

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 with Bill Carblom, Mike Schwehr, Vicky Lovell, Pete Paulson, and Shawn Olauson present. Chairman Bill Carblom called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., roll call was taken, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the agenda was reviewed.

Corrections

Anna Berntson presented boarding contracts for Steele County for commission signature.

Environmental Services

Shane Kalbrener discussed a 14' countertop for the deputy's room in the Sheriff's Office for workstations instead of three separate desks. There will be two other separate workstations. Vicky Lovell made a motion to put in the countertop; Pete Paulson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. Shane per would like to create a 10' X 15' evidence processing room in a free space in the basement using 2 X 4's and OSB. Vicky Lovell made a motion to approve building the evidence processing room; Mike Schwehr seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Highway Department

Jamie Smith announced that William Foster has been hired and will be starting on April 9th at the Kathryn shop. Jamie discussed bid awards and project updates. Consultant interviews for construction engineering for the grade raise on Barnes County #4 east of Wimbledon, the Bayshore hill slide, and the Kathryn hill slide located south of the City of Kathryn on #21 were held (Projects CXERP-0204(055) PCN 24080; CERP-0221(084) PCN 24081; and CERP-0221(085) PCN 24082). Two firms were interviewed, Bolton & Menk of Fargo, ND and KLJ. They each gave a 30-minute presentation followed by questions and answers. They each were presented with ten identical questions worth ten points each with a possible score of 100. KLJ outscored Bolton & Menk on all three projects. The selection committee recommends the commission select KLJ to perform the construction and engineering services for these three projects. Shawn Olauson made a motion to accept KLJ to perform construction engineering services for the grade raise on BC #4, the Bayshore hill slide, and the Kathryn Hill slide; Bill Carblom seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes upon roll call vote. Bids for three county projects were presented and discussed. The low bid for the reclamation project on Highway #17 (old #1) was Williams Excavation of Elbow Lake, MN (FXS-0002(056)) PCN 24339. The low bid for the paving project on highway #6 is Mayo Construction of Cavalier, ND (FXS-0206(057)). The low bid for the grade raise project by Meadow Lake was Knife River Materials of Bemidji, MN (TWP-002(054)). Bill Carblom made a motion to accept provided low bids for Williams Excavation, Mayo Construction, and Knife River Material for these three projects; Mike Schwehr seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting yes. The work done on the bike path was discussed. Gravel grades used on Barnes County roads were discussed.

Auditor's Office

Shawn Olauson moved to approve March 18, 2025, minutes as presented. Pete Paulson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting yes. A Barnes County North Raffle permit application was presented. Pete Paulson made a motion to approve the raffle permit application; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Commission Discussion

Pete Paulson gave an update on the VSO office with 2144 van miles, 37 rides, 233 calls, and 88 walk-ins. Tammy and Becky will be gone next week for training. The contract with LaMoure County is up. Tammy will work with LaMoure County on the contract. He attended the Township Officers Association meeting which reported on legislative updates. Development Corporation will meet next week. Josh Johnson plans to meet with them regarding the school facility plan. Shawn Olauson attended the Township Officers Association meeting. Mike Schwehr attended the City County Health District meeting. They have an agreement with the South Central for the upstairs remodel for offices. City County Health received a Public Health Team of the Year Award. Vicky Lovell attended the South Central Dakota Regional Council meeting. The federal money for the farm program is frozen and they won't be receiving funding. There is a new hire at the Highway Department for the Kathryn area. The library has paid a good share of their loan. Puklich also is giving a donation over a period of the next five years. The inmate meal contract with Summit was discussed. Shawn, Pete, and Vicky will help serve the Walking Taco's today for County Government Day. Scott Kohler was approved to start working if there were things that could be done at the park. Valley City School District under levy will be discussed at the next meeting.

