

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

Recorded audio is available on compact disk upon KORA request to the Barton County Clerk's Office, 1400 Main – Room 202, Great Bend, Kansas 67530.
Phone (620) 793-1835 \ Fax (620) 793-1990 \ Email clerk@bartoncounty.org
Meetings Live Streamed through **Microsoft Teams®**

November 23, 2020

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 23rd day of November 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
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District (*Chairman Pro-Tem*)
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Phil Hathcock, County Administrator
Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor

Members attending via phone / Teams:

Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

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

Minutes of the November 2, 2020, and the November 9, 2020, Regular Meetings were not available.

APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of November 9, 2020, and ending November 23, 2020.

Commissioner Daily moved to approve the appropriations for the period of November 9, 2020, to November 23, of 2020 and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.
Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. APPRAISER'S OFFICE: Jame Allen – Registered Mass Appraiser (RMA) Designation:

-Kansas Administrative Regulations detail the prerequisites for earning the Kansas Registered Mass Appraisal designation. These include 170 mandatory course hours, 6,000 hours of mass appraisal experience and successful completion of both a residential and commercial case study. Jame Allen, Appraiser I, has recently earned her RMA designation.

Barb Esfeld, County Appraiser, said Jame Allen was hired July 2, 2001 and promoted to Appraiser I in January 2004. That meant she could go out into the field and set values. Esfeld said obtaining an RMA designation this is not easy to do. These classes are very difficult and requires hours of study. The RMA designation requires the candidate also pass a residential and commercial case study. Proud to say Jame passed the requirement in October, 2019. Their Appraiser Conference was a virtual conference, so she was not able to be pinned at conference by PVD. Esfeld presented Jame Allen with her RMA pin.

Commissioner Schartz said this is really no small feat and is far and above more than what you would have to do for a bachelor's degree or even a master's degree. Commissioner Schartz asked how many

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

Recorded audio is available on compact disk upon KORA request to the Barton County Clerk's Office, 1400 Main – Room 202, Great Bend, Kansas 67530.

Phone (620) 793-1835 \ Fax (620) 793-1990 \ Email clerk@bartoncounty.org

Meetings Live Streamed through **Microsoft Teams®**

ve completed their RMA. Esfeld said there are five: Jame Allen, Tracy Miller, Wendy Prosser, Christina Doyle and Phil Kepka. Esfeld said the Continuity of Operations will be seamless when they appoint their new appraiser. Esfeld said having a staff this dedicated makes the Barton County Appraisal team stronger.

Jame Allen thanked everyone for their support.

Commissioner Schremmer said Barb Esfeld has worked hard to provide the opportunity for the Appraisal staff to receive training.

Commissioner Schartz moved to congratulate Jame Allen on being named a Kansas Registered Mass Appraiser.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. SUNFLOWER DIVERSIFIED: Letters of Support - Tax Exemption on Certain Properties:

-Sunflower Diversified Services is seeking a tax exemption on properties at 5605 – 10th Street and 5611 – 10th Street, Great Bend, Kansas. The properties house Sunflower's recycling and case management services, respectively. Jon Prescott, CEO, Sunflower, reports that Sunflower collected 2.8 million pounds of recycling materials in 2019 and 3.5 million pounds as of September, 2020. Case management has grown from 86 clients in 2019 to 113 in 2020. The Commission will be asked to provide Letters of Support.

Phil Hathcock, County Administrator, said before you are two Letters of Support and noted Jon Prescott could not be here this morning. They have acquired two new properties on 10th Street beside their recycling facility. Hathcock said these properties will allow them to expand their recycling quite a bit.

Commissioner Schartz said UPS is in the building and is a for-profit business. Schartz asked how it can be an exempt property.

Phil Hathcock said this is the old Pro-Tint building. They are the two buildings to the west of the recycling center.

Commissioner Daily moved to issue Letters of Support for Sunflower Diversified Services in their efforts to have properties located at 5605 – 10th Street and 5611 – 10th Street, Great Bend, Kansas, granted Tax Exempt status for non-profits.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

Recorded audio is available on compact disk upon KORA request to the Barton County Clerk's Office, 1400 Main – Room 202, Great Bend, Kansas 67530.

Phone (620) 793-1835 \ Fax (620) 793-1990 \ Email clerk@bartoncounty.org

Meetings Live Streamed through **Microsoft Teams®**

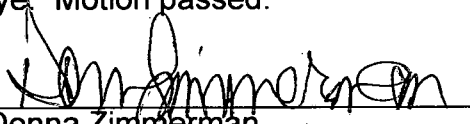
ADJOURN:

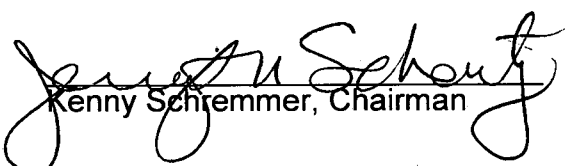
Commissioner Kruckenberg made a motion to adjourn at 9:19 A.M.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Kenny Schremmer, Chairman