Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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July 30, 2024

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 30th day of July 2024, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Barb Esfeld, Commissioner, 2nd District, Chairman Shawn Hutchinson, Commissioner, 3rd District Tricia Schlessiger, Commissioner, 4th District, (Chairman Pro-Tem) Donna Zimmerman, Commissioner, 5th District Bev Schmeidler, County Clerk Matt Patzner, County Administrator Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor Members absent:

Duane Reif, Commissioner, 1st District

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Zimmerman moved to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2024, and the July 23, 2024, Regular Meetings.

Commissioner Schlessiger seconded the motion.

Ill voted aye. Motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-Bev Schmeidler, County Clerk, will present details. An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of July 16, 2024, and ending July 30, 2024.

Bev Schmeidler, County Clerk, presented details and asked for approval.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve appropriations for the period of July 16, 2024, to July 30, 2024. Authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Schlessiger seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

-There was no Old Business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. RESOLUTION 2024-16: Creation of a 911 / Communications Advisory Board and Rescinding Resolution 2008-19, Same, Adopted December 29, 2008:

-Dena Popp, 911 Director, will provide details. Barton County Resolution 2008-19, Creation of a 911/Communications Advisory Board, was adopted on December 29, 2008. In that resolution, membership was designated as the Barton County Sheriff, the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief / EMS Director of the Cities of Claflin, Ellinwood, Great Bend and Hoisington, the Lieutenant of the Kansas Highway Patrol as well as the Road and Bridge Director, who served as assistant Emergency Manager at that time. It is now suggested that the Road and Bridge Director be struck from that listing and that the arton County Emergency Management Director be added.

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Dena Popp, 911 Director, presented details and requested amending the resolution. Popp said she wanted to remove the Road & Bridge Director and add the Emergency Manager. Popp said she and Sean Kelly had been working together to establish an Emergency Communications Center in the dispatch center. It would be a hybrid, temporary location for the first 48 hours in an emergency. Popp said having Kelly there would be vital in getting additional resources from the state. Popp asked for the amendment.

Commissioner Schlessiger moved to adopt Resolution 2024-16, Creation of a 911 / Communications Advisory Board and Rescinding Resolution 2008-19, Same, Adopted December 29, 2008 Commissioner Hutchinson seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS: Maintenance, Support and Software Update Agreement:

-Ms. Popp will provide details. An agreement with Motorola Solutions was approved in September, 2020, for two 800 megahertz radio repeater towers. That agreement included maintenance, support and SUA (software update agreement) costs for one year. Communications has received a \$64,713.00 maintenance contract invoice for the continuation of services through April, 2025. It is suggested that the cost be paid through the General Fund.

Dena Popp, 911 Director, said SPARK funding could not be used for maintenance in future years of maintenance. Popp said they were in year 4 and the cost was \$64,713.00. The contract provided alarms, heat alarms for intrusion, heat and power outages. It also provided monthly updates to keep up with technology as well as software and firmware updates. Popp asked for approval of the contract.

Commissioner Zimmerman asked Popp if she had always had good response time and communications with Motorola. Popp said that was correct.

Commissioner Hutchinson asked Popp if she wanted to talk about the plan with the Susank Tower. Popp said they would be looking at replacing it in the future due to wear and tear. She was unsure of how old it was, the county purchased it in 1989.

Commissioner Hutchinson said the county was saving for it.

Commissioner Zimmerman moved to approve payment of the \$64,713.00 Motorola Solutions Maintenance, Support and SUA invoice. Cost to be paid from the General Fund, Tower Site Maintenance Line, 001-36-5960.

Commissioner Hutchinson seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS: Maintenance, Support and Software Update Agreement:

-Ms. Popp will provide details. The County approved a Motorola Solutions agreement in 2022 for a radio console upgrade at the Communications Center. That agreement included maintenance, support and SUA (software update agreement) costs for the first year. The County has received a \$35,253.00 invoice for the continuation of services.

Dena Popp, 911 Director, said they also had a maintenance agreement for the internal 800 megahertz in their consoles. Service through the end of March along with monthly upgrades.

Commissioner Zimmerman said Popp wanted to pay for this contract with the 911 Tax Fund, was she doing that based on the amount and the funds she had available. Popp said that was correct.

commissioner Hutchinson noted that was not property tax funds.

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commissioner Schlessiger moved to approve the payment of the \$35,253.00 Motorola Solutions Maintenance, Support and Software Update Agreement (SUA) invoice. Cost to be paid from the 911 Tax Fund, Maintenance of Machinery and Equipment Line, 080-86-5460. Commissioner Hutchinson seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. ROAD AND BRIDGE: Equipment Replacement - Purchase of a Truck:

-Darren Williams, County Works Director, will provide details. Earlier this year, Road and Bridge asked for vehicle quotes for a ¾ ton, 4x4, crew cab, full size 4-door truck cab without a bed. Should the purchase be approved, it is anticipated that a 2008 Ford F350 would be sold at auction.

