

The Board of Barnes County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, November 2, 2004, with all members present.

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, presented the 2005-06 County Federal Aid Program.

Commissioner Maasjo moved and Commissioner Schwehr seconded motion to approve the tentative projects as scheduled. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Schwehr moved and Commissioner Opdahl seconded motion to approve a utility permit for Qwest Corporation to bore under County Road 21 at 117th Ave SE. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Discussion followed on streamlining the current procedure for utility permit approvals.

Commissioner Schwehr moved and Commissioner Maasjo seconded motion to give Johnson authority to approve and sign utility permits, and to notify the Commission of the applications in a timely manner. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Berntson moved and Commissioner Opdahl seconded motion to approve a utility permit for Otter Tail Power Company, for an underground electrical cable crossing Old Highway 10 (Sec. 20, Twp. 140 N, Range 61 West). Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Johnson reported on work recently completed on county-owned FEMA properties in Eckelson. A well was filled in on a property and another property was checked for a septic tank, but none was found. That cost will be turned in to Norma Duppler, Emergency Manager.

Johnson presented a proposed policy for dealing with Barnes County Highway Department employees with CDL licenses who are arrested for DUI. It was the consensus of the Commission that a policy needs to be in place by the beginning of the year, and that the policy needs to be made known to employees.

Johnson also reported on a recent visit to the gravel pit by the Mining Safety and Health Administration, stating they had received a citation for having no rollover protection on the dozer. A discussion of the termination of gravel operations ensued, with Johnson citing finances and the age of the equipment.

Johnson also discussed snow removal and the rising cost of fuel and steel.

Commissioner Opdahl moved and Commissioner Berntson seconded motion to raise the price charged to the townships by \$5; from \$50 to \$55 per hour for snow plowing, grading, and blading of roads, and from \$55 to \$60 per hour for the truck snow plow, effective December 1. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Maasjo announced that the Barnes County Employee Christmas Party will be held Dec. 10 at the Eagles.

Commissioner Berntson moved and Commissioner Maasjo seconded motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2004 meeting, with one correction. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

County CPA Harold Rotunda gave a financial report. He discussed losses incurred in the City County Health Department in 2003 and 2004.

Commissioner Schwehr presented an update on a recent meeting of the corrections center committee, which is studying the possibility of a multi-county correctional facility. Several committee members were present. Commissioner Schwehr moved and Commissioner Maasjo seconded motion to make a request for \$25,000 from the Valley City-Barnes County Development

Corporation to fund one-half the cost of a feasibility study for the study. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Emergency Manager Norma Duppler and Sheriff Randy McClaflin reported on the new communications tower that is now up. The Commission discussed the question of whether HAM radio operators would be allowed to use the tower. Duppler also requested permission to do fencing around the tower, to be funded through her FEMA funds. Sheriff McClaflin informed the Board that the tower will be alarmed.

Commissioner Schwehr moved and Commission Opdahl seconded motion to allow HAM radio operators to use the tower at no charge, with an antenna to measure under 150 feet, and to not allow HAMs to climb on the tower. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Berntson then moved and Commissioner Maasjo seconded motion to go ahead with the fencing. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Minimum sale prices for county properties acquired for back taxes were set by the Commission. Discussion was held concerning eviction and liability, and States Attorney Robin Huseby was consulted.

Commissioner Schwehr moved and Commissioner Maasjo seconded motion to proceed with eviction action in the case of any county properties inhabited or in use. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Sheriff McClaflin introduced Joe Gress, a new employee on the Drug Task Force, to the Commissioners.

