

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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August 3, 2022

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2022, at the Barton County Courthouse.

*Members present:*

Kirby Krier, Commissioner, 1<sup>st</sup> District

Barb Esfeld, Commissioner, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, (*Chairman Pro-Tem*)

Jon Prescott, Commissioner, 4<sup>th</sup> District

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5<sup>th</sup> District

Bev Schmeidler, County Clerk

Matt Patzner, Director of Operations

*Members absent:*

Shawn Hutchinson, Commissioner, 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Chairman

Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

## I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Krier moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Minutes of the July 13, 2022, July 20, 2022, and July 27, 2022, Regular Meetings were not available.

## II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of July 20, 2022, and ending August 3, 2022.

Commissioner Krier moved to approve appropriations for the period of July 20, 2022, to August 3, 2022.

Authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Prescott seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

## IV. NEW BUSINESS:

### **A. RESOLUTION 2022-19: Designation of Brenda Kaiser, Human Resource Director, as Barton County's KPERS Agent:**

-Matt Patzner, Director of Operations, will provide details. The Kansas Public Employees Retirement (KPERS) Act of 1961 provides in K.S.A. 74-4902(6) for the designation of an agent for each participating employer through whom system transactions and communications are directed. In addition, this agent acts as a local contact for employees for retirement system information, transactions, forms and publications. The proposed Resolution names Brenda Kaiser, Human Resource Director, as the agent with the Director of Operations as an additional signer.

Matt Patzner, Director of Operations, said with the hiring of a Human Resource Officer, it was appropriate to update the KPERS designated agent. He would remain as a designee with Brenda Kaiser named as the designated agent.

Commissioner Krier moved to adopt Resolution 2022-19, Designation of Brenda Kaiser, Human Resource Director, as Barton County's KPERS Agent.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

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voted aye. Motion passed.

## **B. RESOLUTION 2022-20: Rescinding Resolution 2004-19, Fees for Issuing Kansas Driver's Licenses, Adopted June 14, 2004:**

-Mr. Patzner will provide details. In 2004, the Commission adopted a Resolution authoring a \$3.00 fee, per the issuance of each driver's license, to be accessed to the Kansas Department of Revenue, to offset housing the Driver's Licensing Office at the Courthouse. As that agency is no longer housed in the building, it is appropriate that the Resolution be rescinded.

Matt Patzner, Director of Operations, presented details.

Commissioner Esfeld said when she googled Kansas Driver License, it showed it located at the courthouse. She wondered who had to change that. Patzner said he believed they would have to get it changed on Google.

Commissioner Prescott asked if there were any administrative duties the county was responsible for regarding the Driver License Office. Patzner said no.

Commissioner Schartz asked if the resolution had to be rescinded. Patzner said that was up to the discretion of the commissioners, it seemed appropriate since they were no longer in the building.

Commissioner Prescott moved to adopt Resolution 2022-20, Rescinding Resolution 2004-19, Fees for Issuing Kansas Driver's Licenses, Adopted June 14, 2004.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **PENDING BUSINESS:**

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Krier – please remember to remove political election signs.

## **VII. ADJOURN.**

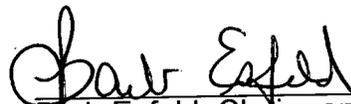
Commissioner Schartz moved to adjourn at 9:11 A.M.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

  
Bev Schmeidler  
Barton County Clerk

  
Barb Esfeld, Chairman Pro-Tem

RESOLUTION 2022-19

DESIGNATION OF BRENDA KAISER, HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR, AS BARTON COUNTY'S KPERS AGENT

WHEREAS, the Kansas Public Employees Retirement (KPERS) Act of 1961 provides in K.S.A. 74-4902(6) for the designation of an agent for each participating employer through whom system transactions and communications are directed; and

WHEREAS, the designated agent provides a local contact for employees for Retirement System information, transactions, forms and publications. Acting as a liaison between the Retirement System and the employee, the designated agent acts on behalf of the employer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Barton County, Commissioners, as a participating employer, is authorized to name such an agent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that Brenda Kaiser, Human Resource Director, is the designated agent for the Kansas Public Employees Retirement Act (KPERS), with Matt Patzner, Director of Operations, named as an additional signer in the absence of the Human Resource Director; and

FURTHER, that Kaiser is authorized to act on behalf of the Commission in employee matters related to KPERS; and

FURTHER, that Kaiser is authorized as agent until such time as formal Commission action is taken to remove her from said designation; and

FURTHER, that Patzner is authorized to act on behalf of Kaiser, in her absence, until such time as formal Commission action is taken to remove him from said duty; and

FURTHER, that Donna Zimmerman, former County Clerk, is removed from the role of additional signed for Barton County effective January 1, 2022.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of August, 2022.



ATTEST:

Bev Schmeidler  
County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Patrick Hoffman  
County Counselor

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT

Shawn Hutchinson, Chairman

Barb Esfeld, Commissioner

Kirby Krier, Commissioner

Jon Prescott, Commissioner

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner

**RESOLUTION 2022-20**

**RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2004-19, FEES FOR ISSUING KANSAS DRIVER'S LICENSES**

**WHEREAS**, in 2004, the Kansas Department of Revenue, Driver's License Bureau, was officed in the Barton County Courthouse; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission authorized a fee to be collected to offset the cost of housing such State office in the Courthouse; and

**WHEREAS**, the Driver's License Bureau vacated the office space allocated in the Courthouse as of May 28, 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that Resolution 2004-19, Fees for Issuing Kansas Driver's Licenses, adopted June 14, 2004, is hereby rescinded; and

**FURTHER**, that Barton County will no longer collect a housing fee from the Kansas Department of Revenue effective May 28, 2022.

**ADOPTED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2022.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**ABSENT**

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Shawn Hutchinson, Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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Bev Schmeidler  
County Clerk



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Barb Esfeld, Commissioner

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Kirby Krier, Commissioner

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Patrick Hoffman  
County Counselor

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Jon Prescott, Commissioner

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Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner