

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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October 12, 2022

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 12th day of October 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*)  
Shawn Hutchinson, Commissioner, 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Chairman  
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  
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

## **I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

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

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

Commissioner Esfeld moved to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022, and the October 5, 2022, Regular Meetings.  
Commissioner Prescott seconded the motion.  
All voted aye. Motion passed.

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

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of September 28, 2022 and ending October 12, 2022.

Commissioner Prescott moved to approve appropriations for the period of September 28, 2022, to October 12, 2022. 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 CLERK'S OFFICE: Request for Approval – Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes:**

-Bev Schmeidler, 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.

Bev Schmeidler, County Clerk, presented details.

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TCH #13	VALUES	ESCAPED TAXES	ADDED / ABATED	REFUNDS
Gas				
Oil	(10,217)		(\$339.18)	\$339.18
Personal Property	2,478,002		(\$228.86)	
Real Estate	9,563		(\$114.90)	\$114.90
16/20 M Trucks	874			
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>2,478,222</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>(\$682.94)</b>	<b>\$454.08</b>
<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>(\$682.94)</b>			
Total Records Selected	23			

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

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

**B. RESOLUTION 2022-24: A Resolution Regarding the Barton County Health Department Advisory Committee and Rescinding Resolution 2020-05, Same, Adopted January 27, 2020:**

-Karen Winkelman, Health Director, will provide details. The Health Department operates in concert with an Advisory Committee. The Resolution dealing with that Committee was last revised in 2020. At this time, it is suggested that the term limits be updated to reflect current practices.

Karen Winkelman, Health Director, presented details and asked for adoption of the revised resolution.

Commissioner Schartz moved to adopt Resolution 2022-24, A Resolution Regarding the Barton County Health Department Advisory Committee and Rescinding Resolution 2020-05, Same, Adopted January 27, 2020.

Commissioner Prescott seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

**C. VOICE PRODUCTS SERVICE: Maintenance Agreement:**

-Dena Popp, 911 Director, and Casey Hubbard, Investigator / Office Manager, County Attorney's Office, will provide details. In 2018, Communications partnered with the County Attorney's Office to purchase a Voice Logger. The logger creates audio recordings from telephones, radios, microphones and other sources that improve emergency services and aid in criminal prosecution. As the maintenance contract ends November 30, 2022, it is suggested that it be extended for another year with Communications and the Attorney's Office sharing the expense.

Dena Popp, 911 Director, said it was time for renewal of the annual maintenance and it would be shared between Communications and the County Attorney. The County Attorney pays for the organizer feature.

Casey Hubbard, Investigator / Office Manager, County Attorney's Office, said it was a useful tool for their office and agree to extending the maintenance agreement for another year.

Commissioner Prescott moved to approve the Maintenance Agreement with Voice Products Service through November 30, 2023, for a total cost of \$9,552.95. The cost to be paid as follows – \$7,821.70 through the 911 Tax Fund, Maintenance of Machinery and Equipment Line, item 080-86-5460, and the remaining \$1,731.25 through the Attorney's Office Account of the General Fund, RMS/Software Maintenance-Diversion Line, 001-08-5610-06.

Commissioner Esfeld seconded the motion.

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voted aye. Motion passed.

## **D.COMMUNICATIONS: Purchase of Consolettes:**

-Ms. Popp will provide details. In April 2018, Barton County Communications purchased three (3) used Motorola XTL5000 radio consolettes. These consolettes allow for ease in channel use, paging, recordings and officer emergency identification. All three of these have recently failed. It is suggested that they be replaced with APX 800 Mhz consolettes. This is an allowable use of 911 monies.

Dena Popp, 911 Director, said all 3 consolettes had begun to fail in the last 2 weeks. One of the biggest problems was that it did not allow for recording, they had a temporary fix in place at the time. Motorola was only able to find 1 used consolette. Popp asked for approval to purchase 1 used and 2 new consolettes.

Commissioner Hutchinson said it was important to keep 911 running.

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the purchase of two new APX 800Mhz Consolettes from Motorola at a cost of \$15,648.40 and one used APX 800Mhz Consolette at a cost of \$3,315.00 from Mobile Radio. Total cost, \$18,963.40, to be paid from the 911 Tax Fund, Equipment Line, 080-86-6165. Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **E. ROAD AND BRIDGE: Asphalt Plant Overhaul Project – Additional Repairs:**

-Darren Williams, County Works Director, established an asphalt plant repair project that included the drum assembly replacement and plant overhaul. On July 20, 2022, the Commission approved the project along with crane rental and electrical costs. After an on-sight inspection by Asphalt Drum Mixers, Inc. Engineers, additional issues were identified. Road and Bridge received a \$12,501.00 quote to repair the burner plate and roller assembly.

Darren Williams, County Works Director, said at the on-site inspection, it was discovered that the gap between the burner and the bridging ring was incorrect and would have to be addressed. The items quoted will replace the warped burner shield and worn-out breeching ring. Additionally, the guide rollers and bearings for trunnions also need to be replaced. It looks as if the drum tires are able to track in either direction off the face of the trunnions. The existing drum was 60 inch and that was no longer made. The new drum would be 62 inches.

Commissioner Krier moved to approve the \$12,501.00 repair cost for the burner plate and roller assembly from Asphalt Drum Mixers, Inc. Cost to be paid from the Equipment Replacement Fund, Road and Bridge Line, 072-00-6485.

Commissioner Esfeld seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **F. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES: KAC Legislative Policy Statement:**

-Matt Patzner, Director of Operations, will present details. On October 17 – 19, 2022, 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. Each year, Barton County reviews and considers the KAC Platform and other initiatives that may have local interest.

Matt Patzner, Director of Operations, presented details and asked for approval.

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Commissioner Esfeld said she was called about open positions on the KCCA and KAC Boards and wondered what area Barton County was in. Darren Williams said Barton County was in the South Central region.

Commissioner Hutchinson said the County Treasurer had asked that they support the motor vehicle tax and asked if that was a part of the Legislative Policy Statement.

Commissioner Krier asked if the Treasurer Association was joining KAC this year. There was discussion about which associations were a part of KAC. Patrick Hoffman said there were affiliate members and associate members.

Commissioner Esfeld moved to approve the 2023 KAC Legislative Policy Statement and support for the document at the KAC Annual Conference.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **V. ENDING BUSINESS:**

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Krier – National Thank a Farmer Day. Thanked Commissioner Prescott and Commissioner Schartz for their attendance at the solar panel discussion.

Karen Winkelman – Health Department would be in Galatia, Albert, Olmitz and Pawnee Rock on Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> for vaccines.

## **ADJOURN.**

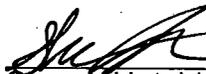
Commissioner Schartz moved to adjourn at 9:20 A.M.

Commissioner Prescott seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

  
Bev Schmeidler  
Barton County Clerk

  
Shawn Hutchinson, Chairman

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Notes from Director of Operations, County Clerk not present.

10/12/2022 Executive Session

Kirby makes motion to go into executive session for the purposes discussing non-elected personnel

Barb seconds

All in favor aye from all.

Kirby makes motion to come out of executive session with no action taken

Jon seconds

All in favor aye from all.