Computer Information Concepts, Inc. (CIC). The software includes tax administration, budgetary / fund accounting, indexing / imaging, payroll / personnel and time / attendance. The Commission will now be asked to consider approval of the Annual Peopeware Agreement have provides updates for the soft- and hard-ware, including response time for customer support.

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator, said there was an increase of \$655 over last year.

	2018	2019
Support – Operating Systems	\$ 5,645	\$ 6,240
Support – Application Systems	\$34,395	\$34,455
Enhancements – Application Systems	\$ 8,565	\$ 8,565
Support Call Log (Credit)	\$- 1,720	\$- 1,720
Annual Peopeware Total	\$46,885	\$47,540

Commissioner Straub said there have been issues in the past, but we got through them and thanked the county employees for all their hard work.

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Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the Annual Peopleware Agreement with Computer Information Concepts, Inc. The agreement cost, \$47,540.00, is to be paid from the Courthouse General Account of the General Fund, CIC Maintenance Fees Line, 001-18-5476.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

VI. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Comm Straub: Announced she will formally resign from the Commission this week pending the Governor's approval of her appointment to the 113th House District. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the citizens of Barton County.
- Comm Schartz: Presented Straub with a clock and thanked her for her service.
- Comm Straub: Will attend the Commission meeting on April 15th with Representative Troy Waymaster.
- Comm Schartz: Asked Zimmerman to explain what happens next with the Commission seat.
- Donna Zimmerman: The Republican Party will call a Republican Convention tentatively scheduled for April 1st. Richard Friedeman will be in charge of the process and could better answer questions.
- Comm Schartz: Announced a reception for Commissioner Straub following the meeting.
- Comm Straub: Reported her swearing in is tentatively scheduled for the morning of March 19th. Does not consider herself a politician but more of a voice for the people.

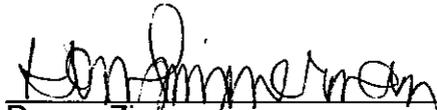
VIII. ADJOURN:

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

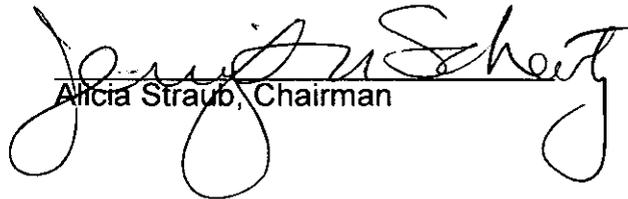
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:



Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk



Alicia Straub, Chairman