

Barton County Commission Agenda Meeting Minutes

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July 1, 2013

The Board of Barton County Commissioners convened this 1st day of July 2013, at the Barton County Courthouse.

Members present:

Don Cates, Commissioner, 4th District, Chairman
Kenny Schremmer, Commissioner, 1st District (Chairman Pro-Tem)
Homer Kruckenberg, Commissioner, 2nd Dist
Don Davis, Commissioner, 3rd District
Jennifer Schartz, Commissioner, 5th District Chairman
Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk
Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator

I. OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Schartz moved to approve the agenda with an additional item under Old Business-Update on Memorial Parks and Cemetery donations.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Minutes of the June 17, 2013, and the June 24, 2013, Regular Meetings were not available.

II. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS:

-An Accounts Payable Register will be submitted to the Commission for the period of June 17, 2013, and ending July 1, 2013.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve appropriations for the period of June 17, 2013 to July 1, 2013.

Authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Schartz seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

ADDED ITEM: MEMORIAL PARKS & CEMETERY: Fundraising:

Larry Buczinski reported they raised \$1,162 from the barbeque and said, as of today, their total stands at \$3,314. Buczinski said the next event is a patriotic music event scheduled for August 24th at the Crest Theatre. Melanie Ryan will headline and donations will be accepted for admittance.

Commissioner Davis said they might let the Chambers know, so they can help increase turn out.

Commissioner Schremmer said once you reach \$5,000, his donor will match it and when you reach the next \$5,000, his donor will match that, too.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. FAMILY CRISIS CENTER: HUD Emergency Solutions Grant:

-The Family Crisis Center (FCC) is partnering with the County on a grant application for the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). If approved, grant funding, which would pass through Barton County, would be used for both FCC personnel and shelter costs, to include repair and operation. At this time, Laura Patzner, FCC Executive Director, will ask that the County Commission authorize submission of the grant with Barton County acting as lead applicant.

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Laura Patzner, FCC Executive Director, asked Barton County to be the lead applicant in the application and to be the conduit for the funding. Patzner said they are applying for funds from the HUD Solutions Grant (ESG) which would pay for a full time shelter advocate, utilities, food and some repairs at the shelter. Part of the requirement is for funds to funnel through a governmental entity, so she asked Barton County to be lead applicant in the application. The amount of the grant request is \$65,238 and provides a 2.5% overhead included for administration of the grant.

Commissioner Cates asked if they planned to add a life-skills advocate. Patzner said they had planned to, but they were asked not to, so it will be a Case Management Advocate.

Commissioner Cates asked if this would be a one- time grant. Patzner said this grant can continue to be applied for.

Commissioner Schartz moved to authorize the submission of the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) by the Family Crisis Center. If approved, direct the County Counselor/Administrator to work with the FCC in acting as lead application and being a conduit for pass through funding.

Commissioner David seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

B. SOLID WASTE: Proposed Increase in Disposal (Tipping) Fees:

-Due to recent financial assurance requirements of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Closure/Post-Closure Cost Estimates regulation and increasing expenses associated with operation of the Landfill, increases in disposal (tipping) fees for the Barton County Landfill are recommended. The Landfill is supported entirely by these disposal fees.

Mark Witt, Solid Waste Manager, said at the June 18, 2013 budget discussion, revenue and expense data showed the Solid Waste Fund was being depleted due to increased expenses associated with operation of the Landfill. Also due to recent regulation changes by the Kansas Department of Health & Environment Bureau of Waste Management to the post-closure cost estimates, we are looking at a possible increase in the financial assurance requirements. Because of this, we need to look at increasing disposal fees to \$38 per ton for municipal solid waste and \$32 per ton for construction & demolition waste. Witt said this would be a projected revenue increase of \$144,862 annually based on 2012 tonnage figures.

Commissioner Schartz asked if this had been discussed with the waste haulers. Witt said yes. Schartz asked what this may mean to her monthly bill. Witt said it is estimated that monthly trash service could increase two to three dollars per month.

Commissioner Cates asked when was the last rate increase. Witt said the rate increased January 1, 2006 to \$34 per ton for municipal solid waste and \$25 per ton for construction & demolition waste.

