

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 with Cindy Schwehr, Bill Carlblom, Mike Metcalf, John Froelich, and Rodger Berntson present. Chairman Metcalf called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Agenda was reviewed.

**State's Attorney – Truck Regulatory Equipment / Funds**

Carl Martineck, State's Attorney, presented a plan for disbursement of the Truck Regulatory equipment and funds. John Froelich moved to put a recommended minimum price for the vehicle at \$5,000 and to approve Mr. Martineck's plan; Rodger Berntson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

**Tax Equalization - Staffing**

Betty Koslofsky, Tax Director, discussed staffing with the Commission. John Froelich moved to advertise for Tax Director as soon as possible, with the understanding that Betty Koslofsky is in charge until her retirement, while the replacement is being trained in; Bill Carlblom seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". The Commission directed Ms. Koslofsky to develop a job description for a part-time Planning & Zoning/Flood Administrator/Building Inspector.

**Tax Equalization – 2016 Ag & Residential Valuations**

Betty Koslofsky, Tax Director, presented the recommendation from the Barnes County Soils Committee to lower the 2016 State Certified Agricultural Land Valuations by 8.5% and allowing the township assessors to have a 1½% tolerance to work with. Cindy Schwehr moved to accept their recommendation; John Froelich seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Ms. Koslofsky requested that the Commission allow her to set the residential valuations as close as possible to 8 ½% below market value. Cindy Schwehr moved to allow this; John Froelich seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Changes in the law regarding taxation of State School Lands were discussed. These parcels were previously exempt, and the leaseholder is responsible for the taxes now. Cindy Schwehr moved to approve the bill from Kadmas, Lee & Jackson for parcel clean-up in the amount of \$2,116.98; John Froelich seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

**Social Services –Technology Request**

Rick Bolonchuk, Social Services Director, and Jason Thiel, MIS Director, requested a laptop at a cost of \$1,320, to be paid out of Social Services Technology line item. Cindy Schwehr moved to approve the request; Bill Carlblom seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

**Auditor – Minutes/Miscellaneous**

Cindy Schwehr moved to table the December 29, 2015 minutes until the next meeting; John Froelich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Highway Department - Flooring**

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, and Jamie Smith, Administrative Assistant, presented a proposal for replacing flooring in the building, as well as moving the counter in the Highway Department office area. The total cost of the entire project is \$20,383.91. Bill Carlblom moved to approve the request; Cindy Schwehr seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

Sheriff Randy McClafin and Kerry Johnson discussed local options for Truck Regulatory services.

**Emergency Management – Public Information Officer**

Sue Lloyd, Emergency Manager, asked the Commission to appoint a Public Information Officer. John Froelich moved to assign Sue Lloyd as Public Information Officer; Cindy Schwehr seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Beth Didier will serve as a back-up. .

**Hobart Lake**

John Froelich moved to sign a letter to the ND Department of Emergency Services indicating Barnes County's continued intent to follow through with the Hobart Lake project; Cindy Schwehr seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

**Commission Discussion**

Upcoming meetings were discussed.

