

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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June 7, 2021

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 7th day of June 2021, at the Barton County Courthouse.

## *Members present:*

Kirby Krier, Commissioner, 1st District  
Barb Esfeld, Commissioner, 2nd District  
Shawn Hutchinson, Commissioner, 3<sup>rd</sup> District (*Chairman Pro-Tem*)  
James R. Daily, Commissioner, 4th District, Chairman  
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District  
Bev Schmeidler, Assistant Deputy County Clerk  
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator  
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

## **I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

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

Roll Call taken by Deputy County Clerk.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the agenda.  
Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2021, Regular Meeting.  
Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.  
voted aye. Motion passed.

## **II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:**

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of May 24, 2021, and ending June 7, 2021.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the appropriations for the period of May 24, 2021, to June 7, 2021. Authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.  
Commissioner Esfeld seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **III. OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. COUNTY ENGINEER: Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad Company, Kansas Department of Transportation and Barton County Agreements:**

-The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) requests the approval of two three-party agreements for railroad crossing improvements. The SW 40 Avenue (Airport Road) project involves the construction of a new concrete crossing surface, cantilever signals and gates. The SE 20 Avenue (Kiowa Road) project involves the construction of a new concrete crossing surface, straight post signals and gates. The County is only responsible for the installation and maintenance of advance warning signs and pavement markings on SW 40 Avenue and advance warning signs on SE 20 Avenue.

Barry McManaman, County Engineer, said KDOT had sent two agreements for railroad crossing improvements. As part of the three-party agreement between KDOT, K&O Railroad and the county; KDOT will reimburse the railroad for 90% of the cost with KDOT picking up the remaining 10%.

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McManaman said the county is asked to sign because the county maintain the signs and markings at the railroad crossings. Currently, there are pavement markings and advanced warning signage on Airport Road as well as advanced warning signage on Kiowa Road.

Commissioner Daily asked what the anticipated time frame was for construction on Airport Road. McManaman said he called the railroad company for an update, but they did not have a time frame.

Commissioner Schartz asked if they would be doing half of the road at a time so traffic could use the road. McManaman said probably not because they want to raise the crossing so that it was no longer a dip and explained it is difficult to raise one side at a time.

Commissioner Schartz said she wondered if there were any of the big units coming in during that time frame. McManaman said you would think that the railroad company would notify the trains about the road closure.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve Agreements No. 006203012 and 006213032 between the Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad Company, the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Kansas, and Barton County, relative to the construction and maintenance of Highway Crossing Signals under Section 130, United States Code 23.

Commissioner Hutchinson seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **B. ROAD AND BRIDGE: Request for Proposal for a Sewer Line Replacement:**

-The Road and Bridge Department, via Vendor Registry, released a Request for Proposal for a Sewer Line Replacement with bids accepted until 2:00 p.m., May 17, 2021. The Scope of Work includes the installation of sewer line pipe, new drain, and trap. As a part of the project, Road and Bridge commends hiring Kansas Coring and Cutting to cut existing concrete and asphalt. It is noted that the County will remove all concrete and dig the trench and backfill.

Darren Williams, County Works Director, said the failing sewer line runs from inside the shop near the restroom to the manhole near the wash bay. Williams said the contractor will install 160 feet of 4-inch PVC pipe. The Road & Bridge Department will do the removal and backfill to save money.

The following bids were received:

Comfort Pro	\$8,357
Moeder Plumbing	\$5,487

Williams said they also received a quote for \$2,640 from Kansas Coring and Cutting of Salina to saw cut the concrete floor inside the shop out to the manhole.

Commissioner Krier asked if the funding was from the General Fund or Road & Bridge budget. Williams said from their Road & Bridge budget. Krier asked why we aren't using American Rescue Act money. Williams suggested it could be paid from their budget now and then could look at ARP funding later. Commissioner Daily said it had been done in the past when a project met the criteria.

Commissioner Esfeld moved to accept the \$5,487.00 bid from Moeder Plumbing, Heating and Air for the Request for Proposal for a Sewer Line Replacement and in addition, approve the \$2,640.00 quote for related work to be performed by Kansas Coring and Cutting. Total project cost, \$8,127.00, to be paid from the Road and Bridge Fund at this time, Maintenance of Buildings, Grounds, and Improvements Line, 002-92-5515.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Krier asked when the work would start. Williams said as soon as possible.

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## ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

## VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

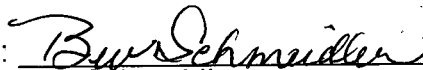
## VII. ADJOURN.

Commissioner Schartz moved to adjourn at 9:16 A.M.

Commissioner Esfeld seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

  
Bev Schmeidler  
Barton County Assistant Deputy Clerk

  
James R. Daily, Chairman