

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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May 20, 2019

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 20th day of May 2019, 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
James R. Daily, Commissioner, 4th District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the agenda with the exception of the need to eliminate Item B. Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Daily moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 13th. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMERGENCY RISK MANAGEMENT: Declaration of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Barton County, Kansas:

-Barton County has experienced damages as a result of the flooding, high winds and excessive rainfall during the period of April 28 through May 9, 2019. In an effort to review the damages in Barton County with state and local officials, the County Commission has been asked to sign a Disaster Declaration.

Amy Miller, Emergency Management Director, said Barton County received damages from an EF-0 tornado and also had some damages from floodwaters and high water on the township roads. Miller reported Barton County is right on the edge of having enough "Public Assistance" damage in order to be declared a disaster.

Commissioner Schartz asked what the threshold is. Miller said it is right at \$104,800.

Miller said she knows we have also had a lot of high water issues not necessarily from floodwater, but from an increased water table. Asking people to call in to report if they have water in their basements from the increased water level. We need a certain number of people to report in order to qualify for individual disaster assistance. For a county, that threshold is 25 people. Miller said individual assistance might not be grant money and may possibly come in the form of low-interest loans.

Miller stressed she needs to know if it is actually floodwater coming into the home or water from the elevated water table. Miller urged individuals to call 620-793-1919 and said if she is unavailable to leave

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a message with details, a return phone number and address. Individuals can also e-mail her at: emermgnt@bartoncounty.org

Commissioner Daily moved to declare the Declaration of a State of Local Disaster Emergency and forward the Declaration to the Kansas Division of Emergency Management.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. RESOLUTION 2019-09: A Resolution Granting a 10-Year Non-Exclusive Franchise to Cox Communications Kansas, LLC, Its Successors and Assigns to Construct, Operate, and Maintain a Cable Television System Within the County of Barton, Kansas:

-The Commission will be asked to adopt Resolution 2019-09, A Resolution Granting a 10-Year Non-Exclusive Franchise to Cox Communications Kansas, LLC, Its Successors and Assigns to Construct, Operate, and Maintain a Cable Television System Within the County of Barton, Kansas. Per the Resolution, Barton County receives five percent (5%) of the Gross Annual Receipts from Cox as is allowed by the FCC.

ITEM TABLED

C. COURTHOUSE EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE: Mid Continental Restoration:

-The exterior of the Courthouse is currently being cleaned, resealed and painted by Mid Continental Restoration. During the cleaning process, the windows were pressure washed and the paint on the metal portions of the windows showed considerable oxidation and fading. Repainting of the windows was not included in the original contract in order to reduce costs. A change order to repaint the oxidized areas of the windows has been submitted by the contractor, Mid Continental Restoration.

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator, said the rain has hindered their work. Hathcock said they discovered the metal clad windows show a lot of oxidation after they were cleaned and noted painting the exterior window frames was not included in the original estimate.

Commissioner Daily asked how long the paint would last. Hathcock said they estimate 30 years.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the \$16,829.00 change order from Mid Continental Restoration Co., Inc., for painting of the windows at the Barton County Courthouse. Cost of the work to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund, General Building and Fixed Equipment Line, 071-00-6305.

Commissioner Daily seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. ROAD AND BRIDGE: Electrical Work at the Ellinwood Sand Pit:

-The Road and Bridge Department constructed a building at the Ellinwood sand pit to house equipment and materials in early 2019. Electric service and outlets were installed to the building to power lights and engine heaters for the equipment.

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator, said Road and Bridge constructed the building at the sandpit earlier this year and as part of that project, they found they needed electrical. The Road & Bridge Department authorized Triple T electric do the work and now need your approval.

Commissioner Daily asked if the building is enclosed. Hathcock said one side of the structure is open and noted the building houses the loader and small equipment.

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Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve the \$5,016.28 invoice from Triple T Electric for installation on electric service to the Ellinwood sand pit building. Cost of the work to be paid from the Road & Bridge Fund, Building Improvements Line, 002-92-6215.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

- Hathcock: South Hoisington was flooded Saturday evening, but receded quickly. The Road & Bridge crews are working to keep water flowing and culverts and ditches cleared of debris.

IV. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

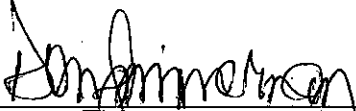
VI. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:21 A.M.


Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:



Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk



Jennifer Schartz, Chairman

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

WHEREAS, on the 20th day of May, 2019, the Board of Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas finds that certain conditions have caused, or eminently threaten to cause wide-spread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property in disaster proportion in Barton County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 48-932 provides that a state of local disaster or emergency may be declared by the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners or in his absence a majority of the remaining members of any County having a disaster emergency plan, upon a finding by such officer or officers that a disaster has occurred or the threat thereof is imminent within such County; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 48-904 defines disaster as "the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or manmade cause, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, epidemics, contagious or infectious disease, air contamination, blight, drought, infestation, explosion, riot, terrorism or hostile military or paramilitary action"; and

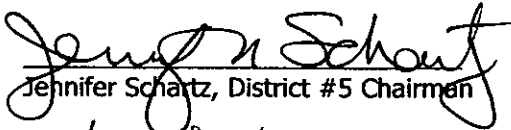
WHEREAS, the County of Barton County within its borders experienced conditions which created obstructions that endangered the health, safety and welfare of persons and property, beginning on April 28, 2019 and continuing through May 9, 2019.

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

1. There was an imminent threat of flooding from repeated rain storms, large hail, high wind damage, as well as tornado damages that created hazardous driving conditions, impeded public safety and emergency services response, and caused damages to public and personal property within the borders of Barton County.
2. This Declaration shall be in full force and effect for a period not to exceed seven (7) days from the declared effective date set forth below unless terminated earlier or extended by this issuing authority.

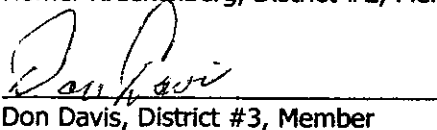
DECLARED by the Barton County Commission Chairman this 20th day of May, 2019.

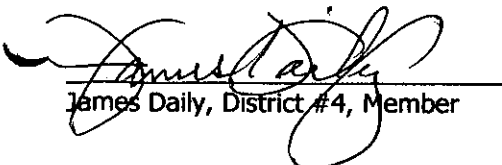
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Jennifer Schartz, District #5 Chairman

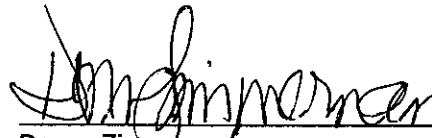

Kenny Schremmer, District #1, Member

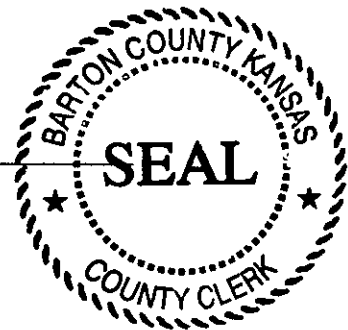

Homer Kruckenberg, District #2, Member


Don Davis, District #3, Member

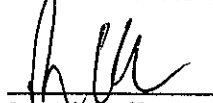

James Daily, District #4, Member

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmermah
County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Patrick Hoffman
County Counselor