

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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January 20, 2009

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 20th day of January 2009, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tem)

Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd District

John Edmonds, Commissioner, 3rd District

Kirby Krier, Commissioner, 4th District

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District, Chairperson

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Krier moved to make an amendment to the agenda, and include Item F.

CPI Board Replacement.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Edmonds asked about missing a portion of the January 12, 2009 minutes.

County Clerk, Donna Zimmerman, explained the last page of the minutes didn't copy when they were sent from her computer to Diana' computer in the Administrator's Office.

He said everyone had now received a complete set of the minutes.

Commissioner Edmonds moved to **approve** the minutes of the January 12, 2009 regular meeting.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of January 5, 2009 through January 19, 2009.

Commissioner Edmonds requested a separate motion to approve an item on page 15 to M&F Plumbing in the amount of \$2326.56.

Commissioner Edmonds moved to adopt the accounts payable report with the exception of the item on page 15 payable to M&F Plumbing.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed 5 - 0.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve appropriations for the period of January 5, 2009 through January 19, 2009 with the exception of what John had to say.

Commissioner Schremmer withdrew his motion.

Commissioner Krier moved to approve the expenditure for M&F Plumbing invoice 71017 line item 4350 for an amount \$2,326.56.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

Commissioner Schremmer, Commissioner Kruckenberg, Commissioner Krier and Commissioner Schartz all voted aye.

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Commissioner Edmonds abstained.
Motion passed 4 – 0.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD: Kay Owens, Communications:

-The Employee Relations Committee recommends those outstanding individuals for the "Employee Recognition Award". Generally, the recognition is given quarterly. At this time, the Commission will be asked to recognize Kay Owens, Communications Dispatcher. Ms. Owens was nominated by Rachel Corn, a 911 supervisor. The nomination details the work of Owens in dispatching to a vehicle accident site where there were multiple injuries. In addition to providing information to first responders, Owens continued to provide needed information to officers, answer incoming calls, relay information to ambulance units and coordinate an on-site transport with Eagle Med.

Stan Behrends, past President of ERC, and Pam Wornkey, new President of ERC, provided details.

Kay Owens, of 911 Communications, stated she would also like to have Rachel Corn's name added to the plaque and that they worked together.

Commissioner Schremmer in conjunction with the Employee Relations Committee, moved to honor Kay Owens, Communications, with the Employee Recognition Award.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. MATCHING FUND REQUEST: SouthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging:

-The SouthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging (SWKAAA) is requesting matching funds from Barton County in the amount of \$1,500.00. These funds, which would be used as "Seed Dollars", are an equivalent match to the \$387,141 in services received by older residents and low income families from Barton County. The County has traditionally provided this match from the Finance General Account of the General Fund.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, presented details.

Commissioner Krier moved to authorize an expenditure of \$1,500.00 for 2009 financial support for the Southwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging. Payment to be made from Finance General Account, SWKAAA line – 10-24-5030.

Commissioner Krier noted the funding level had been the same for many years.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES: 2009 Membership Dues:

-The Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) has submitted a renewal notice for 2009 membership. The dues are \$5,064.37, up \$194.38 from the 2008 dues. The Association sponsors the annual KAC Conference, various educational meetings throughout the year and lobbies the State and Federal Legislature on behalf of Kansas Counties. KAC will also assist Counties with budgeting, surveys and legislative efforts upon request.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, presented details.

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Commissioner Edmonds said he preferred we not renew our membership citing his past experience with KAC as a former legislator.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to approve the 2009 KAC Membership Dues of \$5,064.37. Payment to be made from the Courthouse General Account, Membership line – 10-18-4325.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

Commissioner Schartz, Commissioner Schremmer, Commissioner Krier and Commissioner Kruckenberg voted aye.

Commissioner Edmonds voted nay.

Motion passed 4 to 1.

D. GOLDEN BELT MEMORIAL PARK: Veteran's Section – Curb and Guttering:

-The County Engineer's Office designed a curb and guttering system for an existing road in the middle section of the Golden Belt Memorial Park. The system will define the boundaries of the planned Veterans Section. Bids were accepted for the work. As a part of a continuing plan of Memorial Park improvements, monies are available in the Cemetery Fund.

Dale Phillips, Road and Bridge Director, presented details and recommended the Klaver Construction bid be accepted, as they have experience in Barton County and will already be in the area working.

