

December 16, 2024

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Warrants were approved and signed.

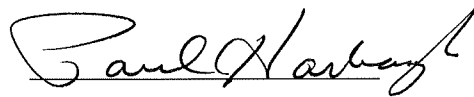
Commissioner Roe motioned to approve the minutes for December 9, 2024, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Mills motioned to approve the County Counselor agreement for January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Regular session adjourned at 11:20 am.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Paul Harbaugh, Chairman

December 30, 2024

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Counselor Brass reviewed Pixley II agreement.

Layton Kenworthy, IT Director came in to sign SLFRF memo for the ARPA funds on cyber security.

Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser came in to discuss add and abates.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director, John Riggins and Reagen Snow with Kirkham Michael came in for bid letting on Dugan Road.

Bids for project:

Malm Construction - \$196,583

Bob Bergkamp - \$211,361.09

Andale Construction - \$288,839.78

BH Inc - \$517,592.00

Commissioner Roe motioned to award Malm Construction the bid for the Dugan Road to start the contract process, Commissioner Harbaugh second. Motion passed.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in to talk about handbook changes.

Commissioner Mills motioned to approve the handbook changes for personal leave, vacation, timekeeping procedures, payroll and leave policies, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

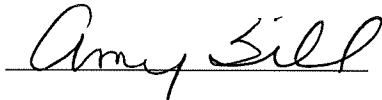
Commissioner Roe moved seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the 2025 Holidays of January 1-New Year's Day, January 20-Martin Luther King, Jr Day, February 17-Presidents Day, April 18-Good Friday, May 26-Memorial Day, July 4-Independence Day, September 1-Labor Day, November 11-Veterans Day, November 27-Thanksgiving Day, November 28-Thanksgiving, December 24-Christmas Eve, December 25-Christmas Day. Gyp Hill Premiere will be legal paper for 2025, meals will stay at \$40 per day with no per diem, mileage will be 65.5 and Jury pay will be \$20. Commissioners can change when they choose. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned to approve the minutes for December 16, 2024, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed.

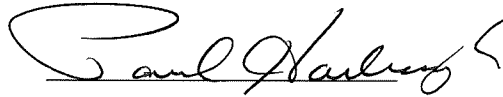
Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in to discuss hiring people for EMS.

Commissioner Roe motioned to approve to apply for credit cards at Citizens Bank for all of the County Departments. Commissioner Mills seconded this decision and motion passed.

Regular session adjourned at 12:50 pm.



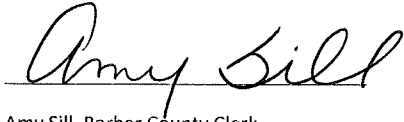
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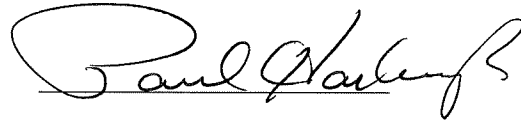
Paul Harbaugh, Chairman

January 6th, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting to discuss closing the courthouse for mourning of passed President, Jimmy Carter. Commissioner Harbaugh and Clerk Sill were present in the office. Commissioner Roe and Commissioner Mills attended by phone. After discussion the commissioners were all in consensus and decided not to close the courthouse on January 9th, 2025 for the mourning of past President, Jimmy Carter.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Paul Harbaugh, Chairman

January 13, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Commissioner Roe moved seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes for December 30, 2024. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe moved seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the special meeting minutes from January 6, 2025 by phone conference call. Motioned carried.

Judge Lattin swore in the newly elected officials which included County Clerk, Amy Sill, County Commissioner District 2, Bryan Quick. County Commissioner District 3, Adam Mills, Register of Deeds, Betty Jo Swayden, and Barber County Sheriff, Richard Garza.

Commissioner Roe moved, seconded by Commissioner Quick to appoint Commissioner Mills as the Chairman of the Board for the rest of the 2025 year. Everyone thanked Paul Harbaugh for his 22 years as County Commissioner District 2.

Warrants were approved and signed.

Commissioner Quick moved, seconded by Commissioner Roe to pass Resolution 2025-01 (GAAP). Motion carried.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in.

Mike Roe signed the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents for construction of Dugan road construction project no. 2403850 since Chairman Mills abstained.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Larry Conner, Public Works Director, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Clerk Sill starting at 10:23 am to 10:33 am to discuss non-elected personnel. Seconded by Commissioner Quick. Motioned passed.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Larry Conner, Public Works Director and Melissa Simpson, Director of Human Resources beginning at 10:38 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:53 am.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 20 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Clerk Sill beginning at 10:58 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:18 am.

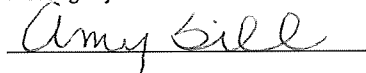
Dawn Jones, Public Health Director came in to have 2026 grants signed.

Layton Kenworthy, IT Director and Russell Hansen, Custodian came in to discuss battery backups.

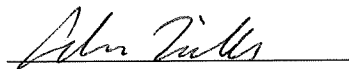
Kristine Landwehr, Communication Director, Dawn Jones, Public Health Director, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Russell Hansen, Custodian came in to discuss the ice/snow removal.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve Dr. Sid Stranathan as the local health officer, seconded by Commissioner Roe. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

January 21, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Mills, Commissioner Quick, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Roe was absent.

Mandy Peters came in to discuss KCAMP Risk Management with the team for 2025.

KEMA President, Jillian Rodrigue presented Nichole Perez with award.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, and Melissa Simpson, Director of Human Resources beginning at 10:17 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:32 am.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Rhonda Fernandez with Professional Insurance Consultants, Inc. (PIC) came in to discuss keeping the County in compliance.

Commissioner Mills motioned to have Hinkle Law firm do the compliance changes that Rhonda had discussed. Seconded by Commissioner Quick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from January 13, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Melissa Simpson, HR Director and Clerk Sill beginning at 11:15 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:30 am.


Commissioner Quick motioned to accept the Barber County, Kansas open records act (KORA) request form presented by Counselor Brass, seconded by Commissioner Mills. Motioned carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 15 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Sheriff Garza beginning at 11:35 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:50 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

January 30, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

Warrants were approved and signed.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in to discuss getting full-time employees.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director discussed trailers. Old trailers will be traded in for \$18,000 with new trailers cost for \$38,000 the difference is \$20,000 for each trailer.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve trading and ordering trailers. Motioned passed.

At 10:30 am the bid letting on scrub seal on Hackberry Road, southwest of Prairie Dog Road, east to US-281 Junction in Hardtner for a total of approximately 24.6 miles was opened by Jacob Crowell with Kirkham Michael. John Riggins with Kirkham Michael was also present.

Heft & Sons, LLC \$710,057 would start about September 1, 2025

Circle C Paving and Construction LLC, \$643,381 would start about May 1, 2025

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve Circle C Paving and Construction LLC to do the scrub seal. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve the contract with Kirkham Michael to provide monthly County engineering services by Jacob Crowell, P.E. for Barber County in the amount of \$1,117.40 a month. Motion carried.

Mark Dugan contacted Counselor Brass yesterday to advise he reached a private agreement with the landowners and did not need to proceed with his requested road. The Commission, Counselor Brass, and Public Works Director Larry Conner reviewed the contracts with Malm Construction and determined to send a Notice to Suspend Work to Malm. Counselor Brass will send the Notice and Larry Conner will contact Malm Construction to advise."

Brenda Dietzman, Wayfinder Consulting, LLC for WSU came in to discuss jail assessment.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and ask for executive session.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 20 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Daniel Lynch, County Attorney, Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Scott McCann, Undersheriff and Sheriff Garza by phone beginning at 12:15 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:35 pm.

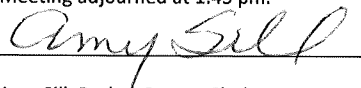
Commissioner Quick motioned to continue for a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Daniel Lynch, County Attorney, Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Scott McCann, Undersheriff and Sheriff Garza by phone beginning at 12:35 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 12:45 pm.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from January 21, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

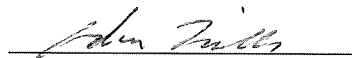
Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser came in to discuss Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP).

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe for a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Brass beginning at 1:31 pm to discuss Attorney client privilege. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 1:36 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

February 10, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with all Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick for a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Brass beginning at 9:37 am to discuss Attorney client privilege. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 9:42 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve minutes from January 30, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve AP. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve resolution 2025-02 about Kirkham Michael to provide monthly county engineering services in Barber County. Motion carried.

Mike Bauerline owner of Kiowa Motel called in to talk to Commissioners and Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser about his taxes. Counselor Brass explained that the Commissioners do not do the taxes. That's something the Appraiser and State do.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to accept the Barber County Snow Removal Plan. Motion carried.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director and Jacob Crowell, Engineer discussed bridges.

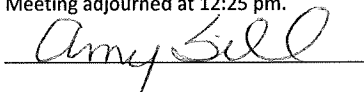
Rick Wesley, Fire Chief, Robin Eubanks-Callis, Extension Agent, Matt Rhodes, Extension Agent, Robert Armbruster, Vice-President of Extension Board and Micha Wagoner, Treasurer of Extension Board, Melissa Simpson, HR Director, Layton Kenworthy, IT Director and Sherry Colborn, County Clerk Deputy came into discuss the changing of offices.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and ask for executive session.


Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:35 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Quick seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:45 am.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 11:50 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at noon.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

February 11, 2025

Special Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at 4:30 pm with Commissioner Mills, Commissioner Quick, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Roe phoned in.

Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser came in and ask for executive session.

Commissioner Quick motioned to have a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass, Clerk Sill, Dacya Doman, Interim Appraiser and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 4:32 pm to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 4:42 pm.

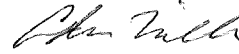
Commissioner Quick motioned to accept the contract from Dacya Doman as Appraiser from February 11, 2025 to June 30, 2025. Commissioner Roe seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Quick motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe for a 10 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners and Counselor Brass beginning at 4:53 pm to discuss Attorney client privilege. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 5:03 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman

February 24, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting with Commissioner Roe, Commissioner Mills, Counselor Brass and Clerk Sill present. Commissioner Quick was absent.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from February 11, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve minutes from February 10, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mills motioned seconded by Commissioner Roe to approve payroll and AP. Motion carried.

Melissa Simpson, HR Director came in and discussed another option for office changes.

Commissioner Roe and Commissioner Mills ask for Commissioner Quick to be called. Commissioner Quick called in. Discussion was that the Chairperson could make the decision to close courthouse if needed. All employees will be paid like Holiday pay when this happens.

Commissioner Roe motioned to have a 5 minutes Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Brass and Melissa Simpson, HR Director beginning at 10:04 am to discuss non-elected personnel, Commissioner Mills seconded. Motion passed. Executive session ended at 10:09 am.

Mike Loreg, EMS Director came in.

Kristine Landwehr, 911 Dispatch Director came in to ask for emergency management office. This was tabled until Commissioners could go look at it.

Hannah Brass and Rick Wesley brought a contract for fire with Hazelton City. Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the contract for fire with Hazelton City. Motion carried. Rick signed contract and Hannah will get City of Hazelton to sign.

Larry Conner, Public Works Director came in to have the scrub seal contract signed. Also, talked about compactor and fence going up at Landfill.

Denise Donaldson, Hardtner Mayor with Chuck Black, Stacy Black, Oakley Grant and David Gordon Hardtner City Council came in to ask for \$30,000 for the consulting fees for the gas problem in Hardtner.

The Commissioners ask Loretta McGuire, Director of Barber County Economic Development to look into a loan for City of Hardtner.


Catherine Rohrer with South Central Community Corrections came in.

Commissioner Roe motioned seconded by Commissioner Mills to approve the 2026 Comprehensive Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.



Amy Sill, Barber County Clerk



Adam Mills, Chairman