Bills Approved for March 2025

General Fund: Advanced Business Methods Inc \$93.64, Aflac \$2,947.50, Aflac Group Insurance \$48.45, Amazon Capital Services \$493.54, Andrew S Marquart \$198.00, Appliance City \$59.99, Balco Uniform Co. Inc \$1,150.64, Barnes County Auditor \$871.85, Barnes Rural Water \$389.30, Bek Communications Cooperative \$1,101.11, Bitz Tire & Service, Inc. \$77.43, Bong's Bootery \$439.80, Brockopp, Seth & Brooklynn \$1,578.71, Carblom, William \$116.50, Cass County Electric \$383.15, Charm-Tex Inc \$2,502.70, City County Health District \$9,377.96, Cole Papers Inc. \$682.53, Colonial Life Insurance \$126.47, Counties Providing Technology \$2,817.00, Dacotah Bank

Flex Acct \$1,416.00, Dacotah Bank Sd \$23,556.26, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop. \$87.52, Erickson,Anthony \$25.00, Everson,Jordyn \$28.77, Everspring Suites \$99.00, Farm & Home Publishers \$825.00, Fat Man Trash Llc \$147.00, First International Insurance \$93,043.00, Galls Incorporated \$537.12, Handy Hardware & Rental \$529.84, Hettinger County Sheriff's Office \$150.00, High Plains Water Treatment, Inc. \$55.00, Information Technology Department \$6,013.29, James-Valley Reg. Lodge #4 \$129.51, Jenrich, Jessica \$199.40, Krile,Robin \$25.00, Litchville Bulletin \$514.02, Lovell, Victoria \$128.40, Marco \$30.65, Mcallister, Robert \$2,009.76, Mckesson Medical-Surgical Mn Suppl \$161.40, Mercy Hospital - Chicago \$1,097.00, Mercy Hospital - Valley City \$1,262.00, Mid-States Organized Crime Inform. \$100.00, Mid-States Wireless, Inc. \$689.67, Midwest Pest Control \$274.00, Miller, Sarah \$479.15, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$9,873.33, Nd Dept Of Human Services \$278.93, Nd Emergency Management Assn \$50.00, Nd League Of Cities \$180.00, Nd State's Attorney Assn \$600.00, Nellerroe, Joan \$1,374.40, Nolte, Diane & Mark \$800.55, Nucara Pharmacy \$573.04, O'reilly Auto Parts \$63.77, Pace Systems Inc \$1,600.00, Paulson, Pete \$153.20, Peltier, Lance \$118.82, Penguin Management Inc \$2,430.00, Petro Serve Usa \$5,069.16, Pharmchem Inc \$63.90, Postmaster \$73.00, Quadiant Leasing Usa Inc \$725.82, Radisson Hotel-Bismarck \$102.50, Ramada By Windham Bismarck \$297.00, Ray Nelson Construction \$677.30, Record Keepers, Llc \$87.50, Reliance Telephone Systems, Inc. \$400.00, Rj's Plumbing & Heating \$21.78, Sanford Health Sd \$3,412.00, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine \$502.00, Schwehr, Michael \$56.30, Scram Systems \$156.04, Secretary Of State \$72.00, Smith Lumber Company \$200.26, Stein's, Inc. \$322.62, Stoudt Miller Inc \$868.74, Streicher's \$189.94, Stutsman County Correctional Cente \$700.00, Summit Foods Service Llc \$21,610.20, Superior Vision Services Inc \$626.90, Thiel, Jason \$64.84, Valley Barber Service \$332.00, Valley City Public Works \$6,046.69, Valley City Times-Record \$1,028.88, Valley Officeworks \$920.86, Valley Paint & Glass \$916.00, Ventsch, Warren & Brenda \$1,460.05, Verizon Wireless \$407.44, Wolff, Jeremy \$234.00, Total For Fund \$224,810.79, **City County Health:** City County Health District \$167,735.78, Total For Fund \$167,735.78, **Veterans Service Office:** Aflac \$149.59, Bek Communications Cooperative \$35.63, Dacotah Bank Flex Acct \$42.00, First International Insurance \$1,739.00, Stoudt Miller Inc \$393.89, Superior Vision Services Inc \$17.10, Valley Officeworks \$58.96, Verizon Wireless \$112.94, Wagon Wheel Inn Ltd \$550.00, Wells Fargo Bank Nc \$317.07, Total For Fund \$3,416.18, **County Road And Bridge:** Advanced Business Methods Inc \$300.00, Aflac \$740.26, Aflac Group Insurance \$40.85, Barnes Co Weed Board \$10,000.00, Bayshore City Side \$11.94, Bitz Tire & Service, Inc. \$215.29, Butler Machinery Co. \$44,693.50, Chs Dakota Plains Ag \$26,190.73, Colonial Life Insurance \$59.04, Dacotah Bank Flex Acct \$636.00, Dacotah Bank Sd \$437.60, Enterprise Sales Co. \$220.80, First International Insurance \$49,244.00, General Equipment & Supplies \$4,000.00, Inland Truck Parts & Service \$519.92, Klij Engineering Llc \$18,615.94, Kotaco \$482.77, Linde