

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, July 7, 2026 with Bill Carlblom, Mike Schwehr, Vicky Lovell, Pete Paulson, and Shawn Olauson. Chairman Bill Carlblom 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.

Pete Paulson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mike Schwehr seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Auditor's Office

Shawn Olauson moved to approve the June 16, 2026 minutes as presented. Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting aye. HVAC funding was discussed. We were rewarded with \$56,000 for the Court Facilities Improvement Advisory grant for the HVAC project. We will ask for a progress report on the HVAC construction project.

Commission Discussion

Pete Paulson gave an update on Veteran Service Office. The van bumper has been repaired. The airport sold a payload and will be purchasing a used one from General Equipment. The pancake breakfast usually held during Rally in the Valley fell through. The Economic Development has a small feed processing plant looking for a site. Some possible sites were toured. He sat on the canvassing board for the 2026 primary election. Shawn Olauson attended the Social Service meeting. The workers are working a forced overtime to catch up on overload cases. Currently, they are fully staffed. Shawn will bring up the budget for wage increase for 2027 at the next Water Resource meeting. Mike Schwehr gave an update on CCHD activity. They are approved for a grant that is shared with Stutsman County. They are working on the privacy counter project in the front office. They are advertising for a Home Health Coordinator. Miller Elevator will be vacating their office located on the top floor. Vicky Lovell attended the SCRDC meeting and reminded everyone of the grant programs that are available. The highway department held interviews for road operators. HUD had their audit with no flaws. Departmental budget meetings will be held Tuesday, July 14th and Monday, July 20th beginning at 5:00 pm.

Bills Approved For June 2026

General Fund: Abc Boat Docks Llc \$14,975.50, Acom Solutions Inc \$470.62, Advanced Business Methods Inc \$147.50, Aflac \$3,259.42, Aflac Group Insurance \$48.45, Amazon Capital Services \$2,415.60, Balco Uniform Co. Inc \$402.00, Barnes Co Vso \$181.85, Barnes County Auditor \$862.01, Barnes Rural Water \$471.83, Bek Communications Cooperative \$982.30, Bismarck Hotel & Conference Center \$330.00, Bob's Excavating Llc \$228.92, Carlblom, William \$88.43, Cass County Electric \$500.28, Cass County Government \$10,960.59, Catt Designs \$28.00, Clay County Sheriff \$52.40, Cloudsafe Group Llc \$600.00, Colonial Life Insurance \$568.57, Companion Life Insurance Co \$4,122.10, Counties Providing Technology \$2,896.00, Dacotah Bank Flex Acct \$1,560.75, Dacotah Bank \$d \$12,042.53, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop. \$94.35, Everson, Jordyn \$64.96, Fat Man Trash Llc \$1,008.00, Ground To Sky Llc \$1,734.00, Handy Hardware & Rental \$584.10, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office \$100.00, High Plains Water Treatment, Inc. \$61.00, Idemia