Commissioner Edmonds asked if the project could be deferred three (3) years in anticipation of revenue shortages in the 2010 and 2011 budgets. He stressed the need to defer expenses wherever possible.

As a review, bids were received from three vendors as follows:

<i>Suchy Construction</i>	<i>\$35,957.50</i>
<i>Concrete Service Co.</i>	<i>\$22,500.00</i>
<i>Klaver Construction</i>	<i>\$16,330.00</i>

The following individual(s) presented information or made comments:

Becky Wornkey

Commissioner Kruckenberg moved to approve the curb and guttering bid for the Golden Belt Memorial Park as provided by Klaver Construction in an amount not to exceed \$16,330.00. Payment to be made from the Cemetery Fund, Improvements Other than Buildings, 47-10-4410.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. COUNTY ENGINEER: Geotechnical Engineering Services, Bridge Project 5C-4473-01:

-Subsurface exploration and geotechnical engineering services will be required for Bridge Replacement Project 5C-4473-01. This project involves a replacement bridge on NW 30th Avenue over the Walnut Creek with the consultant developing the final design for the substructure of the bridge. Terracon Consulting Engineers and Scientists presented the low bid at a not to exceed cost of \$10,500.00.

Clark Rusco, County Engineer, presented details.

Commissioner Krier moved to accept the Terracon proposal with the payment not to exceed \$10,500.00 to be made from the Special Bridge Fund, Professional Services line 17-10-4330.

Commissioner Kruckenberg seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

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ADDED ITEM F: CPI BOARD REPLACEMENT:

Commissioner Schremmer reported a CPI Board Member approached him about Kirby Krier being appointed to the CPI Board.

Commissioner Schremmer moved to nominate Kirby Krier to the CPI Board.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

Commissioner Schartz, Commissioner Edmonds, Commissioner Kruckenberg, and Commissioner Schremmer voted aye.

Commissioner Krier abstained.

Motion passed 4 to 1.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Comm Schartz: Congressman Jerry Moran will be at Oil & Gas Museum 1/24/09 at 9am. The Commissioners may attend.
- Comm Krier: Suggested the Commissioners request an accounting of all funds that run through the Sheriff's Office. He called for a total accounting for the last four years of all checks and deposits in the 10 checking accts that are used for prisoner accounts, jail canteen and other uses. Krier said the Commissioners had no knowledge of the checking accounts until now and don't know what the money was spent on.
- Comm Edmonds: Asked Richard Boeckman to provide a close estimate on the effect of the oil price change from 2009 to 2010 estimating how much money we expect to loose. Comm Edmonds further requested information on the funds we presently receive from the State as this funding may be cut if the State follows the proposed budget cuts.
- Becky Wornkey: Asked if Commissioners voted on above ground headstones at North end of Hillcrest Cemetery. Richard Boeckman said the Commission had discussed at study session but was still working on a final Resolution.
- Comm Schartz: Attended legislative coffee last Saturday and noted there's been a change in the open meetings law from a majority of a quorum to a simple majority. Therefore two members of the Commission can be present at the same time. She noted both she and Comm Edmonds were at legislative coffee.
- Comm Edmonds: Requested Richard Boeckman brief the Commission on the current state of KOMA.
- Comm Schartz: Senator Teichman thanked Barton County for attending the highway mtg in Garden City. She said she, Clark Rusco, Former Comm Wilson, Comm Schremmer and Comm Kruckenberg attended. Barton County supported a Super Two Highway instead of the NorthWest Passage, which was very well received.
- Comm Schartz: Asked Senator Teichman about Machinery & Equip Exemption Slider. Teichman reported all is still up in the air and reimbursements will probably be pushed back.


VII. ADJOURN:

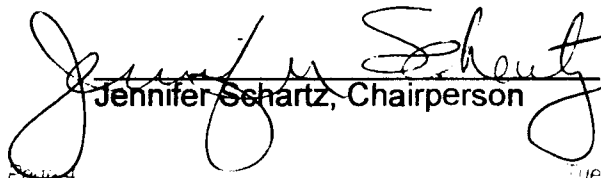
Commissioner Kruckenberg made a motion to adjourn at 10:15 A.M.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:


Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk


Jennifer Schartz, Chairperson

Tuesday, January 20, 2009