Gas & Eq / Praxair \$1,103.01, Miller, Matt \$183.73, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$537.83, Nd Sewage Pump Lift Station Servc \$455.00, North Central International,Llc \$178.84, Northwest Tire Inc. \$1,320.00, Ottetail Power Company - Jamestow \$195.40, Petro Serve Usa \$27.35, Pump & Meter Service Inc \$1,544.60, R & H Maintenance & Lawn Care \$640.00, Rj's Plumbing & Heating \$249.00, Smith, Jamie L. \$64.99, Superior Vision Services Inc \$97.90, Team Laboratory Chemical Llc \$900.00, The Valley Glass Shop Llc \$150.00, The Window Man \$93.00, Valley Auto Parts \$2,335.60, Valley City Public Works \$4,376.01, Valley City Times-Record \$35.00, Valley Plains Equipment \$59.94, Verizon Wireless \$150.90, Visto's Trailer Sales \$10,295.00, Wd Larson Companies Ltd Inc \$755.05, Zep Sales & Service \$748.87, Total For Fund \$182,905.66, **Weed Control:** Aflac \$149.93, Agterra Technologies Inc \$4,506.00, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$99.79, Dacotah Bank Sd \$32.00, First International Insurance \$5,637.00, Handy Hardware & Rental \$39.92, Superior Vision Services Inc \$11.50, Valley City Times-Record \$92.16, Valley Officeworks \$17.76, Verizon Wireless \$200.05, Windish, Jamen \$50.00, Total For Fund \$10,836.11, **County Agent:** Aflac \$33.50, Amazon Capital Services \$36.00, Cole Papers Inc. \$332.41, First International Insurance \$716.00, Leevers Foods \$102.67, Milender, Sue \$871.99, Ndsu Dept 3110 \$148.00, Quill Corporation \$329.94, Superior Vision Services Inc \$11.50, Valley Officeworks \$100.64, Total For Fund \$2,682.65, **B.C. Emergency Hcpra:** Drake, Christina \$172.56, Total For Fund \$172.56, **B.C. Economic Dev Fund:** Vc-Bc Development Corporation \$45,000.00, Total For Fund \$45,000.00, **Bridge Sinking:** Starion Bond Services \$103,198.75, Total For Fund \$103,198.75, **Community Service:** Runge, Jennifer \$84.00, Verizon Wireless \$84.08, Total For Fund \$168.08, **Grants And Projects:** Leevers Foods \$27.92, Lyons, Cori \$50.00, Rohrer,Anna \$75.00, Swenson, Allison \$1,080.00, Zent, Julie \$227.59, Total For Fund \$1,060.51, **Township Tap Funding Projects:** Klij Engineering Llc \$9,074.56, Total For Fund \$9,074.56, **Soil Conservation:** Barnes Co Soil Conserv. Dist. \$63,362.81, Total For Fund \$63,362.81, **Garrison Conservancy Dist:** Garrison Diversion Cons Dist \$42,544.82, Total For Fund \$42,544.82, **Airport:** Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$99,838.17, Total For Fund \$99,838.17, **State Funds:** Nd State Treasurer \$41,995.66, Total For Fund \$41,995.66, **Older Persons:** South Central Adult Services \$166,776.74, Total For Fund \$166,776.74, **Ambulance:** Barnes County Ambulance \$125,788.39, Total For Fund \$125,788.39, **Water Resources:** First International Insurance \$41.00, Hieb, Jerry \$121.80, Houston Engineering, Inc. \$1,710.50, Industrial Builders Inc \$53,064.00, Ohnstad Twichell, P.C. \$1,291.00, Superior Vision Services Inc \$11.50, Valley City Times-Record \$59.04, Total For Fund \$56,298.84, **Historical Society:** Barnes Co Historical Society \$31,448.84, Total For Fund \$31,448.84, **Library:** Valley City Public Library \$86,343.75, Total For Fund \$86,343.75, **Recorders Preservation Fund:** Nelson, Jodie \$1,540.00, Pfaff, Jody \$1,540.00, Total For Fund \$3,080.00, **Cities:** Dazey \$8,220.46, Fingal \$21,114.53, Kathryn \$6,037.69, Leal \$3,591.23, Litchville \$29,968.80, Nome \$4,537.40, Oriska \$3,801.90, Pillsbury \$3,414.53, Rogers \$2,816.06, Sanborn \$16,283.59, Sibley \$9,812.59, Tower City \$971.80, Valley City \$1,154,307.09, Wimbledon \$27,775.51, Total For Fund \$1,292,653.18, **Townships:** Alta \$29,780.56, Anderson \$15,080.01, Ashtabula \$27,032.08, Baldwin \$30,496.99, Binghampton \$30,151.67, Brimer \$11,037.64, Cuba \$37,947.85, Dazey \$7,285.13, Eckelson \$22,776.88, Edna \$19,279.57, Ellsbury \$23,785.30, Getchell \$15,336.10, Grand \$44,425.32, Green \$9,621.85, Greenland \$14,010.21, Hemen \$12,809.33, Hobart \$19,552.04, Laketown \$16,693.40, Mansfield \$7,764.41, Marsh \$41,614.41, Meadow