Identity & Security Usa Llc \$25,490.00, Information Technology Department \$5,830.42, James-Valley Reg. Lodge #4 \$246.17, Koeplin, Bobby \$1,000.00, Kotaco \$2,001.96, Leaf \$190.00, Leever's Foods \$33.39, Litchville Bulletin \$645.30, Lovell, Victoria \$150.08, Marco Inc - St Louis \$665.41, Mckesson Medical-Surgical Mn Suppl \$139.66, Mid-States Wireless, Inc. \$110.11, Miller, Sarah \$315.70, Modern Marketing \$280.99, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$2,205.19, Motorola Solutions Inc \$32,617.12, Nd Attorney General \$4,200.00, Nd Correctional Health Care Assn \$100.00, Nd Dept Of Human Services \$6,955.59, O'reilly Auto Parts \$27.03, Otis Elevator Company \$2,421.12, Petro Serve Usa \$5,110.21, Pharmchem Inc \$383.40, Postmaster \$63.00, Quadient Finance Usa Inc \$6,050.30, Quadient Leasing Usa Inc \$709.08, Record Keepers, Llc \$35.00, Reliance Telephone Systems, Inc. \$1,000.00, Rj's Plumbing & Heating \$228.78, Sanford Health Occupational Medici \$171.00, Schwehr, Michael \$58.70, Scram Systems \$9.96, Smith Lumber Company \$406.24, Sodexo Campus Services \$269.90, Stoudt Miller Inc \$3,199.84, Stutsman County Communications \$230.00, Stutsman County Correctional Cente \$9,067.44, Summit Foods Service Llc \$18,305.91, The Medicine Shoppe \$52.68, Thiel, Jason \$77.19, Valley Barber Service \$446.00, Valley City Public Works \$5,357.45, Valley City Times-Record \$3,294.06, Valley Officeworks \$1,776.97, Verizon Wireless \$207.60, Total For Fund \$197,837.37, **City County Health:** City County Health District \$10,187.00, Total For Fund \$10,187.00, **Veterans Service Office:** Aflac \$215.03, Bek Communications Cooperative \$35.53, Companion Life Insurance Co \$141.70, Dacotah Bank Flex Acct \$42.00, Stoudt Miller Inc \$73.77, Valley City Times-Record \$51.50, Verizon Wireless \$112.96, Wagon Wheel Inn Ltd \$550.00, Wells Fargo Bank Nc \$500.36, Total For Fund \$1,722.85, **County Road And Bridge:** A P Equipment Inc \$45.15, Aflac \$1,086.48, Aflac Group Insurance \$40.85, Agronomy Sciences Llc \$6,692.57, Bierschbach Equipment & Supply Co, \$270.00, Chs Inc \$6,066.26, Cole Papers Inc. \$48.63, Colonial Life Insurance \$157.49, Companion Life Insurance Co \$1,049.26, Custom Contracting Solutions Llc \$7,824.00, Dacotah Bank Flex Acct \$678.00, Dmc Wear Parts Llc \$16,194.66, Foster, William \$177.36, General Equipment & Supplies \$5,688.70, Handy Hardware & Rental \$18.99, Klj Engineering Llc \$939.78, Kotaco \$5,185.83, Nd Dept Of Transportation \$6,843.76, Ndsu - Ugpti \$125.00, Newman Outdoor Advertising - Jmst \$446.88, Northern Salt Inc \$15,918.30, Northwest Tire Inc. \$88.00, Ottertail Power Company - Jamestown \$230.57, Petro Serve Usa \$289.98, Postmaster \$126.00, Powerplan Oib \$5,036.80, Puklich Chevrolet Buick Gmc \$1,700.31, R & H Maintenance & Lawn Care \$640.00, Smith Lumber Company \$675.32, Smith, Todd \$250.00, Swanston Equipment Co. \$4,947.76, The Window Man \$96.00, Truenorth Steel \$24,192.00, United Accounts, Inc. - Fargo \$325.00, Valley Auto Parts \$943.43, Valley City Public Works \$1,341.93, Valley City Times-

Record \$300.90, Valley Plains Equipment \$344.50, Verizon Wireless \$99.44, W.W.Wallwork, Inc \$32,950.00, World Insurance Associates Llc \$528.00, Total For Fund \$38,666.28-, **Weed Control:** Aflac \$170.08, Agterra Technologies Inc \$70.00, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$393.66, Companion Life Insurance Co \$99.92, Dacotah Bank Sd \$140.00, Handy Hardware & Rental \$219.43, Nd Weed Control Association \$600.00, Nutrien Ag Solutions Inc \$12,132.75, Smith Lumber Company \$23.99, Valley City Public Works \$32.78, Valley Officeworks \$88.94, Verizon Wireless \$200.05, Warne Chemical & Equipment \$2,043.00, Windish, Jamen \$50.00, Total For Fund \$16,264.60, **County Agent:** Aflac \$33.50, Companion Life Insurance Co \$49.96, Harstad, Alicia \$171.54, Leaf \$2,230.83, Leever's Foods \$6.98, Quill Corporation \$351.90, Tichy, Amy J \$180.00, Valley Officeworks \$51.97, Total For Fund \$3,011.68, **County Bridge:** Nd Dept Of Transportation \$1,016.03, Total For Fund \$1,016.03, **County Agent Revolving:** Dacotah Bank Sd \$596.25, Ndsu Dept 3110 \$30.00, Total For Fund \$626.25, **Grants And Projects:** Barnes Co Extension Service \$110.00, Leever's Foods \$56.40, Quill Corporation \$93.88, The Kids Therapy Center Llc \$200.00, Valley City School District #2 \$50.00, Williams, Alexis \$450.00, Total For Fund \$960.28, **Township Tap Funding Projects:** Klj Engineering Llc \$11,795.66, Total For Fund \$11,795.66, **Primary Residence Credit Adj:** Fitzell, Rebecca \$229.75, Grenz, Robert & Carol \$192.74, Heinze, Mara \$260.19, Hopson, Hope \$144.03, Leifson, Penney \$95.81, Odermann, Ross \$225.31, Olson, Jesse \$314.65, Parfitt, Blair \$43.27, Paulson, Kevin \$56.09, Reisenauer, Keith & Debora \$132.02, Schonert, John \$116.31, Schroeder, Robert & Barbara \$502.75, Triebold, Scott \$122.43, Waters, Angela & Chris \$153.18, Total For Fund \$2,588.53, **Soil Conservation:** Barnes Co Soil Conserv. Dist. \$4,227.86, Total For Fund \$4,227.86, **Garrison Conservancy Dist:** Garrison Diversion Cons Dist \$3,163.80, Total For Fund \$3,163.80, **Airport:** Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$6,048.55, Total For Fund \$6,048.55, **State Funds:** Nd State Treasurer \$400.56, Total For Fund \$400.56, **Older Persons:** South Central Adult Services \$5,105.46, Total For Fund \$5,105.46, **Ambulance:** Barnes County Ambulance \$6,220.52, Total For Fund \$6,220.52, **Water Resources:** Companion Life Insurance Co \$49.96, Houston Engineering, Inc. \$361.50, Maple River Water Resource District \$585.00, Minnesota Valley Testing Laborator \$1,824.80, Ohnstad Twichell, P.C. \$1,634.03, World Insurance Associates Llc \$818.00, Total For Fund \$5,273.29, **Historical Society:** Barnes Co Historical Society \$1,920.64, Total For Fund \$1,920.64, **Library:** Valley City Public Library \$2,595.99, Total For Fund \$2,595.99, **Recorders Preservation Fund:** Nelson, Jodie \$840.00, Pfaff, Jody \$840.00, Total For Fund \$1,680.00, **Cities:** Dazey \$3,027.96, Fingal \$4,295.61, Kathryn \$1,486.13, Leal \$404.56, Litchville \$3,435.63, Nome \$2,119.31, Oriska \$1,005.76, Pillsbury \$2,146.17, Rogers \$660.08, Sanborn \$4,768.22, Sibley \$1,411.96, Valley City \$109,073.12, Wimbledon \$2,369.65, Total For Fund \$136,204.16, **Townships:** Alta \$1,891.04, Anderson \$1,352.51, Ashtabula \$1,650.51, Baldwin \$241.90, Binghampton \$1,424.54, Brimer \$596.51, Cuba \$594.70, Dazey \$563.25, Eckelson \$1,648.96, Edna \$800.58, Ellsbury \$291.22, Getchell \$679.99, Grand \$353.48, Green \$1,204.31, Greenland \$452.36, Hemen \$670.78, Hobart \$1,134.60, Laketown \$326.98, Mansfield \$237.07, Marsh \$3,678.93, Meadow \$1,200.94, Minnie \$918.90, Nelson \$863.86, Noltimier \$806.66, Norma \$526.21, Oakhill \$296.50, Oriska \$858.80, Pierce \$516.21, Potter \$1,837.25, Raritan \$426.65, Rogers \$956.20, Rosebud \$507.32, Sibley \$2,118.31, Skandia \$314.40, Spring \$825.35, Springvale \$1,639.53, Stewart \$1,070.71, Svea \$566.48, Thordenskjold \$462.62, Uxbridge \$549.14, Valley \$3,024.78, Weimer \$250.93, \$40,331.97, **Park Districts:** Fingal \$131.74, Litchville \$132.47, Sanborn \$179.98, Sibley \$35.26, Valley City \$57,689.23, Total For Fund \$58,168.68, **School Districts:** Barnes County North \$39,405.55, Enderlin Area Sd 24 \$3,707.01, Hope-Page \$2,331.07, Litchville-Marion \$9,603.35, Maple Valley \$18,653.16, Montpelier \$1,139.88, Valley City \$177,677.02, \$252,517.04, **Rural Fire Districts:** Dazey \$912.82, Edna \$168.09, Enderlin \$7.04, Fingal \$406.89, Hope \$198.20, Kathryn \$146.49, Nome \$195.90, Page \$113.16, Sanborn \$2,038.17, Tower City \$652.43, Valley City Rural Fire Protection \$1,034.99, Wimbledon \$659.89, Total For Fund \$6,534.07, **Thordenskjold Drain:** Houston Engineering, Inc. \$501.25, Stewart Drain Li \$171.99, Thordenskjold Drain \$157.27, Total For Fund \$830.51, **Covid St & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds:** Roers Construction Joint Venture L \$1,236,682.41, Total For Fund \$1,236,682.41, Total Warrants \$1,975,249.48

With no further business, Shawn Olason made a motion, seconded by Pete Paulson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, with all members voting "aye" and the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 a.m.

Bill Carlblom, Chairman
Barnes County Commission

Julie Mindt
Barnes County Auditor