The following expenditures were approved for payment for the month of October - **GENERAL FUND:** American Tower Corp \$1,050.02, Anderson, Daniel \$50.00, Appliance City Radio Shack \$11.49, AT&T-Omaha \$3.96, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$1143.28, Barnes Co Eco Ed Camp 2000.00, Bjerke, Gene \$25.00, BP \$43.11, Cahoon, Lois \$25.00, Central Business Systems \$605.26, City County Health Dept \$100.00, City of Valley City \$15,530.90, Dacotah Paper Co \$382.65, Dahl, Ronald \$43.60, Dahl Ronald \$43.60, Dakota Industrial Supply \$47.70, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$96.40, Duppler, Norma \$274.20, Elections Systems & Software \$884.01, Expressway Suites \$93.90, G&K Services \$351.42, Galls Incorporated \$553.48, Goven, Thomas \$222.92, Gress, Joseph \$100.00, Hager, Brian \$85.25, James-Valley Reg Lodge #4 \$16.42, John's 194 Tesoro \$70.00, K&S Embroidery \$204.00, Kjonaas, Nicholas \$62.20, Lerud, Roger \$280.00, Litchville Bulletin \$68.82, McGough, Edward \$144.90, Menards \$149.95, Meritcare Medical Group \$180.00, Mid-America Research Chemical \$63.00, Midwest Pest Control \$100.00, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$174.48, Motorola \$18,050.00, Multiband \$1,440.00, ND Dept of Transportation \$30.00, ND State Radio Communications \$300.00, Niewind, Bryan \$25.00, ND Newspaper Assn \$41.48, Officeland \$1255.98, Opdahl, Harlan \$243.97, Otis Elevator Co \$80.00, Overn Electric \$355.49, Pamida \$45.36, Perkins \$186.65, Postage By Phone \$2000.00, Qwest \$2159.56, Ramkota Hotel Bismarck \$780.00, RJs Plumbing & Heating \$100.40, Roorda, Elizabeth \$252.03, S&S Auto Electric \$11.95, Sheyenne Auto Center \$61.85, Sheyenne Publishing \$231.66, State Bar Assn of ND \$50.00, State Tax Commissioner \$50.00, Stein's Inc \$84.43, The State Chemical Mfg Co \$136.00, The Window Man \$35.00, Thrifty White Stores \$24.16, US Link-TDS Metrocom \$275.05 Valley Auto Parts \$79.90, VC Public Works \$1999.20, VC Times Record \$658.80, Verizon Wireless \$403.60, Visa \$2746.40, White Banner Uniform Co \$433.00; **CITY COUNTY HEALTH FUND:** Allard Trophy Co \$300.00, American Lung Assn of ND \$512.83, Bitz Tire & Service Inc \$21.61, Buelow, Loralee \$64.17, Bulb Direct \$14.90, Central Valley Health \$1160.08, Corwin, Lori \$47.98, Dakota Carrier Network \$547.52, Dakota Central Telecommunications \$54.95, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$51.95, Dex Media East LLC \$39.80, Foss Drug \$336.86, Gertholz, Tamie \$144.42, Glaxosmithkline Pharm \$71.00, Grim, Lela \$18.29, Hemocue, Inc. \$980.00, IAIM US Members \$85.00, Ingenix \$105.90, Langland, Tamara \$107.50, Leever's Super Valu \$46.12, Lippencott Williams & Wilkins \$44.90, Medical Supplies Depot \$120.22, Mercy Hospital \$519.96, Michael, James D. \$472.61, NDPHA \$280.00, Norm's BBO \$180.00, Officeland \$36.42, Pesek, Gloria \$120.93, Qwest \$281.96, Rosenau, Vicki \$61.70, Saylor, Doreen \$200.00, Saylor, Natalie \$200.00, Sheyenne Publishing \$49.74, Swenson, Maria \$114.53, Thompson, Laurel \$77.81, TWL Billing Services & Supplies \$188.54, Universal Footcare Products \$35.15, University of Minnesota \$28.50, US Link TDS Metrocom \$145.41, VC Times-