Darren Williams, County Works Director, said they had received three bids to replace a Ford F350 truck that was no longer in service. The following bids were received:

 Ehler Chevrolet
 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD FWD Crew Cab 172
 \$52,840.20

 Marmie Ford
 2024 F250 4x4 Crew Cab / 160
 \$56,480.00

 Marmie Motors
 2024 2500 Tradesman Crew Cab 4x4
 \$46,784.00

Williams said they would recommend going with the 2024 Chevrolet Silverado that would best fit their operations.

Commissioner Hutchinson asked Williams the measures they had taken to try to keep the pickup running and in use. Williams said they had spent over \$21,000.00 since 2017 trying to get the truck repaired and still had not found the issue. It had been to three different dealerships and mechanics, but nobody had been able to figure out the problem.

Commissioner Zimmerman asked Williams if the Chevrolet was gas or diesel. Williams said all three were gas.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the purchase of a 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD FWD Crew Cab 172 from Ehler Chevrolet for \$52,840.20. Cost to be paid from the Road and Bridge Fund, Equipment – Operation and Construction, 002-92-6175. Direct the County Administrator to include the 2008 Ford F350 in the County Auction to be held later this year. Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. ROAD AND BRIDGE: Building Repair – July, 2023, Storm Damage:

-Mr. Williams will provide details. Several buildings at the Road and Bridge complex were damaged in the July, 2023, storm. The County is in receipt of a Washington Roofing and Insulation Inc proposal for repair of four buildings for a total cost of \$89,227.00. A portion of that cost has been reimbursed to the County by a previous insurance carrier.

Darren Williams, County Works Director, said Washington Roofing would repair the application surface by pressure washing the roof areas, install an epoxy primer to the existing metal roofs, repair seams and install an acrylic coating to all the repaired areas. Williams said he believed it would be covered with insurance funds.

Matt Patzner, County Administrator, said the initial payment was received in 2023. After the repairs were made, they would turn in the invoices and there would be some recoverable depreciation probably in the range of \$20,000.00 - \$30,000.00. Patzner added that should wrap up all repairs from the 2023 storm, countywide.

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commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the repair of certain buildings at the Barton County Road and Bridge Complex. Cost of storm damage, as estimated by Washington Roofing, is \$89,227.00. Cost to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund, Road and Bridge – Building and Fixed Equipment Line, 071-00-6335.

Commissioner Schlessiger seconded the motion.

Motion passed 3-0. Commissioner Zimmerman abstained.

No Executive Session Held

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

-Chairman Barb Esfeld will present. Any Commissioner may make a motion for the board to recess to executive session at this time as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319. Any motion must contain the justification for the executive session, the subject matter to be discussed, any individuals in addition to the board who will attend the executive session and the time at which the regular session shall resume.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

Announcements

2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

Commissioner Esfeld – Shelly Schneider reached out about a health meeting in Manhattan. Karen Winkelman said there would be meetings held across the state with the closest being in Pratt. Commissioner Schlessiger – Pawnee Rock Annual Run to the Rock would be August 10th.

VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Schlessiger moved to adjourn at 9:21 A.M.

Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion.

Il voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

Bev Schmeidler

Barton County Clerk

Barb Esfeld, Chairman

RESOLUTION 2024-16

Creation of a 911 / Communications Advisory Board and Rescinding Resolution 2008-19, Same, Adopted December 29, 2008

- WHEREAS, Barton County has successfully implemented a 911 system that allows for consistency in addressing, answering, and directing emergency and other services through a central answering point; and
- WHEREAS, that system has been augmented through a 911 / Communications Advisory Board comprised of emergency service personnel; and
- **WHEREAS**, these members have provided professional opinions and advice throughout the years.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, formally creates a 911 / Communications Advisory Board to:
 - 1.) Insure the 911 center is in compliance with and operating pursuant to the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System Administrative Policy and Procedure Manual.
 - 2). Provide advice and guidance to the 911 Director relative to operations of the 911 / Communications Center.
 - 3.) Improve communications between the 911 Center and supporting agencies.
 - 4.) Perform other functions as requested by the Board of County Commissioners.

FURTHER, the Advisory Board shall operate as follows:

1.) Membership

The members of the 911 / Communications Advisory Board shall consist of the Barton County Sheriff, the Chief of Police of the Cities of Claflin, Ellinwood, Great Bend and Hoisington, the Fire Chief or EMS Director of the Cities of Claflin, Ellinwood, Great Bend and Hoisington, the Lieutenant of the Kansas Highway Patrol, and the Barton County Emergency Management Director with each member being able to name a designee in his or her place;

2.) Meetings

Said Advisory Board shall meet at least bi-annually with the Barton County 911 Director responsible for setting such meetings.

FURTHER, the 911 Director will provide to the County Commission a written summary of said meeting within two weeks of its close; and

FURTHER, that Resolution 2008-19, Creation of a 911 / Communications Advisory Board, adopted December 29, 2008, is hereby rescinded.

ADOPTED this 30th day of July, 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Barb Esfeld, Chairman

Shawn Hutchinson, Commissioner

ABSENT

Duane A Reif, Commissioner

Tricia Schlessiger, Compaissioner

Donna Zimmerman, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Bev Schmeidler County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor