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Action from the Monday, July 26, 2021, Barton County Commission meeting –

OLD BUSINESS - RESOLUTION 2021-15: A Resolution Establishing a Regular Meeting Schedule for the County Commission and Rescinding Resolution 2017-12, Same, Adopted July 24, 2017: -KSA 19-206 authorizes the Commission to meet in regular session on such days and at such times each month as may be determined. A discussion to determine if the Commission wishes to meet weekly on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in regular session, rather than Mondays, resulted in this item being tabled on July 19, 2021. After continuing discussions, we opted to let this matter die at the moment. We will continue to look for ways to improve community involvement through the meeting process.

NEW BUSINESS - CENTRAL KANSAS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Behavioral Health Revised Budget for Fiscal Year 2022: -The Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) provided an opportunity for agencies to apply for Behavioral Health funding to support services to lower revocation rates as a supplement to the regular grant. Although Central Kansas Community Corrections submitted a request of \$55,350.00, KDOC allocated only \$15,350.00. Excluded was the proposed peer mentoring program, as KDOC denied any new positions in FY22. We adopted the revised budget as it reflects changes in programming for behavioral health planning and vouchers for indigent offenders.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL: 2021 Highway Striping Project: -Barton County accepted proposals for the 2021 Highway Striping Project until July 13, 2021. Works includes centerline and edge line striping on approximately 101 miles of County roadway. Straight-Line Striping, Inc. submitted documents that provided for an estimated quantity of both white and yellow paint as well as the glass beads needed to stripe. The actual quantities of each material used by the contractor will be paid for at the unit prices submitted. We approved the Straight-Line Striping bid at \$107,972.53.

Karen Winkelman, Health Director, provided an update on COVID. My continued support and appreciation for the Health Department personnel on their efforts.

I am a strong believer in efficient local government. I'm always available to the public and look forward to hearing your ideas. When we all work together, we will make **Barton County Great Again**. Please contact me at 620.562.7637.