Record \$77.01, Viland, Beth \$527.18, Visa \$816.70, Will, Theresa \$95.81; **VETERANS SERVICE FUND:** Barnes County Highway Dept \$95.60, Country Inn & Suites \$90.00, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$11.99, Drong, James \$85.06, Officeland \$9.99, US Link TDS Metrocom \$7.51, Valley Towing & Service \$32.60; **SOCIAL SERVICES FUND:** Altringer Patty \$109.12, American Public Human Services Assn \$115.00, Baarstad, Diane \$22.32, Barnes Co Social Services \$50.00, Bergson Beverly \$138.35, Comfort Inn Bismarck \$45.00, Huss, Candice \$56.73, Johnson, Lisa \$111.29, Meikle, Marlo \$16.99, ND Dept of Human Services \$12,378.04, ND Eligibility Workers Assn \$80.00, Officeland \$187.18, Sexton-Browne, Jeanne \$125.32, Uecker, Leslie \$22.32, US Link TDS Metrocom \$220.90, VC Times-Record \$92.00; **COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND:** Acordia Mountain West, Inc ND \$11.00, Appliance City Radio Shack \$21.99, Bakkegard & Schell \$144.60, Bayshore Cityside \$32.24, Bjornson, Lois \$3.72, Butler, Machinery \$294.47, Carquest Auto Parts Store \$675.00, Cummins North Central Inc \$290.68, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$17,578.03, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop \$65.04, Etter, Gordon \$8529.10, Inter-Community Telephone \$68.81, Johnson Fargo Culvert Co \$23,810.35, K&S Carpet Cleaners \$307.80, Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson Inc-VC \$600.00, Kratz Hardware \$46.70, Lab Safety Supply Inc \$117.07, Laker Chemical, Inc \$544.46, Leever's Super Valu \$21.99, Little Falls Machine, Inc \$1942.03, Meritcare Medical Group \$165.00, Montana Dakota Utilities \$79.71, ND Dept of Transportation \$30.00, Newman Traffic Signs Jmst \$1076.18, Northwestern Equipment, Inc \$544.98, Officeland \$239.98, OK Tire Store \$108.86, Pamida \$47.20, Peak Equipment & Transfer SVC \$4515.75, Pearson Electric Motor Co \$87.50, Plains Grain & Agronomy \$894.74, Praxair Distribution \$147.33, Ramkota Hotel Bismarck \$144.00, S&S Auto Electric \$349.49, Star Enterprises \$1512.00, Sweeney Bros of Fargo \$685.67, The Window Man \$51.00, US Link -TDS Metrocom \$71.81, Valley Auto Parts \$13.89, VC Public Works \$586.60, VC Times-Record \$154.80, Valley Extinguisher \$153.00, Verizon Wireless \$100.59, Vining Oil Co \$1575.96, Wallwork Truck Center \$1997.93, Winings, Don \$7.40; **COUNTY PARK FUND:** Bumper To Bumper \$23.00, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$93.01, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop \$37.94, Erickson, Harold \$15.00, Officeland .77; S&S Auto Electric \$347.00, VC Chamber \$2703.96; **WEED CONTROL FUND:** Bayshore Cityside \$70.58, Dakota Plains Cooperative \$57.89, K&S Carpet Cleaners \$70.00, Kratz Hardware \$17.25, McAllister, James \$102.30, MeritCare Medical Group \$70.00, OK Tire Store \$13.20, RC Welding \$70.00, US Link-TDS Metrocom \$4.93, VC Public Works \$15.83, Verizon Wireless \$27.49; **EMERGENCY FUND:** Enterprise Sales \$7237.32; **OASIS AND SOCIAL SECURITY FUND:** Computer Professionals Unlimited \$2977.88, High Plains Technology \$122.40, Information Technology Dept \$445.00, Officeland \$781.67, US Lin-TDS Metrocom \$8.19, Visa \$1311.49; **COUNTY AGENT FUND:** Bjelland, Ellen \$212.97, Central Business Systems \$275.22, Grueneich, Randy \$399.71, Kyocera Mita America Inc \$183.00, NDAE4-HYW \$70.00, NDSU \$84.99, Officeland \$94.87, US Link-TDS Metrocom \$57.59; **BC EMERGENCY HCPRA:** Roby's \$96.34; **FARM TO MARKET 15 MILL:** Border States Paving \$713.91, Kadrmass Lee & Jackson VC \$8781.44, Koch Materials Co \$16,937.47, ND Dept of Transportation \$200,325.68; **COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER FUND:** Bob Barker Co \$73.78, CH Carpenter Lumber Co \$267.86, Cable Services \$46.94, Cass Clay Creamery, Inc \$253.50, City County Health Dept \$231.00, Dakota Industrial Supply \$41.30, Environmental Enterprises \$144.98, Food Services of American/Fargo \$2,468.51, Galls Inc \$89.97, High Plains Water Treatment, Inc \$21.00, James-Valley Reg. Lodge #4 \$16.42, Leever's Super Valu \$115.02, Marketplace Food & Drug \$263.45, Meritcare Medical Group \$503.00, Montana Dakota Utilities \$58.16, Officeland \$258.31, Pamida \$20.37, Remmick, Donelda \$37.20, Schiffner, Kevin \$31.00, Thrifty White Stores \$1423.79, US Link-TDS Metrocom \$30.35; **COUNTY BRIDGE FUND:** Kadrmass Lee & Jackson -VC \$8779.89; **2000 BRIDGE SINKING FUND:** Cook Wegner & Wike \$185.28; **FRONTAGE ROAD FUND:** Stowman, Chuck \$10,200.00; **LOOSESTRIFE WEED FUND:** McAllister, James \$26.66, Meritcare Medical Group \$130.00, Sheyenne Publishing \$91.86; **SOIL CONSERVATION FUND:** Barnes County Soil Conservation District \$274.60; **GARRISON CONSERVANCY DIST FUND:** Garrison Diversion Conservancy District \$274.72; **AIRPORT FUND:** Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$671.04; **911 EMERGENCY FUND:** Dakota Central Telecommunications \$21.00, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop \$255.00, Inter-Community Telephone \$150.00, Qwest \$873.62; **STATE FUNDS:** ND State Treasurer \$28,998.88; **WINTER SHOW FUND:** ND Winter Show \$671.45; **OLDER PERSONS FUND:** South Central Adult Services \$297.87; **AMBULANCE:** Barnes County Ambulance \$2640.00; **WATER RESOURCES FUND:** Barnes County Soil Conservation District \$98.00, Hurley, Pat \$40.46, Johnson Don \$19.22, K&S Carpet Cleaners \$56.00, McMillan, Jeff \$24.80, Red River Joint Water Board \$19,392.00; **HISTORICAL SOCIETY FUND:** Barnes County Historical Society \$84.50; **LIBRARY FUND:** Valley City Public Library \$57.51; **RECORDS PRESERVATION FUND:** Cass County Treasurer \$354.00; **CITIES FUND:** City of Dazey \$308.23 City of Fingal \$156.31, City of Kathryn \$1088.58, City of Litchville \$61.11; City of Nome \$128.08, City of Oriska \$96.66, City of Rogers \$248.10, City of Sanborn \$68.94, City of Valley City \$13,859.65; City of

