

BOARD OF BARTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER AGENDA MEETINGS

Temporary Work and Meeting Address – 1500 Kansas, Great Bend, Kansas
Mailing Address - Barton County Courthouse – 1400 Main, Room 106, Great Bend, Kansas
Tuesdays, unless otherwise announced, in Regular Meeting – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Agenda Meeting – 9:00 a.m. Until Close

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Special Meeting
March 29, 2024
9:00 a.m. Until Close

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

- A. Call Meeting to Order.
- B. Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Consider Approval of the Agenda.
- D. Minutes of the March 26, 2024, Regular Meeting, will not be available.
- E. Any citizen wishing to make statements during the discussion of any item must first be recognized by the Commission Chair. After being recognized, that person should state their name and the name of any organization represented. Statements should be limited to five minutes.
- F. Please silence all phones and electronic devices. Recording the meeting is allowed and the Commission requests that anyone using special recording equipment be seated in the back row to avoid creating a distraction during the meeting.

II. NEW BUSINESS - All new business to be considered by the Commission will be heard at this time.

ITEM A. RESOLUTION 2024-10: A Resolution Amending Article III of the Barton County Zoning Regulations, Version II:

-Judy Goreham, Environmental Manager, will provide details. The Zoning and Subdivision Regulations were adopted in 2000 and later revised in 2013. The Planning Commission now recommends amendments to Article III to allow for the following new conditionally permitted uses: Large Scale Non-Commercial and Commercial Scale Solar Energy Conversion Systems (SECS) in all of the zoning districts within Barton County.

ITEM B. RESOLUTION 2024-11: A Resolution Adding Article VIII-B – SECS to the Barton County Zoning Regulations, Version II:

-Ms. Goreham will provide details. The Planning Commission recommends the addition of Article VIII-B – SECS to the Zoning Regulations. This article sets minimum requirements for all future development of Large Scale Non-Commercial and Commercial Scale Solar Energy Conversion Systems (SECS) in all of the zoning districts within Barton County.

ITEM C. RESOLUTION 2024-12: A Resolution Amending the Official Zoning Map of Barton County:

-Ms. Goreham will provide details. The proposed Resolution provides for an amendment to the official Zoning Map of Barton County. It essentially sets forth a “no build zone” that is one mile outside the existing zone for the Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS). If adopted, it will pertain to all future development of Large Scale Non-Commercial and Commercial Scale Solar Energy Conversion Systems (SECS) in Barton County.

III. OLD BUSINESS – Items tabled, or scheduled, from previous Commission Meetings, will be heard at this time.

ITEM A. RESOLUTION 2024-09: A Resolution Providing for a Temporary Moratorium on Commercial Solar Energy Project Development within the Unincorporated Area of Barton County, Kansas:

-Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor, will provide details. With the adoption of Resolution 2023-25, the Commission extended the temporary moratorium on commercial solar energy project development in the unincorporated area of Barton County until March 31, 2024. The Commission will consider a brief extension to the deadline. This item was tabled on March 26, 2024, to this Special Meeting.

IV. ENDING BUSINESS – After new items are heard by the Commission, the following items, including announcements, will be heard.

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

-There are no announcements.

B. APPOINTMENTS:

-There are no Study Sessions scheduled at this time.

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. The next Regular Meeting will be at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 2, 2024.

VI. ADJOURN.