# **Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes**

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August 27, 2018

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 27th day of August 2018, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:
Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tern)
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, County Administrator
Carey Hipp, County Counselor

#### I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the minutes of the August 13<sup>th</sup>, and the August 20<sup>th</sup> Regular Meetings.

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#### II. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

#### **III. 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 #25			tax ron adjustments.	,
Property Types	Values	Escaped Taxes	Added / Abated	Refunds
Gas	_	· •		i i e se se
Oil				
Personal Property		*	. "	
Real Estate	-10,737		-\$1,072.28	\$1,072.28
16/20 M Trucks				<del>+ 1,31 = 1=</del>
State Assessed Utilities				
Special Assessments				
Grand Totals	-10,737		-\$1,072.28	\$1,072.28

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Total Taxes	-\$1,072.28	- <del> </del>	<u></u>	
Total Records Selected	44			

Commissioner Schremmer 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 Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

#### B. COUNTY CLERK: Purchase of Knowlnk Poll Pads:

-In order to increase efficiencies, the County Clerk's Office purchased electronic poll pads for elections. Use of the pads decreases staff time and supply costs, while improving the check-in process at polling places. Ms. Zimmerman has proposed the purchase of two additional pads. Total cost for the pads and related equipment is \$2,860.00.

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk, said letters were mailed last week to polling locations that will no longer be needed following consolidation to notify them of the change. Zimmerman said after more review there is a need for only one poll pad instead of two. The final poll pad will make it possible to have all voting precincts operating with electronic poll pads.

Commissioner Schartz asked what is the plan was for consolidation. Zimmerman said there are currently 23 election boards at 21 polling locations. Following consolidation, that number will be reduced to 11 parling places with 9 election boards. Zimmerman said it is always difficult to take the vote further away the voter, but with all of the difficulties encountered trying to get poll workers for the primary and the cost of new voting equipment, it is time to consolidate. Zimmerman also noted they will be looking at the purchase of new voting equipment in 2019 and having consolidation already in place will be a plus.

Commissioner Schartz commented there was funding available when the County purchased the electronic voting equipment last time. Zimmerman said yes, Barton County received Federal HAVA funding that covered 90% of the cost and noted there is no Federal money available for this purchase.

Judy Goreham asked if there was a back-up plan should voter turnout decline with fewer locations and asked if Zimmerman would be able to reopen voting locations. Zimmerman said there has been a lot of consideration in closing locations however, after purchasing new equipment; it would be very difficult to open those locations back up. Zimmerman noted other counties of similar size have already consolidated locations and mentioned Ford County with five locations and Seward County with two locations.

Zimmerman said there is some concern about the consolidation in Great Bend, which will go from eight locations to four locations.

Commissioner Straub moved to purchase one electronic poll pad along with the case, printer and software from Knowlnk for \$1,430.00. That cost to be paid from the County General Fund, the County Clerk/Election, Office Furniture & Equipment Over \$50 Line, 001-04-6175-02. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. RESOLUTION 2018-16: Placement of Stop Signs at the Intersection of SE 30 Avenue and SE 40 Road in South Bend Township and at the Intersection of NW 80 Avenue and NW 160 Road in Grant I Albion Townships:

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-The County Engineer was asked to investigate two township road intersections to determine appropriate signage. Given sight distance restrictions, Barry McManaman, County Engineer, recommends that stop signs be placed at the intersection of SE 30 Avenue and SE 40 Road in South Bend Township and at the intersection of NW 80 Avenue and NW 160 Road in Grant and Albion Townships.

Barry McManaman, County Engineer, said the first intersection is southeast of Great Bend and has restricted sight distance due to a group of trees and a couple of homes on the southeast side. McManaman said after discussion with South Bend Township officials, he recommends placement of stop signs for east and west bound traffic. McManaman said the second intersection is north of Olmitz on the line between Grant and Albion Townships and noted on the south side of the road to the west side of the intersection there is a long tree row which causes a severe sight restriction as well as the added complication of the intersection being slightly offset. McManaman recommended installing stop signs for the east and west traffic.

Commissioner Schartz asked if he anticipated anyone coming forward that would be opposed to installation of the stop signs. McManaman said there was always a chance of that happening. We will always do what we can to provide safety and said the Road & Bridge Department will do the work.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to adopt Resolution 2018-16: Placement of Stop Signs at the Intersection of SE 30 Avenue and SE 40 Road in South Bend Township and at the Intersection of NW 80 Avenue and NW 160 Road in Grant and Albion Townships. Commissioner Straub seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion passed.

### LENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements

2. Appointments

### V. OTHER BUSINESS:

Comm Straub: Recapped trip to Washington, DC week before last. Toured East Wing of the White
House and attended conference in the Eisenhower Executive Office. Speakers Kellyanne Conway
discussed the opioid issue. Dr. Ben Carson discussed Housing and Development HUD. Vice-President
Pence made a surprise appearance. Frank Brogan, Assistant Secretary of Education, discussed school
shootings and violence. Also attended meetings on transportation, International Trade and EPA.

• Shelly Schneider, Health Director: Flu shots are in stock. Starting flu shots earlier this year. Have the following vaccine: High dose influenza for 65+ years; Flu Block-more concentrated for 18-64 years of age; Regular vaccine and nasal mist. Urged resident to dump standing water since West Nile is on the rise. Invited any community member to CIRCLES of Central Kansas Thursday night.

### VI. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis 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

ennifer Schartz, Chairman

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## RESOLUTION 2018-16 PLACEMENT OF STOP SIGNS

At the Intersection of SE 30 Avenue and SE 40 Road in South Bend Township and at the Intersection of NW 80 Avenue and NW 160 Road in Grant and Albion Townships

- **WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, has jurisdiction to place and maintain traffic control devices upon roadways under their jurisdiction as they may deem necessary; and
- **WHEREAS**, it is deemed in the public interest to control and regulate traffic at the intersection of various Barton County roads within this jurisdiction.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that the following signage should be placed at the following intersections:

The intersection of SE 30 Avenue and SE 40 Road being located in South Bend Township, Barton County, Kansas. One stop sign shall be placed at the southwest corner of the intersection and one stop sign shall be placed at the northeast corner of the intersection. Signage shall be placed so that traffic arriving from the east and west approaches shall stop for northbound and southbound traffic; and

The intersection of NW 80 Avenue and NW 160 Road being located in Grant and Albion Townships, Barton County, Kansas. One stop sign shall be placed at the southwest corner of the intersection and one stop sign shall be placed at the northeast corner of the intersection. Signage shall be placed so that traffic arriving from the east and west approaches shall stop for northbound and southbound traffic.

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all sign installation shall be made and maintained by the Board of Barton County Commissioners in accordance with the "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" as set forth by the Federal Highway Administration and adopted by the Kansas Department of Transportation; and
- **FURTHER** that should this Resolution be in conflict with any other resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that only the conflicting part of the previous resolution, and not the previous resolution in total, shall be declared void and ineffective; and
- **FURTHER**, the described stops shall become effective after the publication of this Resolution in the official County newspaper and upon the installation of appropriate signage.

**ADOPTED** this 27th day of August, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Donna Zirhizherman, County SERAL

APPROVED AS TO FORM: COUNTY CLERK

Carey Hipp, County Counselor