

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session Tuesday, September 5, 2006, with all members present.

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, and Ross Eberle and Wade Frank of Kadmas, Lee and Jackson, discussed tying a City of Valley City water main project in to the 4th Street Bridge project. By tying the two projects together, coordination and traffic control will be much easier.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Triebold, that the County allow the City of Valley City's proposed water project to tie in with the 4th Street Bridge project, if the City pays their share of the estimated project cost ahead of time, and that the States Attorney will draw up an agreement between Barnes County and Valley City stating these terms. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Eberle and Johnson also discussed the overlay project on County Road #19 on the west side of Lake Ashtabula. The project is nearly complete with the new mailbox supports and some cleanup work left to do.

Mr. Eberle informed the Commission they are scheduled to meet with the DOT in Bismarck Monday, October 9, at 3:40 p.m. regarding federal road project projections and funding.

Mr. Eberle and Mr. Johnson also discussed future projects and how extreme cost increases will affect timelines and types of repairs and maintenance to be done.

States Attorney Brad Cruff recommended that the Commission hire Howard Swanson as an Assistant States Attorney in the Triebold matter.

Commissioner Maasjo made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berntson, to hire Howard Swanson as an Assistant States Attorney to represent the County on an abatement request brought by Roger Triebold. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Ellen Bjelland, Extension Agent, met with the Commissioner to discuss a resource center network grant, to be used for child abuse and neglect prevention.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Maasjo, to allow Ms. Bjelland to proceed in applying for a Family Resource Center Network Grant of \$20,000 for 2006-2007, from the North Dakota Department of Human Services. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Triebold made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Maasjo, to approve the minutes for August 17, 2006, as presented. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

BJ Edwardson, Tax Director, Betty Koslofsky, Administrative Assistant, and Liz Roorda, Appraiser, met with the Commission to discuss how the positions in the Tax Director's Office will be filled upon the retirement of BJ Edwardson.

Commissioner Maasjo made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Schwehr, to appoint Betty Koslofsky as Tax Director/GIS Supervisor, effective September 16, 2006. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Maasjo made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berntson, to approve Ms. Koslofsky as a Grade 9, at \$14.24 per hour, effective when she takes over as Tax Director/GIS Supervisor. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berntson, to appoint Liz Roorda as Administrative Assistant II/Appraiser, effective September 16, 2006. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Triebold, to approve Ms. Roorda as a Grade 7, at a salary of \$10.91 per hour, effective September 16, 2006. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting “yes,” motion carried.

Jennifer Feist, VC-BC Development Director, requested funding support of \$3,500 for a transportation study of the impact on county roads to the proposed Spiritwood Energy Park.

Commissioner Berntson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Schwehr, to approve a funding contribution from \$2,000 to \$3,500 for the transportation study of the impact on county roads to the Spiritwood Energy Park. Upon a roll call vote with Commissioners Maasjo and Triebold voting “no” and all others voting “yes,” motion carried.

Ms. Feist then informed the Commission that the South Central Dakota Regional Council is raising its dues for the County from \$3,300 to \$14,303, to help make up for the loss of federal funding.

Brad Cruff, States Attorney, and Mike Lerud, representing local funeral home directors, were present to discuss the maximum amount paid by the County for indigent burials. A decision on the matter will be made at budget time.

Theresa Will, City County Health Department Director, met with the Commission to discuss application for a network development grant by CCHD, Barnes County Social Services, and Mercy Home Care. They are studying the possibility of renovating the current jail facility into health department/ home care use if they merge.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Triebold, to allow application for grant funding to include an architect to evaluate the existing jail facility as to its feasibility for office space. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting “yes,” motion carried.

Diane Shape, Litchville City Council member and community residents met with the Commission to discuss a perpetual wetland easement applied for by an area agricultural landowner which lies within Litchville city limits. Ms. Shape informed the Commission that the City of Litchville has denied the easement because of concerns about future development and storm sewer drainage. They requested the Commission go on record in support of the denial of this easement.

Commissioner Maasjo made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Triebold, to sign a letter of support to the City of Litchville in denial of the wetland easement. Upon a roll call vote with all members voting “yes,” motion carried.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berntson, to appoint Commissioner Maasjo as the Barnes County representative to the Safety Outreach Program.

