

The Board of Barnes County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, June 21, 2005, with all members present.

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, and Bob Podoll of Kadmas, Lee & Jackson met with the Commission. Podoll informed the Commission that the road by Wesley Acres will not be opened this weekend due to weather delays.

Discussion took place concerning the part-time position at the Highway Department. It was the consensus of the Commission that Tina Wagner assumes the Zoning Coordinator responsibilities as requested by Johnson. He also informed the Board that he has hired a seasonal employee.

Commissioner Triebold made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Opdahl, to approve the minutes of the June 7 and 10 meetings, with corrections. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Opdahl, to approve site authorization for Red River Human Services Foundation at the City Lights Supper Club. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Maasjo made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Schwehr, to approve \$50,000 from the Barnes County Economic Development Fund to the Valley City-Barnes County Development Corporation toward an incentives package to bring in a manufacturing business. The business manufactures metal products which are shipped nationally and internationally. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

BJ Edwardson, County Recorder, and Kerstin Ertelt, Deputy Recorder, met with the Commission to discuss office personnel issues. Edwardson requested adding one full-time employee to complete the number of staff needed to fill the positions necessary for the operation of the Recorder's Office.

Commissioner Triebold made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Opdahl, to approve hiring one full-time employee for the Recorder's Office. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Ertelt informed the Commission she plans to take her maternity leave when she has completed training in the Recorder's Office.

Norma Duppler, Emergency Manager, Chris Brown and Ryan Gellner of the North Dakota League of Cities/Association of Counties, and Wade Williams of the Association of Counties, discussed Homeland Security training and exercise programs. Brown requested that the County use the 14 percent of the Homeland Security 2005 grant received to have them provide the training and exercises. Duppler had met with the Commissioners in April on the Association of Counties and League of Cities contract. At that time, she was concerned that the cost was too high because she had been informed that only one training class and an exercise were available for the \$14,000 contract. The Commissioners declined signing the contract at that time. Chris Brown informed the Commission that Barnes County could get nine classes for the \$14,000 contract. Duppler stated it would be acceptable for the \$14,000 to contract with them.

No motion was made to allow the Association of Counties Homeland Security personnel to provide the training.

Sheriff Randy McClafin and Deputy Don Fiebiger presented Sheriff's Office fee changes as follows:

Sheriff's Fee Changes made by Senate Bill 2142

NDCC 11-15-07. County fees.

<u>Subsection</u>		<u>Current</u>	<u>July 1, 2005</u>
(1) Summons etc.	a	\$10.00	\$20.00
(2) Return/not-found		\$10.00	\$20.00
(3) Taking/filing bond		\$10.00	\$20.00

(4) Copy process	b	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00
(5) Levying writ		\$25.00	\$40.00
(6) Calling inquest		\$10.00	\$20.00
Appraiser fee		\$50.00	\$100.00
(7) Advertising sale	c	\$10.00	\$20.00
(8) Making deed		\$10.00	\$20.00
(9) Issuing certificate		\$10.00	\$20.00
(10) Sale/foreclosure		\$50.00	\$75.00
(11) Prisoner Board		\$8.00	\$ 8.00

Notes:

- a. "plus actual incurred costs of postage and long distance calls" was added to fee in 1991
- b. This fee is a per-page fee and no change was proposed
- c. Plus actual costs of advertising

NDCC 11-15-08. Commissions collected by sheriff.

	<u>Current</u>	<u>July 1, 2005</u>
For execution/attachment by value		
First \$1000	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00
Amount over \$1000	1%	1%

NDCC 11-15-09. Allowances when plaintiff bids in property at sale.

	<u>Current</u>	<u>July 1, 2005</u>
(1) Up to \$1000	\$ 20.00	\$ 40.00
(2) More than \$1000	\$ 20.00	\$ 40.00

NDCC 23-15-04. Exceptions (Fireworks distributor license).

	<u>Current</u>	<u>July 1, 2005</u>
	\$ 5.00	\$ 20.00

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Triebold, to adopt Senate Bill 2142 setting Sheriff's fees for Barnes County, effective July 1, 2005. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Maasjo, to adopt the following resolution regarding a plan of publishing notice and public hearings to re-designate the position of County Recorder from elected to appointed. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Resolution 8:

Resolution for Proposed Plan as to County Recorder Office

WHEREAS, the County recorder of Barnes County recently resigned, and
WHEREAS, the Office of County Recorder comes up for election in 2006.
WHEREAS, a temporary Barnes County Recorder has been appointed to fill in for now, and
WHEREAS, the Barnes County Commission wishes to explore the possibility of making the county recorder's office appointed rather than elected, and/or consolidating it with another office with inter-related functions,

NOW THEREFORE, the Barnes County Commission does herein RESOLVE that the office of Barnes County Recorder prepare a report "Proposed Plan" in accordance with Section 11-10.2-02(1) analyzing the function of the office, the purpose of the office, and how it would function as appointed rather than elected. Further, the "Plan" should contain an analysis of the function of any other office and the purpose of that office considered for consolidation with the county recorder's office. The county recorder office "Plan" should detail how a consolidation of offices would affect each office and how it would affect other offices in the county.

Dated this 24th day of June, 2005
/s/ Rodger Berntson
Chair, Barnes County Commission

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Maasjo, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Edward R. McGough
Barnes County Auditor

Rodger Berntson, Chairman
Barnes County Commission