\$18,855.06, Minnie \$15,061.40, Nelson \$8,914.01, Noltimier \$21,310.68, Norma \$17,481.89, Oakhill \$4,940.16, Oriska \$28,752.83, Pierce \$19,474.22, Potter \$25,281.24, Raritan \$12,267.81, Rogers \$10,765.91, Rosebud \$10,217.13, Sibley \$11,876.73, Skandia \$6,540.84, Spring \$12,366.39, Springvale \$11,823.91, Stewart \$35,931.30, Svea \$12,854.72, Thordenskjold \$15,486.15, Uxbridge \$25,324.48, Valley \$33,591.13, Weimer \$16,845.81, \$812,444.55, **Park Districts:** Fingal \$505.52, Litchville \$1,073.72, Sanborn \$793.06, Sibley \$245.50, Tower City \$181.77, Valley City \$395,630.94, Total For Fund \$398,430.51, **School Districts:** Barnes County North \$758,136.17, Enderlin Area Sd 24 \$77,989.62, Griggs County Centra \$3,166.93, Hope-Page \$145,251.55, Litchville-Marion \$392,858.65, Maple Valley \$567,851.15, Montpelier \$21,992.56, Valley City \$1,993,595.80, \$3,960,842.43, **Rural Fire Districts:** Dazey \$9,822.42, Edna \$4,024.61, Enderlin \$728.01, Fingal \$6,853.92, Hope \$15,953.49, Kathryn \$4,297.91, Nome \$4,935.02, Page \$2,044.67, Sanborn \$29,389.10, Tower City \$7,678.88, Valley City Rural Fire Protection \$29,889.99, Wimbledon \$19,461.06, Total For Fund \$135,079.08, **Thordenskjold Drain:** Stewart Drain li \$10,787.45, Thordenskjold Drain \$15,934.61, Total For Fund \$26,722.06, **Capital Projects:** Bank Of North Dakota \$591,453.88, Total For Fund \$591,453.88, **Covid St & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds:** Klj Engineering Llc \$451.12, Total For Fund \$451.12, Total Warrants \$8,686,616.46

With no further business, Shawn Olason made a motion, seconded by Vicky Lovell, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, with all members voting "aye" and the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 a.m.

Bill Carlblom, Chairman
Barnes County Commission

Julie Mindt
Barnes County Auditor