The following bills were approved for the month of August: **GENERAL FUND:** Ace Hardware \$477.26, Appliance City \$683.97, Appliance City Radio Shack \$49.99, Bakkegard & Schell \$95.00, Barnes Co Hwy Dept \$2345.79, Berntson, Rodger \$72.90, Cardmember Service \$127.85, Cass Co Electric \$26.50, Cole Papers \$174.02, Dakota Clinic \$571.00, Dakota Plains \$66.45, Edwardson, Betty \$140.60, Eggert, Robert \$65.25, Election Systems & Software \$2270.70, Environmental Transport \$99.00, Ertelt, Kerstin \$275.59, Franklin, Kim \$48.00, G&K Services \$161.79, Goven, Thomas \$1155.00, Inst of Local Govt \$68.00, Intl Inn \$197.36, Koslofsky, Betty \$163.65, Kratz Hardware \$113.77, Leever \$15.85, Lerud-Johnson-Schuldt \$1100.00, Litchville Bulletin \$10.23, Maasjo, Dale \$67.50, Matthew Bender Co \$312.35, Mid-States Wireless \$50.00, MDU \$75.00, ND Assn of Counties \$241.56, ND Dept of Transportation \$10.00, ND Emergency Mgmt Assn \$70.00, Opdahl, Harlan \$130.50, Otis Elevator \$91.62, Overn Electric \$7080.00, Pamida \$48.78, Perkins 55.84, Postmaster \$39.00, Punton, Alex Jr \$27.00, Quality Alignment & Brake \$65.00, Qwest \$575.00, Roberg, David \$76.50, Roorda, Liz \$339.75, S&S Auto Electric \$3.20, Secty of State \$36.00, Servicemaster \$1225.00, Sheyenne Auto Ctr \$23.45, Sheyenne Printers \$120.36, Smith, Jamie \$135.00, Stevens, James \$54.00, Stop N Go \$30.00, TDS Metrocom \$318.56, Thrifty White \$27.45, Trader Bros \$80.00, Truck & Auto Salvage \$6725.00, Underground Vaults & Storage \$368.00, Valley Auto Parts \$415.52, VC Public Works \$2478.37, VC Times Record \$1136.32, Valley Officeworks \$3083.60, Valley Service \$25.38, Verizon \$416.47; **CITY-COUNTY HEALTH:**

