

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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September 11, 2017

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 11th day of September 2017, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tem)
Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District
Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District
Alicia Straub, Commissioner, 4th District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Phil Hathcock, Operations Director

Members absent:

Carey Hipp, County Counselor

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve the agenda.
Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the minutes of the August 28th meeting.
Commissioner Davis 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 August 21, 2017, and ending September 5, 2017. It is noted that the Commission will be asked to ratify this Register.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to ratify the appropriations for the period of August 21, 2017, to September 5, 2017, and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.
Commissioner Straub 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:

-Donna Zimmerman, 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.

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, presented the following tax roll adjustments:

BATCH #17				
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas				
Oil				

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Personal Property			
Real Estate	-7,371		-\$100.16
16/20 M Trucks			
State Assessed Utilities			
Special Assessments			
Grand Totals	-7,371		-\$100.16
Total Taxes	-\$100.16		
Total Records Selected			

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

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. PROCLAMATION 2017-11: Barton County Preparedness Month, September, 2017:

-Barton County Preparedness Month, September 2017, is a part of National Preparedness Month, an event hosted by the Ready Campaign and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This Proclamation encourages individuals, businesses and communities to plan and prepare for an emergency.

Amy Miller, Emergency Manager, said the two major hurricanes recently are good examples of why we need to be prepared and noted individuals can learn more about being prepared by going to www.ready.gov. Miller detailed the four part readiness plan: 1) plan for yourself, 2) plan for your neighbor, 3) practice and build out these plans and 4) get involved in your community and other organizations. Miller suggested people learn CPR and first aid so they can take care of themselves until help arrives. A person should also learn how to shut off water, gas and electric to your home.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to adopt Proclamation 2017-11, Barton County Preparedness Month, September, 2017.

Commissioner Straub seconded the motion.
 All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. 2017 TAX SALE: Update:

-The County recently took judgment on the parcels remaining on the 2017 Tax Sale. Owners are able to redeem parcels until Noon, Friday, October 6, 2017. The sale will be held in the Courthouse Conference Room at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 10, 2017. At this time, 46 parcels remain.

Kevin Wondra, County Treasurer, said they started out with 250+ parcels, but are down to 46 at this time. Wondra, said of the 46, three of them only owe the abstract and court filing fees. Wondra said he will start contacting owners about redemption this week and said the Appraiser's Office will take photos this week to post to the County's website. Wondra said the properties are sold "as is" and said potential buyers should arrive early to get signed in and the property must be paid for before they leave. Commissioner Schremmer has volunteered his auctioneering services again this year.

Information Only. No Action Required.

D. COTTONWOOD EXTENSION DISTRICT: Agreement for Occupation:

-The Cottonwood Extension District is housed in the Barton County Office Building at 12th and Kansas, Great Bend. In light of the change in their status, the District asked that the Agreement be modified to include their name change and a longer notification period in the event the County determines that a

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rental fee should be charged. The modified Agreement was submitted to local agents for their approval. Phil Hathcock, Operations Director, will now present the updated Agreement to the Commission.

Phil Hathcock, Operations Director, said Donna Krug, Director, asked for modifications to the Occupancy agreement. This agreement includes a name change to Cottonwood Extension District and added verbiage that allows them to include rent in their annual budget should the County start charging them for the office space. Hathcock explained this agreement would expire December 31, 2018.

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the Occupancy Agreement for the Cottonwood Extension District, set to expire December 31, 2018.
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. COUNTY SERVICES: Informational Update:

-Mr. Hathcock 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.

Information Only. No Action Required.

- Carey Hipp came into meeting at 9:21 A.M.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

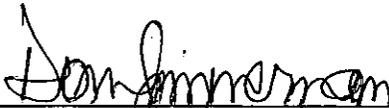
1. Announcements 2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:22 A.M.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST: 
Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Jennifer Schartz, Chairman

PROCLAMATION 2017-11

BARTON COUNTY PREPAREDNESS MONTH
September 2017

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month creates an important opportunity for every resident of Barton County, Kansas to prepare themselves, families, homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency including natural disasters, fires or chemical spills; and

WHEREAS, investing in the preparedness of ourselves, our families, businesses, and communities can reduce fatalities and economic devastation in our communities and neighborhoods; and

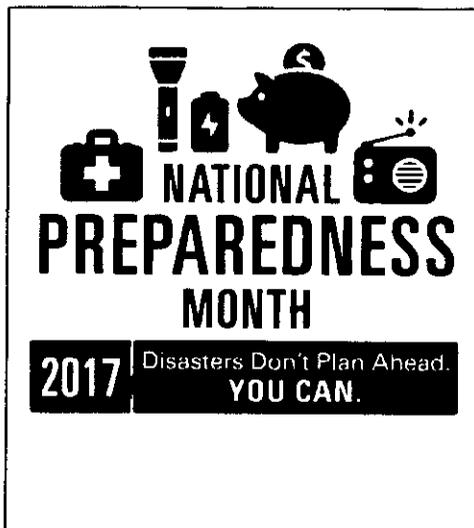
WHEREAS, emergency preparedness and planning is necessary to increase local levels of self-sufficiency and is a shared effort between individuals, businesses, and government; and

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every citizen of Barton County, Kansas and all citizens are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together, as a team, to ensure that individuals, families, neighbors, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; and

WHEREAS, all citizens of Barton County, Kansas are encouraged to take action to increase preparedness, know what to do to stay safe and improve their ability to recover from a disaster.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Barton County Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaim September 2017 as Barton County Preparedness Month to encourage better prepared individuals, families, and businesses.

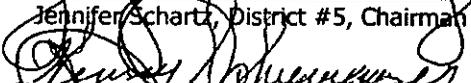
ADOPTED this 11th day of September 2017.



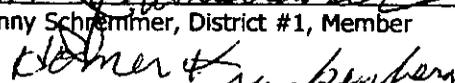
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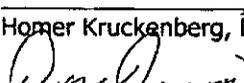
Jennifer Schartz, District #5, Chairman



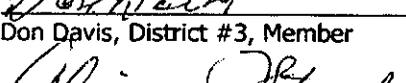
Kenny Schremmer, District #1, Member



Homer Kruckenberg, District #2, Member



Don Davis, District #3, Member



Alicia Straub, District #4, Member