Commissioner Kruckenberg asked about a half increase at \$2 per ton. Witt said according to his calculations, an increase to municipal solid waste at \$36 per ton and an increase in construction & demolition waste to \$30 per ton would only provide additional revenue in the amount of \$80,000. Witt advised we need the \$144,000 per year increase to meet our depletion and noted we will use those monies for the financial assurance test to meet the requirements of the post-closure cost estimate. Witt said it is now estimated we have a one million dollar increase in our closure/post-closure costs. The remaining life of our Landfill is estimated to be 27 years.

Richard Boeckman, County counselor/Administrator, asked what was the consequence of not meeting our Financial Assurance. Witt said we might not be permitted and would consequently be shut down.

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Commissioner Kruckenberg said, like King James said, for all things medium, and Kruckenberg was for going half and if I don't get it I'll go no.

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a Municipal Solid Waste Disposal Rate of \$38.00 per ton and a Construction and Demolition Disposal Rate of \$32.00 per ton for the Barton County Landfill effective January 1, 2014. Direct the Solid Waste Manager to notify customers of the disposal rate change and effective date.

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Cates, Commissioner Schremmer, and Commissioner Schartz voted aye.

Commissioner Kruckenberg voted nay.

Motion passed 4-1.

C. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: Replacement of Carpeting, 1806 – 12th, Great Bend, Kansas:

-The County recently accepted bids for the replacement of carpeting at the Barton County Office Building, 1806 – 12th, Great Bend, Kansas. This project was identified in the 2013 Capital Improvement Plan.

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said four local vendors attended the pre-bid conference with three vendors bidding the project as follows:

CARPETING, 1806 – 12 th , Great Bend Bids accepted until 2 pm, April 24, 2013							
VENDOR	EXTENSION	REMAINDER OF BUILDING	COVER BASE	MOVE FURNITURE	REMOVE CARPET	PREP WORK	TOTAL PRICE*
The Color Clinic	426 sq yards, \$9,573	1,030 sq yards, \$23,103	\$9,052	\$2,625	*included in bid		\$41,728
Kustom Floor Design	434 sq yards, \$8,485	1,143 sq yards, \$22,365	Ext - \$1,600, Remainder - \$5,000	Ext - \$1,100, Remainder - \$3,100	*included in bid		\$37,450
Millers of Claflin	410 sq yards, \$6,560 – carpet, glue, install	1,093 sq yards, \$17,488 – carpet glue, install	\$5,600	\$1,800	\$3,056	\$35 per hour per man	\$32,704

**Total price includes Extension, Remainder of Building, Cover Base & Carpet Removal (Millers only).
Moving Furniture is NOT included.*

Commissioner Kruckenberg suggested a not to exceed price on the prep work. Boeckman said the low bid, from Millers of Claflin at \$32,704, included a not to exceed price of \$1,500 and explained they will install commercial grade carpet.

Commissioner Schartz moved to authorize the purchase of carpeting for the Barton County Office Building, 1806 – 12th, Great Bend, Kansas, for \$32,704.00 for the carpet, and not to exceed the price of \$1,500.00 for the preparation work from Millers of Claflin. The cost to be paid from the Capital Improvement, General Designated Funds, 071-00-6305

Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

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D. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT: Installation of Ceiling Fans, Courthouse Conference Room:

-Wanda Ybarra, Facilities Manager, accepted a quote for the installation of ceiling fans in the Courthouse Conference Room. Silverado proposed installing two fans for a total of \$1,029.65. If approved, it is suggested that payment be made through the Capital Improvement Fund.

(ITEM TABLED)

Richard Boeckman, County Counselor/Administrator, said the Commissioners asked last week what brand of fans were quoted. Wanda Ybarra, Facilities Manager, said Silverado Electric quoted Cordel fans by Emerson. Hunter ceiling fans are currently used in the Courthouse. Boeckman will check with Steve Dyer, of Silverado, to see if he can get Hunter fans.

Commissioner Schartz moved to table.
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

V. ENDING BUSINESS:

1. Announcements
2. Appointments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Commissioner Schartz: Several people have asked about banning fireworks. There is no ban. The County will post that on our website and on Facebook.

VII. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn at 9:38 A.M.
Commissioner Schremmer seconded the motion.
All voted aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

Donna Zimmerman
Barton County Clerk

Don Cates, Chairman