Broten, Patricia \$54.00, Buffalo Mall \$50.00, Central Business Systems \$367.76, Central Valley Health Dist \$1247.00, Comfort Inn \$40.00, Dakota Carrier Network \$547.52, Dakota Central Telecom \$49.95, Dakota Plains \$110.79, Dex \$47.44, Dietz, Kathy \$54.00, Foss Drug \$619.32, Glaxosmithkline \$289.95, Hemocue \$672.00, Hopkins Med Products \$58.95, Langland, Tamara \$229.50, Leever's \$31.03, Martin, Angie \$59.22, Medical Supplies Dept \$49.42, Medtox Lab \$20.00, Mercy Hospital \$703.56, Michael, James \$640.65, Pamida \$36.95, Pesek, Gloria \$10.52, Quickmedical \$230.89, Qwest \$137.49, Radisson Hotel \$100.00, Rosenau, Vicki \$202.66, Scanhealth \$600.00, Skalicky, Kasey \$289.75, TDS Metrocom \$66.78, Thomsen, Paula \$92.39, Upper Missouri District Health Unit \$3618.00, VC Times Record \$562.61, Valley Officeworks \$468.40, Viland, Beth \$197.41, Wick Inv \$300.00, Will, Theresa \$62.20; **VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE:** Barnes Co Hwy Dept \$174.53, Sheyenne Printers \$52.00, TDS Metrocom \$14.34, Valley Officeworks \$299.00, Valley Service \$27.85; **SOCIAL SERVICES:** AllTel \$65.50, Barnes Co Treasurer \$807.22, Bayley Neurauter, Lisa \$428.45, Brain Injury Assn of ND \$50.00, Buringrud, Mary \$59.00, Central Business Systems \$523.09, Coit, Gwen \$216.60, Comfort Inn \$59.00, Comfort Suites \$200.00, Compson, Becky \$111.15, Esch, Tenille \$57.15, Fargo Sr. Commission \$65.00, Huss, Candice \$52.20, Klinger, Michelle \$20.95, Litchville Bulletin \$24.00, Meikle, Marlo \$16.99, ND Dept of Human Service \$10,844.78, Oye, Sheila \$639.45, Pizza Corner \$95.00, Sexton-Brown, Jeanne \$392.80, Sheyenne Printers \$441.10, TDS Metrocom \$166.87, Valley Officeworks \$286.84; **COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE:** AP Equipment \$196.81, Bear Creek Gravel \$6937.75, Bert's Truck Equipment \$86.47, Bitz Tire & Service \$36.11, Butler Machinery \$1374.98, Cardmember Service \$220.86, Carquest Auto Parts Store \$1038.03, Catco Clutch & Transmission \$1411.18, Dakota Plains \$23,169.86, Dickey Rural Telephone \$64.02, Erker, Tina \$225.75, Grey Products \$65.41, Inter-community Telephone \$69.55, Jemco \$143.63, Johnston Fargo Culvert \$1042.92, K&S Carpet Cleaners \$246.24, Kratz Hardware \$20.28, Leever's \$2.10, Mac's \$40.27, Mark's Repair \$150.00, Newman Traffic Signs \$1545.90, Pamida 45.13, Perkins \$18.54, Plains Grain & Agronomy \$2282.30, Praxair Dist \$166.50, R&R Petroleum \$9.16, Roorda, Anthony \$4221.00, Star Enterprises \$2160.00, Stutsman Co \$1292.00, Swanston Equipment \$67.43, Sweeney Bros of Fargo \$391.43, TDS Metrocom \$36.37, The Window Man \$62.00, Valley Auto Parts \$2199.45, VC Public Works \$695.39, Valley Officeworks \$12.83, Verizon \$94.48, Vining Oil & Gas \$3319.18, Wagner, Tina \$4.20, Wallwork Truck Ctr \$382.10, Wendel Auto Body \$120.00, Zep Mfg \$214.58; **COUNTY PARK:** Ace Hardware \$11.06, Arc Thrift-E-Shop \$2.00, CH Carpenter Lumber \$15.85, Cardmember Service \$69.95, Cass Co Electric \$48.65, Dakota Ind Supply \$28.45, Dakota Plains \$1484.95, Dickey Rural Telephone \$39.38, Enterprise Sales \$54.64, Kratz Hardware \$11.82, Legge's Portable Milling \$325.00, Litchville Enterprises \$28.30, Marketplace \$12.08, ND Dept of Health \$11.00, Pamida \$14.63, Parts Plus Auto Sales \$113.90, Rusty Spur Café \$57.81, S&S Auto Electric \$161.87, Smith Farm & Home \$9.38, Smith Lumber \$84.00, State Fire & Tornado Fund \$8.75, Waste Management of ND \$72.68; **WEED CONTROL:** ADM Benson-Quinn \$30,083.44, Barnes Co Hwy Dept \$948.59, Bayshore City Side \$53.00, Carquest Auto Parts \$6.35, Dakota Plains \$6.28, FEI \$16.04, Hansen, Patricia \$45.49, Malec, Don \$672.96, Norm's BBQ \$200.00, Olson, Gary \$210.53, S&S Auto Electric \$284.87, Sadek, Alex \$400.37, TDS Metrocom \$9.15, Truck & Auto Salvage \$10.00, UAP Distr \$14,200.80, VC Public Works \$41.70; **OASIS & SOCIAL SECURITY:** Cardmember Service \$2187.49, CPU \$1503.74, Information Technology Dept \$452.20, ND Assn of Counties \$295.27, Pamida \$33.07, TDS Metrocom \$2.16, Valley Officeworks \$538.32; Bjelland, Ellen \$423.38, Central Business Systems \$157.50, GE Capital \$145.55, Grueneich, Randy \$205.58, Kratz Hardware \$17.52, ND Newspaper Assn \$150.00, Quill \$330.28, Sheyenne Printers \$5.70, TDS Metrocom \$56.04, Valley Officeworks \$163.77; **FARM TO MARKET 15 MILL:** Bear Creek Gravel \$9594.50, Border States Paving \$9431.45, Flint Hills Resources \$113,463.32, Johnston Fargo Culvert \$3508.16, Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson \$1536.08, Lyle Signs \$30.65, Newman Traffic Signs \$24.68, Northern Improvement Co \$1317.88; **BC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** VC-BC Development Corp \$5000.00; **CORRECTIONAL CENTER:** Ace Hardware \$266.57, Appliance City \$176.98, Cable Services \$30.74, Cass Clay Creamery \$348.65, City Health Dept \$1127.00, Dakota Industrial Supply \$102.00, Food Services of America \$2069.72, Galls \$199.39, High Plains Water Treatment \$22.00, Hunter, Karen \$27.00, Information Technologies \$729.00, Information Technology Dept \$150.00, Kratz Hardware \$2.78, Lang, Jason \$75.00, Leever's \$83.62, Marketplace \$218.34, Mercy Hospital \$315.00, MDU \$25.00, Odne, Dr. Lynn \$288.00, Overn Electric \$36.62, Pamida \$100.46, Reliance Telephone Systems \$292.33, Remmick, Donelda \$18.28, TDS Metrocom \$97.88, Thrifty White \$424.87, VC Public Works \$496.20, Valley Officeworks \$189.88; **INSURANCE RESERVE FUND:** State Fire & Tornado Fund \$-5.28, **COUNTY BRIDGE:** Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson \$655.11;