**Bills Approved for December 2015**

General Fund: Ace Hardware \$108.66, Aflac \$907.26, Aflac Group Insurance \$48.45, Ameritas Life Insurance Corp \$1,418.60, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$2,050.17, Barnes Co Records Office \$52.00, Bek Communications Cooperative \$75.28, Bernston, Rodger \$58.65, Cable Services \$56.80, Cardmember Service \$129.69, Carlblom, William \$192.08, Casey's General Store Inc \$26.00, Centurylink Az \$145.57, Centurylink Wa \$854.29, Clay County Sheriff \$42.17, Cole Papers Inc. \$490.45, Colonial Life Insurance \$464.55, Columbus Bank And Trust \$654.36, Comfort Inn - Bismarck \$160.00, Companion Life \$232.46, Dacotah Bank \$572.92, Dacotah Insurance \$50.00, Dacotah Paper Co. \$1,261.60, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$10.69, Didier, Beth M \$189.00, Fidelity Security Life Ins Co \$107.53, Froelich, John J \$252.45, G&K Services \$299.80, Handy Hardware & Rental \$14.28, Hi-Line Investments \$320.00, Information Technology Department \$193.90, Johnson Controls \$539.88, Johnson, Ellen \$26.87, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, Kohn Electric \$1,222.31, Marco Inc - Dallas \$737.68, Mark T Blumer Law Office \$2,574.60, Martineck, Carl \$616.95, Matthew Bender & Co., Inc. \$173.56, Mercy Hospital - Valley City \$128.00, Metcalf, James \$200.13, Mid-States Wireless, Inc. \$50.00, Miller Motors Inc \$77.86, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$260.89, National Sheriffs Association \$109.00, Nationwide Retirement Solutions \$719.74, Nd Association Of Counties \$1,538.75, Nd-Pers \$15,145.89, Ndaco Resources Group \$3,000.00, Ndpers \$26,547.80, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$1,435.00, Olmsted County Sheriff's Office \$85.00, Petro Serve Usa \$26.11, Primerica Shareholder Services \$100.00, Public Safety Center Inc Ca \$36.55, Record Keepers, Llc \$32.00, Reserve Account \$3,000.00, Rj's Plumbing & Heating \$1,760.31, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine B \$172.00, Schwehr, Cindy L \$185.75, Secretary Of State \$36.00, Servicemaster Of Valley City \$1,570.00, Shopko Stores Operating Co Llc \$27.76, State Board Of Law Examiners \$325.00, State Industrial Products \$219.89, Stein's, Inc. \$141.91, Stoudt-Ross Ford, Inc. \$41.77, Streicher's \$49.97, Taser International \$435.55, Us Bank \$147.76, Valley Auto Parts \$12.59, Valley City Public Works \$1,003.94, Valley City Times-Record \$900.84, Valley Officeworks \$1,064.43, Verizon Wireless \$899.33, Wagon Wheel Inn Ltd \$2,880.00, Wells Fargo Bank \$468.44; City County Health: Aed Everywhere \$1,906.60, Aflac \$831.62, Aflac Group Insurance \$117.05, Ameritas Life Insurance Corp \$333.20, Anderson, Julia \$69.00, Bakkegard & Schell \$494.95, Bear, Kristen \$106.00, Bjorum, Barbara \$1,579.50, Bresnahan, Michael \$18.40, Centurylink Az \$26.11, City County Health District \$477.50, Columbus Bank And Trust \$383.33, Custer Health \$1,071.00, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$76.95, Dakota Rose Floral \$53.00, Days Inn & Suites - Fargo \$74.70, Dex Media East Llc \$15.50, Edward Jones - (Kevin) \$100.00, Fidelity Security Life Ins Co \$64.78, First Community Credit Union -Vc \$5,979.49, Handy Hardware & Rental \$53.98, Hansen, Sarah \$7.48, Ingstad Family Media \$2,870.00, Jorissen, Susan \$865.00, Koepplin, Bobby \$202.35, Kreisers Inc. \$140.57, Langland, Tamara \$106.95, Leever's Foods \$54.69, Martin, Angie \$6.35, Mercy Hospital - Valley City \$85.58, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$692.55, Moore Medical, Llc \$393.64, Nd Association Of Counties \$20.00, Nd-Pers \$7,179.75, Ndpers \$9,075.96, Ndpers-Deferred Comp 992 \$2,610.00, Olson, Elizabeth \$90.00, Radisson Hotel-Bismarck \$240.30, Rosenau, Vicki \$1,429.50, Ryan, Eileen \$85.68, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine B \$129.00, Sanofi Pasteur, Inc. \$10,850.84, Sansio \$600.00, Scantron Corporation \$78.80, Servicemaster Of Valley City \$1,075.00, Shopko Stores Operating Co Llc \$38.95, Thompson, Laurel \$148.65, Thomsen, Paula \$55.72, Valley City Public Works \$945.60, Valley City Times-Record \$185.00, Valley Extinguisher \$118.00, Valley Officeworks \$424.09, Will, Theresa \$944.44, Young People's Healthy Heart Program \$3,868.20; Veterans Service Office: Barnes Co Highway Dept \$181.19, Centurylink Az \$.42, Miller Motors Inc \$106.81, Nd-Pers \$49.05, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$100.00, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine B \$51.00, Valley City Times-Record \$25.70, Valley Officeworks \$121.68, Verizon Wireless \$62.88; Social Services: Aflac \$1,282.15, Aflac Group Insurance \$86.15, Ameritas Life Insurance Corp \$702.80, Bitz Tire & Service, Inc. \$397.52, Bolonchuk, Richard \$424.48, Brothers Iii \$364.48, Cardmember Service \$348.28, Cass County Extension \$110.00, Centurylink Az \$103.78, Colonial Life Insurance \$94.49, Columbus Bank And Trust \$1,372.67, Comfort Inn - Bismarck \$80.00, Companion Life \$222.46, Days Inn - Bismarck \$139.90, Family Support Payment Center \$625.00, Fidelity Security Life Ins Co \$35.44, Lindemann, Dana \$253.08, Litchville Bulletin \$30.00, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$510.30, Nd Association Of Counties \$220.00, Nd Dept Of Human Services \$17,142.55, Nd-Pers \$11,472.80, Ndpers \$19,523.60, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$1,044.00, North Dakota United \$82.69, Ramkota Hotel - Bismarck \$80.10, Record Keepers, Llc \$41.50, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine B \$43.00, Shopko Stores Operating Co Llc \$50.96, Valley Auto Body \$1,835.00, Valley City Public Works \$300.00, Valley Officeworks \$311.37, Verizon Wireless \$568.81, Wendel Auto Body \$55.00; County Road And Bridge: A P Equipment Inc \$4.52, Ace Hardware \$269.20, Acme Tools \$297.88, Aflac \$832.06, Aflac Group Insurance \$132.70, Ameritas Life Insurance Corp \$362.40, Asc Construction Equipment Usa Inc \$612.29, Barnes Co Treasurer \$63.49, Bayshore City Side \$20.99, Bitz Tire & Service, Inc. \$54.98, Butler Machinery Co. \$76.32, Centurylink Az \$21.22, Centurylink Wa \$45.67, Clement Communications \$331.76, Colonial Life Insurance \$140.14, Columbus Bank And Trust \$630.00, Dakota Industrial Supply \$171.00, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$2,131.98, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop. \$80.34, Equipment Blades Inc. \$4,232.60, Fei Inc \$36.38, Fidelity Security Life Ins Co \$14.25, Inter-Community Telephone \$75.03, Jemco, Inc. \$51.85, Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc.-Bismarck \$52,637.96, Kari's Cleaning \$263.90, Kathleen A. Laughlin \$227.00, Knife River Materials \$152,594.21, Laker Chemical, Inc \$628.50, Leever's Foods \$40.58, Locators & Supplies, Inc \$514.26, Mercy Hospital - Valley City \$100.00, Moritz, Dennis \$99.53, Nd Association Of Counties \$475.00, Nd Ltap \$100.00, Nd-Pers \$9,377.56, Ndpers \$16,834.86, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$1,714.00, Nelson International, Inc. \$152.98, Newman Traffic Signs - Jmst \$89.13, O'reilly Auto Parts \$86.42, Ottertail Power Company - Jamestown \$79.19, Puklich Chevrolet Buick Gmc \$24.33, Quality Alignment & Brake Center \$689.16, Risser, Shirley \$1,000.00, S&S Auto Electric \$18.20, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine B \$185.00, Shopko Stores Operating Co Llc \$24.97, Stoudt-Ross Ford, Inc. \$7.99, Swanberg Construction, Inc \$500.00, The Window Man \$190.00, Valley Auto Parts \$970.43, Valley City Public Works \$717.80, Valley City Times-Record \$397.80, Valley Extinguisher \$53.55, Valley Lumber Company \$46.99, Valley Plains Equipment \$719.36, Verizon Wireless \$157.63, Vining Oil Company \$3,989.64, Wells Fargo Financial Leasing \$182.75, Winter Equipment Company, Inc \$1,288.36; County Park: Aflac \$60.19, Anderson, Bev J \$72.20, Busch Plumbing & Excavating Llc \$725.00, City Of Fargo \$14.00, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop. \$33.69, Leever's Foods \$5.47, Nd-Pers \$219.87,