Wimbledon \$292.82; **TOWNSHIPS FUND:** Brimer Twsp \$56.51, Cuba Twsp \$139.54, Eckelson Twsp \$96.83, Green Twsp \$78.60, Heman Twsp \$1684.08, Mansfield Twsp \$365.31, Meadow Lake Twsp \$71.19, Nelson Twsp \$145.94, Noltimier Twsp \$56.96, Oriska Twsp \$56.81, Potter Twsp \$252.04, Svea Twsp \$181.77, Thordenskjold Twsp \$79.16 Valley Twsp \$238.50; **PARK DISTRICT FUND:** City of Fingal \$13.97, City of Kathryn \$82.68, City of Litchville \$9.66, City of Nome \$1.43, City of Sanborn \$2.70, Valley City Park District \$3562.99; **SCHOOL DISTRICT FUND:** Enderlin SD \$899.40, Litchville-Marion SD 8054.68, Maple Valley SD 2306.77, Montpelier SD \$2397.51, North Central \$3694.62, Valley City SD \$34,847.86, Wimbledon SD \$722.91; **RURAL FIRE DISTRICT FUND:** Dazey RFD \$74.21, Kathryn RFD \$155.50, Sanborn RFD \$821.54; **INTEREST FUND:** Barnes County Treasurer \$4196.40; **PAYROLL FUND:** Internal Revenue Service \$125.46, Job Service North Dakota \$4707.86, State Tax Commissioner \$9925.60.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Berntson moved and Commissioner Maasjo seconded motion to adjourn. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Edward R. McGough
Barnes County Auditor

Palmer Paulson, Chairman
Barnes County Commission