COUNTY AGENT REVOLVING: NDSU Ag Communication \$5.00, NDSU Extension Pesticide Program \$44.00; **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Nicholson, Duwayne \$199.00, Workforce Safety & Insurance \$218.40; **LOOSESTRIFE WEED:** Bayshore City Side \$79.95, Enterprise Sales \$14.96, S&S Auto Electric \$95.04; **HOMELAND SECURITY:** Mercy Hospital \$1919.95, Nick of Time \$1000.00; **SOIL CONSERVATION:** BC Soil Conservation \$1338.67; **GARRISON DIVERSION DISTRICT:** Garrison Diversion Cons District \$1467.37; **AIRPORT:** BC Municipal Airport \$3168.33; **911 EMERGENCY FUND:** Dakota Central Telecomm \$37.00, Dickey Rural Telephone \$251.00, Inter-community Telephone \$150.00, Qwest \$952.89; **STATE FUNDS:** ND State Treasurer \$15,799.06; **WINTER SHOW:** ND Winter Show \$395.83; **OLDER PERSONS:** South Central Adult Services \$860.09; **AMBULANCE:** BC Ambulance \$578.45; **WATER RESOURCES:** Hurley, Pat \$226.67, Johnson, Don \$21.12, K&S Carpet Cleaners \$56.00, McMillan, Jeff \$76.80, TDS Metrocom \$3.35; **HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** BC Historical Society \$144.38; **LIBRARY:** VC Public Library \$1489.20; **RECORDERS PRESERVATION FUND:** Cass Co Treasurer \$331.50; **CITIES:** Dazey \$121.89, Fingal \$283.26, Kathryn \$67.01, Litchville \$325.08, Nome \$23.37, Oriska \$55.59, Pillsbury \$57.24, Sanborn \$413.82, Sibley \$88.86, Valley City \$73,058.96, Wimbledon \$399.42; **TOWNSHIPS:** Alta \$1458.74, Anderson \$1295.43, Ashtabula \$837.37, Baldwin \$1175.48, Binghampton \$1510.31, Brimer \$1446.59, Cuba \$1485.93, Dazey \$941.78, Eckelson \$1020.60, Edna \$1507.12, Ellsbury \$1430.92, Getchell \$1152.20, Grand Prairie \$1126.21, Green \$1350.21, Greenland \$1046.22, Hemen \$1271.69, Hobart \$1220.86, Laketown \$1051.30, Mansfield \$1379.59, Marsh \$1501.62, Meadow Lake \$1066.38, Minnie Lake \$1415.06, Nelson \$1267.13, Noltimier \$1407.32, Norma \$1619.10, Oakhill \$1135.15, Oriska \$1194.19, Pierce \$1324.77, Potter \$1111.32, Raritan \$1550.57, Rogers \$989.47, Rosebud \$1258.01, Sibley Trail \$892.10, Skandia \$1295.15, Spring Creek \$1143.48, Springvale \$1527.31, Stewart \$1255.19, Svea \$1296.68, Thordenskjold \$1416.48, Uxbridge \$1649.34, Valley \$1909.55, Weimer \$1134.32; **PARK DISTRICTS:** Fingal \$18.92, Kathryn \$3.86, Litchville \$30.11, Nome \$2.01, Sanborn \$16.69, Valley City \$24,715.12; **SCHOOL DISTRICTS:** Enderlin \$2738.82, Griggs Co Central \$130.41, Hope \$2959.95, Litchville-Marion \$4218.74, Maple Valley \$7767.65, Montpelier \$332.87, North Central \$14,798.87, Page \$1132.63, Valley City \$158,911.60, Wimbledon \$8649.79; **RURAL FIRE DISTRICTS:** Dazey \$224.12, Edna \$181.97, Fingal \$207.88, Hope \$263.18, Kathryn \$74.92, Nome \$188.60, Page \$78.30, Sanborn \$902.17, Tower City \$76.62, Wimbledon \$402.80; **UNCLAIMED CHECKS:** Johnson, Eugene/Edith \$99.09, State Land Dept \$174.94; **MARTIN'S LANDING ASMNT FUND:** Barnes Rural Water \$300.67; **SUNSET POINT ASMNT FUND:** Barnes Rural Water \$422.93; **INTEREST FUND:** Barnes Co Treasurer \$18,791.51.

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

Edward R. McGough
Barnes County Auditor

Harlan Opdahl, Chairman
Barnes County Commission