

# Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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December 1, 2008

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2008, at the Barton County Courthouse.

*Members present:*

Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District, Chairman

Betty Chlumsky, Commissioner, 2nd District

Joe Wilson, Commissioner, 3rd District

Kirby Krier, Commissioner, 4th District

Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District (Chairman Pro-Tem)

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

## **I. OPENING BUSINESS:**

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

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

The minutes of the November 24, 2008 regular meeting were not available.

## **II. OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

## **III. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. NATIONAL OCEANIC & ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA): Dedication of the Weather Radio All Hazards Transmitter:**

-Officials from NOAA's Wichita National Weather Service office will dedicate the NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards transmitter. Providing weather forecasts and alert broadcasts to approximately 121,000 residents of the previously underserved areas of west-central Kansas, broadcasts will now cover all of Barton County and parts of Ellsworth, Pawnee, Reno, Rice, Rush, Russell and Stafford Counties.

Dick Elder, Meteorologist in Charge; Chance Hayes, Warning Coordination Meteorologist; and Amy Miller, Emergency Risk Manager, provided details and said a NOAA radio will be provided to each public and private school. Local alerts will be on NOAA and in late 2009 the County will have direct access to local alerts.

Information Only. No Action Required.

### **B. JUVENILE SERVICES: Program Purchase:**

-As part of the DFYIT program, t-shirts are purchased each year for members in the Barton and Rice County schools as an incentive for voluntary participation. This year, a total of 490 shirts were purchased, allowing for 40 new members by the end of the Fiscal Year. Monies were budgeted in the Prevention Fund for this purpose. It should be noted that DFYIT members conduct a fund-raising activity to off-set such expenses.

Laurie White, Juvenile Services Director, provided details.

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Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the purchase of t-shirts for the DFYIT Program from Identifications in the amount of \$3,744.00. The payment to be provided from the Prevention Fund, Professional Services line, 82-10-5330.

Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **C. WETLANDS AND WILDLIFE NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY: Memorandum of Understanding:**

-The Wetlands and Wildlife National Scenic Byway is a 77-mile route running through Barton, Stafford and Reno County. To enhance the visitor experience, a series of interpretive panels have been developed. These panels are to be placed in corridor communities and key wildlife areas. As a lead partner, Barton County drafted and submitted a Memorandum of Understanding to the communities and other affected organizations. Although specific to the organization, the memo details placement options and upkeep regulations.

Janet Crane, Financial Officer, provided details.

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for each of the twelve agencies affected by placement of the Wetlands and Wildlife National Scenic Byway Interpretive Panels.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **D. BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: Requirements of Regular and Special Meeting Notification:**

-KSA 75-4318 states, in general, as an open meeting requirement, a public body may require that a request to receive notice (of regular and special meetings) must be submitted to the body prior to the commencement of a fiscal year. As the County prepares for Fiscal Year 2009, the Commission may direct staff to request written notification from the public to receive meeting announcements. Such requests would be made of the businesses and persons currently receiving announcements.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, presented details.

Commissioner Krier moved to direct the Administrator's Office to provide a notice to individuals, the media and local governments asking for notification that they wish to continue receiving notice of all commission agenda and special meetings for 2009.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **E. OCCUPANCY AGREEMENTS: 12th and Kansas, Great Bend:**

-The KSU \ Barton County Extension Council and the State of Kansas Parole Office are housed in the Barton County Office Building at 12th and Kansas, Great Bend. The proposed agreements, set to expire December 31, 2009, allow each agency office space, as well as use of the County's phone and long distance services and central office supply. Each agency has a separate agreement for the provided space and services.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, provided details.

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the Occupancy Agreements for the KSU/Barton County Extension Council and the State of Kansas Parole Office. All agreements set to expire December 31, 2009. Direct staff to submit the approved agreements to the agencies.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

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## **F. OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT: Head Start:**

-The County provides office space to the Head Start program in the Barton County Office Building, 352 W 12<sup>th</sup>, Hoisington, Kansas. The proposed occupancy agreement, set to expire December 31, 2009, allows for shared space at a monthly rate of \$290.00. The monies are charged to offset the cost of utilities.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, presented details.

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the Occupancy Agreement for Head Start. The agreement is set to expire December 31, 2009. Direct staff to submit the approved agreements to the agencies.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

## **G. COUNTY SERVICES: Informational Update:**

-Mr. Boeckman will provide the informational report of work completed during the last period. The report, which will be made available to the media, will serve as a public reminder of the services provided by the County on a regular basis.

Information Only. No Action Required.

## **IV. ENDING BUSINESS:**

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

## **V. OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Comm Wilson: Expressed extreme concern with KDOT enhancements and KLINK program. We should send a letter of disappointment to our legislatures stating Mondays are generally a meeting date and that we also weren't notified of the November 24<sup>th</sup> meeting in time to attend. Recommended moving Dec 15<sup>th</sup> meeting to another date so Commissioner can attend this very important meeting.

## **VI. ADJOURN:**

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adjourn at 9:35 A.M.

Commissioner Krier seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

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Donna Zimmerman  
Barton County Clerk

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Kenny Schremmer, Chairman