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July 20, 2015

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 20th day of July 2015, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District, Chairman Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District

Alicia Straub, 4th District

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

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

The minutes of the July 13, 2015 Regular Meeting were not available.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

LEW BUSINESS:

A. COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE: Request for Approval – Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes for 2014:

-Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, will present a listing of Added / Abated / Escaped / Refunded Taxes for 2014. 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 including 3 electric companies, Ark Valley Electric, Mid-Kansas Electric and Western Electric Company:

BATCH #12	Values	Escaped Taxes		Refunds
Property Types			Added / Abated	
Gas				
Oil	- 948,237		-\$146,370.26	\$145,867.82
Personal Property				
Real Estate	- 40,582		-\$ 6,278.50	\$ 6,278.50
16/20 M Trucks				
State Assessed Utilities	- 440,695		-\$ 69,768.24	\$ 69.768.24
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-1,429,514		-\$222,417.00	\$221,914.56
Total Taxes	-\$222,417.00			
Total Records	93			

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

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mmissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. CENTRAL KANSAS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Fiscal Year 2016 Comprehensive Plan – Revised Budget:

-The Kansas Community Corrections Act provides grants to Kansas Counties to develop and maintain a range of programs for adult offenders assigned to Community Corrections agencies. A Comprehensive Plan (grant application) was submitted that set the goals for Fiscal Year 2016. The allocation is determined by the Kansas Department of Corrections. It requires the Central Kansas Community Corrections Advisory Board, along each County to which the plan pertains, to approve the revised budget that supports the goals.

Amy Boxberger, CKCC Director, said the majority of the budget, \$460,358.26, is for personnel with the remaining \$15,545.75 for phone, internet, bills and supplies. Boxberger noted a position was added the end of the last fiscal year. They depend on the carry-over reimbursement money, which is paid by offenders for program fees.

Commissioner Kruckenberg said some of the programs had recently been called into question by the President and former President Clinton and asked if that was going to affect them. Boxberger responded that they have a very successful program with successful outcomes making it a very cost effective program for Kansas. Commissioner Kruckenberg said he is a fan of Charles Koch and noted Charles Koch is calling for a revision examination of the corrections system and the penalties/costs that are incurred. Boxberger explained that their program is to help keep people out of prison. Commissioner Kruckenberg said he disagreed and said that was not his or Mr. Koch's interpretation.

Summary in the amount of \$475,902.00 and authorize the Commission Chairman to sign grant forms as needed.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

Commissioner Schremmer, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Straub and Commissioner Schartz voted ave

Commissioner Kruckenberg voted nay.

Motion passed 4-1.

C. CENTRAL KANSAS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Behavioral Health Vouchers:

-The Kansas Department of Corrections provided an opportunity for agencies to apply for Behavioral Health funding to support services relative to lowering revocation rates. Central Kansas Community Corrections submitted a grant application and was allocated \$5,000.00 for behavioral health vouchers for indigent offenders.

Amy Boxberger, CKCC Director, provided details on the budget narrative and summary and noted that last year they received over \$18,000. This year's allocation is \$5,000.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 Revised Behavior Health Budget Narrative and Budget Summary in the amount of \$5,000.00 and authorize the Commission Chairman to sign grant forms as needed.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted ave. Motion passed.

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COUNTY ENGINEER: Project Design and Engineering Services, High Risk Rural Road Sign Replacement Project #5C-4671-01:

-Barton County entered into an agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) for the High Risk Rural Roads (HRRR) Sign Replacement Project #5C-4671-01. Prior to that time, "Letters of Interest" for project design were sent to six engineering companies for upgrading current Regulatory and Warning signs. The Selection Committee recommended Kirkham-Michael Engineers be selected for the project. It is suggested that the \$18,788.19 cost be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund. KDOT will reimburse the County 100% of the cost.

Clark Rusco, County Engineer, said KDOT will participate 100% and noted four firms submitted qualifications for the Selection Committee's review. Rusco said he participated on the Selection Committee along with Commissioner Alicia Straub; Commissioner, Jennifer Schartz; Darren Williams, Engineer Technician and Dale Phillips, Road & Bridge Director. KDOT will prepare a three-party agreement between KDOT, Kirkham-Michael and Barton County.

Commissioner Schartz moved to accept the Selection Committee's recommendation of Kirkham-Michael Engineers for the Project Design and Engineering Services, High Risk Rural Road Sign Replacement Project #5C-4671-01 at a cost not to exceed \$18,788.19. Said cost to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund, Road and Bridge line, 071-00-6335. After notifying KDOT of the selection, direct the Commission Chair to sign the three-party agreement for said services when presented to the County. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Step Right Up Immunization Carnival:

The United States is currently experiencing a decrease in Immunization Rates. That impact was felt intly by the Pertussis outbreak. As a means of improving community involvement, the Barton County Health Department is holding a "Step Right Up Immunization Carnival". It will be held from 10:00 am – 7 pm, Thursday, July 30, 2015.

Shelly Schneider, Health Director, said Barton County is not a leader in getting the community immunized, but is also not at the bottom of the state. Schneider said the employees will dress in carnival themed clothing and the clinic will be decorated as a "Big Top". There will be drawings for prizes, popcorn and water for those getting immunizations.

Commissioner Kruckenberg asked if some groups were reluctant to get immunizations. Schneider said there are some, but studies show vaccines are safe.

Commissioner Schartz asked if the costs were a hindrance for some people. Schneider said the Health Department accepts all insurances and noted there are programs to help with costs

Information Only. No Action Required.

F. COUNTY SERVICES: Informational Update:

-Richard Boeckman, County Counselor / Administrator / Interim 911 Director, will provide the informational report of work completed during the last period. The report, which will be made available to the media, will serve as a public reminder of the services provided by the County on a regular basis.

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Richard Boeckman said Judge Kitts was present today and noted she volunteers on both Amy Finerger's board and Shelly Schneider's board. Boeckman thanked her for her service.

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ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements

2. Appointments

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

VI. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Kruckenberg made a motion to adjourn at 9:28 A.M.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

Donna Zimmerman Barton County Clerk

enny Schremmer, Chairman