Sanford Health Occupation Medicine B \$43.00; Weed Control: Aflac \$54.00, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$24.13, Dakota Cat, Inc. \$7,000.00, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$205.50, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, Mcallister, James \$138.65, Miller Motors Inc \$267.57, Nd Weed Control Association \$650.00, Nd-Pers \$571.73, Ndpers \$1,404.84, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$150.00, Valley Extinguisher \$76.14; Oasis & Social Security: Aflac \$65.00, Altel - Alternative Telecom Inc \$5,827.75, Ameritas Life Insurance Corp \$160.90, Anderson, Brock \$16.45, Centurylink Az \$4.47, Columbus Bank And Trust \$300.00, Computer Professionals Unlimited \$1,882.31, Electro Watchman, Inc. \$490.20, Fidelity Security Life Ins Co \$21.19, Information Technology Department \$2,092.40, Marco Inc - St Louis \$145.20, Nd-Pers \$1,418.55, Ndpers \$1,986.32, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$275.00, Thiel, Jason \$144.04, Tyler Technologies Inc \$4,114.50, Valley Officeworks \$22.95, Vault1440 Llc \$2,800.00; County Agent: Allard Trophy Co \$18.00, Centurylink Az \$4.78, Grueneich, Randy \$144.84, Leever's Foods \$79.43, McClafflin, Luetta \$5.38, Milender, Sue \$194.00, Nd Association Of Counties \$390.00, Nd-Pers \$468.44, Ndeafcs \$115.00, Ndpers \$581.48, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$70.00, Ndsu Dept 3110 \$236.41, Tichy, Amy J \$40.73, Young People's Healthy Heart Program \$125.00; Farm To Market 15 Mill: Dick's Construction \$9,755.20, Guthmiller Earthmoving, Inc \$13,566.00, Newman Traffic Signs - Jmst \$254.30, Ottetail Power Company - Jamestown \$37.34, Valley Lumber Company \$27.00, Western Sand & Gravel \$38,466.80, 3d Specialties, Inc. \$252.83; Cnty Correctional Center: A.R. Audit Services, Inc. \$400.00, Aflac \$172.11, Ameritas Life Insurance Corp \$160.90, Anderson, Julia \$71.59, Cable Services \$114.45, Cass Clay Creamery, Inc. \$487.90, Centurylink Az \$19.95, City County Health District \$5,368.96, Colonial Life Insurance \$163.52, Columbus Bank And Trust \$30.00, Companion Life \$106.59, Fidelity Security Life Ins Co \$30.55, Food Services Of America/Fargo \$5,937.19, Great Plains Plumbing \$844.69, Handy Hardware & Rental \$56.92, High Plains Water Treatment, Inc. \$131.00, Intoximeters \$572.25, James-Valley Reg. Lodge #4 \$47.84, Law Office Of Daniel H Oster \$174.46, Leever's Foods \$646.83, Liberty Business Systems, Inc \$85.87, Midwest Pest Control \$72.50, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$86.96, Nd Association Of Counties \$143.75, Nd-Pers \$3,840.32, Ndpers \$6,540.44, Nucara Pharmacy \$522.24, Pharmchem Inc \$50.00, Public Safety Center Inc Ca \$244.58, Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Inc. \$150.06, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine B \$43.00, Shopko Stores Operating Co Llc \$82.83, State Disbursement Unit - North Dakot \$766.11, Thrifty White Stores \$601.63, Us Bank \$147.76, Valley City Public Works \$414.77, Valley Officeworks \$111.37, Verizon Wireless \$56.76; Insurance Reserve Fund: State Fire And Tornado Fund \$2.66; Community Service: Information Technology Department \$10.00, Nd-Pers \$283.84, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$25.00; Grants