

The Barnes County Commission met in a special budget session on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. with Bill Carlblom, Mike Schwehr, Vicky Lovell, Pete Paulson present. Shawn Olauson was absent.

The 2026 Barnes County budget was discussed. Harold Rotunda, CPA, was in attendance to explain how the budget works with the 3% cap. The county can go by the same dollars levied in 2025 and bank the cap or they can choose to go by 2025 actual mills levied.

The Auditor's Office will create a worksheet to show the difference between the requested budgets and the budget cuts.

The next budget hearing is Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

With no further business, the hearing ended at 7:55 pm.

Bill Carlblom, Chairman
Barnes County Commission

Julie Mindt
Barnes County Auditor