

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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July 13, 2020

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 13th day of July 2020, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District, Chairman
Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District
James R. Daily, Commissioner, 4th District
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

Members attending via phone/Teams:

Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District (Chairman Pro-Tem)

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Daily moved to approve the agenda.
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

The minutes of the July 6, 2020, Regular Meeting were not available.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. DECLARATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY: COVID-19:

-After approval by Chairman Kenny Schremmer on March 18, 2020, the Commission ratified the Declaration of a State of Local Public Health Emergency as a result of the COVID-19 event at a Special Meeting held March 20, 2020. On May 18, 2020, the declaration was extended sixty days. At this time, the Commission will be asked to extend the declaration until January 26, 2021, unless terminated earlier. The extension of the disaster declaration allows for the County to receive state and federal aid.

Amy Miller, Emergency Risk Manager, said in order to receive state and federal aid during this public health emergency, we must have a disaster declaration in place. We are almost to the end of our 60-day extension from May. This allows us to call to the state emergency operation center for any resources we may need in Barton County. Miller said all hospitals appear to have enough supply on hand. Miller said last week, she handed out a 90-day supply to non-medical organizations such as schools, the college and a couple of other providers within the community.

Schremmer asked about some of the masks. Are they not too good? Miller said the N95 is the top of the line. Miller said they were told other masks were just as good, but they were not.

Schremmer said a lot of them are made from a piece of cut goods just like what is in a dress. His doctor told him they are not any good. Miller said according to the CDC, masks made from tightly woven material (like percale sheets) which are 2-ply are recommended for face coverings.

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Commissioner Daily moved to approve the Declaration of a State of Local Public Health Emergency for Barton County, Kansas, as a result of COVID-19.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. KANSAS CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING GRANT: Law Enforcement Agencies Project:

-On July 6, 2020, it was announced that Barton County was awarded a \$102,356.00 Federal Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) grant from the Kansas Governor's Grant Program. This grant was written for funds to prevent, prepare, and respond to the Coronavirus pandemic. The granted project includes updates for phone and surveillance equipment for law enforcement agencies, community corrections and juvenile services. A Request for Proposal was released for hardware needed to complete the project.

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator, said Dereck Hollingshead sought bids for equipment for IT needs. Hollingshead received up to 6 bids for the equipment. SHI provided the low bid and Nex-Tech provided the cloud phone quotes. Hathcock said we received local bids that were much higher.

Commissioner Schartz said there has been some misunderstanding about how IT is helping in this pandemic. Schartz asked why this is allowed under the grant and said a lot of people thought the grant was for masks and hand sanitizer. Hathcock said this particular grant was for law enforcement and telecommunication. This was a specific law enforcement grant in relation to COVID. A lot of their functions have become remote.

Commissioner Daily said IT's role is they have the expertise to work with this equipment.

Commissioner Daily moved to purchase the following described items, for the total of \$102,318.21, from the Kansas CESF Fund, Equipment Line, 900-24-6165-60 according to list included in the agenda:

FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES PROJECT			
DESCRIPTION	COMPANY	BID	ACCOUNT
RFP Needs	SHI	\$ 50,806.66	900-24-6165-60
In addition to RFP	SHI	\$ 34,036.10	900-24-6165-60
Compatible Cloud Phones	Nex-Tech	\$ 12,762.00	900-24-6165-60
RFP TOTAL		\$ 97,604.76	
Project Basics	SHI	\$ 4,713.45	900-24-6165-60
PROJECT TOTAL		\$102,318.21	

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. COURTHOUSE DOOR SECURITY PROJECT: Kansas Health Foundation Impact & Capacity Grant and Wal-Mart Community Grant:

-Barton County has received funds from the Kansas Health Foundation Impact & Capacity Grant and the Wal-Mart Community Grant. These awards are to be used, in part, to support COVID-19 response and recovery activities dealing with security measures. To better provide security at the Courthouse in the event of a future closure, the County received bids to replace the exterior doors of the Courthouse and install an electronic key card system.

Hathcock, County Administrator, said this is for the replacement of the doors on the east and west side of the courthouse. Hathcock said we have been experiencing problems with the hinges and

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automatic openers. Hathcock said an electronic card access security system is also included. This system would help in the event the courthouse was ever closed down again. Employees could have access and this system would eliminate the need to have the doors manned with security guards. We could also unlock the doors remotely in the event there is a fire for example.

Commissioner Daily asked if the \$19,000 also included the key card. Hathcock said yes it does.

Amy Miller said not all employees have the ID cards. Hathcock said some new cards would have to be issued and said the access can be determined per employee.

Commissioner Daily moved to authorize the purchase of two (2) pair of Manko 150 doors and Stanley Magic Force Handicap Operators for the Courthouse Door Security Project from Jimlo Glass in the amount of \$19,960.00. That is to be paid from the Courthouse General Account of the General Fund, Buildings and Fixed Equipment Line, 001-18-6305.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

IV. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

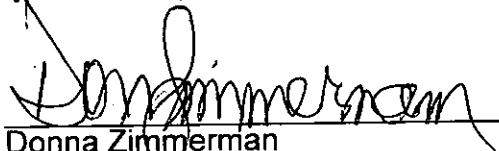
ADJOURN:


Commissioner Kruckenberg made a motion to adjourn at 9:24 A.M.

Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Kenny Schlemmer, Chairman

**DECLARATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
For Barton County, Kansas**

WHEREAS, on the 13th day of July 2020, the Board of Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas declared there continues to be a State of Local Public Health Emergency within Barton County, Kansas as a result of the occurring public health emergency and Pandemic – known as COVID-19, which presents an imminent threat in Barton County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has all right and/or powers to perform such functions as are vested in said Board by and through the provision of the Kansas Emergency Act of 1975 and amendments thereto;

WHEREAS, such conditions endanger the public health, safety, and welfare of persons within the border of Barton County, Kansas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas:

1. That a State of Local Public Health Emergency within Barton County, Kansas, declared on the 23rd day of March 2020, and was then extended on the 18th day of May 2020, for a period of sixty (60) days.
2. That the State of Local Public Health Emergency within Barton County, Kansas, is hereby renewed and extended, and will remain in effect indefinitely during the County's response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the continuing impacts thereof, unless terminated earlier or renewed by consent of the board of county commissioners, or as otherwise provided by law or executive order.
3. That the area within the borders of Barton County, Kansas covered by this declaration of local disaster emergency encompasses the entire area of Barton County, Kansas.
4. This declaration of a local public health emergency shall activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all local and inter-jurisdictional emergency plans which are applicable to Barton County, Kansas and shall initiate the rendering of aid and assistance there under.
5. The Board of County Commissioners has all rights and/or powers to perform such functions as are vested in said Board by and through the provision of the Kansas Emergency Management Act. Any rights or powers lawfully exercised, or any actions taken pursuant to local disaster emergency plans shall continue and have full force and effect as authorized by law unless modified or terminated in the manner prescribed by law.
6. This declaration of a local public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Barton County Clerk
7. That a state of local public health emergency continues to exist and shall remain in effect until January 26, 2021, unless terminated earlier by this issuing authority.


RESOLVED by the Board of Barton County Commission this 13th day of July, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Kenny Schremmer, District #1 Chairman

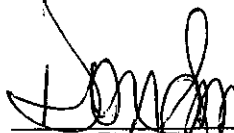

Homer Kruckenberg, District #2, Member

AFFIRMED via Teams
Don Davis, District #3, Member, Via Teams


James R. Daily, District #4, Member

AFFIRMED via Teams
Jennifer Schartz, District #5, Member, Via Teams

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Patrick Hoffman
County Counselor