And Projects: Bitz, Stacy \$30.00, Centurylink Az \$9.11, Fritch, Kathleen \$40.00, Grossman, Megan \$110.00, Hesse, Sara \$30.00, Hugo's \$153.86, Inczauskis, Haley \$125.00, Keller, Lori L \$111.67, Lja \$2,009.90, Marsolek, James \$450.00, McLaurin, Laura \$37.50, Miller, Tamara \$300.00, Nelson, Chelsy \$318.00, Nygaard, Diane R \$2,222.09, Roland, Brooke \$525.00, Schrenk, Carolyn \$825.00, Thompson, Emma Elise \$100.00, Voeller, Chelsie \$125.00, Wahl, Wanda \$500.00; Corrections Commissary Fu: Leever's Foods \$585.01, Marketplace Food & Drug \$350.47, Pizza Corner \$267.50; Special Reserves: Everson, Kelly \$100.00; Soil Conservation: Barnes Co Soil Conserv. Dist. \$169.80; Stewart Drain: Klubben Excavating \$10,000.00; Garrison Conservancy Dist: Garrison Diversion Cons Dist \$169.99; Airport: Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$651.77; 911 Emergency Fund: Aflac \$259.09, Apco International Inc \$253.59, Centurylink Az \$5.78, Centurylink Wa \$360.00, Companion Life \$162.67, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop. \$251.00, Emergency Communications Network Llc \$5,000.00, Infogroup \$320.00, Information Technology Department \$350.00, Inter-Community Telephone \$150.00, Jamestown Communications, Inc. \$42.50, Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc.-Bismarck \$3,778.66, Lloyd, Susan \$162.15, Nd Association Of Counties \$1,551.15, Nd-Pers \$3,769.26, Ndpers \$4,893.72, Ndpers-Deferred Comp A02 \$100.00, Neuberger, Holly \$18.28, Rdj Specialties, Inc. \$541.68, United Accounts, Inc. - Fargo \$619.21; State Funds: Nd State Treasurer \$153.21; Winter Show: Nd Winter Show \$404.75; Older Persons: South Central Adult Services \$339.76; Ambulance: Barnes County Ambulance \$169.78; Water Resources: Griggs County Water Resource District \$1,550.34, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, Nd Water Users Association \$400.00, Nd-Pers \$234.22, Ndpers \$702.42, Ohnstad Twichell, P.C. \$2,134.56; Historical Society: Barnes Co Historical Society \$127.51; Library: Valley City Public Library \$309.70; Records Preservation Fu: Nd Association Of Counties \$275.00; Cities: Dazey \$352.20, Fingal \$1,389.43, Leal \$32.65, Oriska \$301.12, Rogers \$125.48, Sanborn \$1,366.60, Sibley \$591.04, Valley City \$5,484.30, Wimbeldon \$5.36; Townships: Anderson \$99.82, Ashtabula \$632.17, Baldwin \$71.52, Binghampton \$106.84, Brimer \$3.20, Eckelson \$68.79, Getchell \$184.59, Green \$303.15, Marsh \$121.03, Potter \$273.96, Raritan \$70.61, Rogers \$.87, Rosebud \$12.15, Sibley \$349.85, Stewart \$346.46, Thordenskjold \$156.85; Park Districts: Fingal \$53.88, Sanborn \$70.27, Valley City \$1,756.62; School Districts: Barnes County North \$6,486.17, Enderlin Area Sd 24 \$951.32, Litchville-Marion \$42.32, Maple Valley \$1,001.63, Valley City \$6,785.27; Rural Fire Districts: Dazey \$16.54, Edna \$4.25, Fingal \$36.01, Nome \$63.19, Sanborn \$368.56, Wimbeldon \$.32; Water Resource Specials: Cr Excavating \$21,350.00, Thordenskjold Drain \$497.66; Interest Fund: Barnes Co Treasurer \$2,022.55

With no further business, Bill Carlblom made a motion, seconded by John Froelich, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Mike Metcalf, Chairman  
Barnes County Commission

Beth M Didier  
Barnes County Auditor