

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session Tuesday, May 5, 2009, with all members present.

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, presented for review and signature an Amendment to the Construction and Maintenance Agreement (with DOT) for Project STM-SC-0221(069), Barnes County, CMC 0221. The project is micro surfacing of 9.607 miles, located 10 miles south of Valley City.

It was the consensus of the Commission that Chairman Berntson sign the Amendment.

Discussion was held on the lack of cooperation among "partners" at Clausen Springs Park during the flooding.

Commissioner Opdahl made a motion, seconded by Froelich, that Clausen Springs Park will be closed until further notice, due to flood damage. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Mr. Johnson updated the Commission on county roads and bridges and damages to temporary repairs. He stated some areas could remain closed for a prolonged period of time.

Neil Tangen of Oakhill Township and Rod Latt, Spring Creek Township, discussed the increased cost of Clausen Springs culvert replacement, from an initial \$16,000.00 to \$31,000.00, for the labor and clay.

It was the consensus of the Board to ask FEMA to look at the site.

Brad Cruff and Betty Koslofsky made a recommendation from the Compensation Committee to increase the grade from 8 to 9 for Bruce Lovell, Highway Department employee, translating to a salary increase from the current \$14.72 to \$15.59 per hour.

Commissioner Weber made a motion, seconded by Froelich, to approve the recommendation to increase Bruce Lovell's grade from 8 to 9, and salary increase from \$14.72 to \$15.59 per hour, effective as of the May payroll. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Chairman Berntson appointed Commissioner Froelich to the Compensation Committee.

Betty Koslofsky, Tax Director, presented a new assessing contract with the City of Dazey.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Schwehr, to sign the contract with the City of Dazey for the tax director's office to perform their assessments at the new cost of \$346.50, compared to the previous cost of \$339.50, due to an increased number of parcels. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Betty Koslofsky, Tax Director, presented an abatement application from Harold and Leone Fick, on 2008 taxes on Parcel 54-0600760, requesting the \$90,100 valuation be reduced to \$73,300.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Berntson, to approve the abatement as recommended by the Tax Director at \$73,300, from \$90,100.00. Upon a roll call vote with Froelich, Berntson, and Schwehr voting "yes," and Weber and Opdahl voting "no," motion carried.

Gene Bjerke, Sheriff, discussed the wrecked sheriff's car and recommended taking the insurance on totaling the car and purchasing back the Tahoe instead of trading it for the Expedition.

Commissioner Weber made a motion, seconded by Froelich, to purchase the Tahoe for approximately \$3,000.00 with the insurance money. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Weber, to approve the minutes of March 17, with a correction. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Weber made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to approve the minutes of the Special Flood Meetings, with corrections. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to approve the minutes for April 7 and 21, with corrections. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to publish the Commission agenda in the official county newspaper the Friday before each regular meeting, via paid announcement, as required by the Valley City Times-Record. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," except Commissioner Berntson, motion carried.

Kim Franklin, EMA, and Deb Kantrud, South Central Dakota Regional Council Director, met with the Commissioner to discuss mitigated home buyouts.

A FEMA representative informed the Commission he is on the emergency phase and he needs to have the emergency bills in by the end of the week, if possible.

Discussion took place on FEMA buyouts. Jim Wyatt, of the Department of Homeland Security, answered questions for those present.

Ellen Bjelland, Extension County Agent, met with the Commission to request out-of-state travel.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Froelich, to approve out-of-state travel for Ellen Bjelland. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Jody Pfaff, Recorder, met with the Commission to discuss her upcoming maternity leave. She requested permission to hire BJ Edwardson to work part-time in the Recorder's Office during her leave.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to allow Ms. Pfaff to hire BJ Edwardson part-time and amend the Recorder's Office budget to cover the cost. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Weber, to allow the Recorder's Office purchase two computers with funding from the Recorder's Preservation Fund. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Paul Diegel and several Kathryn Road residents requested financial assistance on diking projects during the recent flooding. They stated there were five homes affected by a cutout on existing river dikes and requested financial help for permanent dikes to prevent water from backing into the homes that were diked.

Commissioner Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Froelich, to pay time and a half overtime to employees normally exempt but who worked overtime hours during the recent flood emergency, as long as those hours are documented and specific. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

The following bills were approved for the month of April: **General Fund:** Acom Solutions \$314.39, Appliance City \$19.99, Bakkegard & Schell \$3,000.00, BC Highway Dept \$1,323.11, Berntson, Rodger \$262.35, Brothers III \$5.60, Burnette Bomstad Estate \$2,606.12, CH Carpenter Lumber \$8.49, Cardmember Service \$17.35, Carquest \$5.98, Cass Co Electric \$87.45, Central Business Systems \$144.90, Central Dakota Mechanical \$285.00, Cole Papers \$259.54, Dacotah Paper \$26.88, Dakota Industrial Supply \$93.45, Dakota Plains \$48.67, Dolphin Capital \$197.33, Froelich, John \$258.30, G&K Services \$245.83, Goven, Thomas \$127.50, Handy Hardware \$61.90, Harold Rotunda \$4,300.00, High Plains Water \$16.00, ITD \$300.00, Institute of Local Govt \$600.00, Jemco-Maxair \$213.35, Johnson Controls \$1,285.48, Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson \$869.77, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, Litchville Bulletin \$59.51, Matthew Bender Co \$18.30, Meritcare \$45.00, Mid-American Research Chemical \$223.20, Midwest Pest Control \$105.00, MDU \$2,102.21, Moritz Excavating \$300.00, Myhre Law Office \$52.50, ND State Radio Comm \$450.00, State Auditor

\$165.00, Opdahl, Harlan \$410.40, Ottmar & Ottmar \$82.50, Overn Electric \$202.50, Pamida \$7.99, Pearson Electric \$48.90, Postmaster \$42.00, Qwest \$1,964.91, Reserve Acct \$3,000.00, RJs Plumbing & Heating \$775.75, Schwehr, Cindy \$252.90, Servicemaster \$1,668.00, Stein's \$263.58, TDS Metrocom \$235.85, Thrifty White \$5.60, Valley Auto Parts \$75.47, Public Works \$876.81, Times-Record \$1,568.61, Valley Officeworks \$760.47, Valley Service \$387.51, Verizon \$294.76, White Banner Uniform Co \$79.95, Zack's Graphics \$335.00; **City County Health:** Comfort Suites \$110.00, Dakota Carrier \$547.52, Dakota Central \$49.95, Dakota Plains \$76.13, Dex Media East \$24.00, Disaster Mgmt Systems \$69.45, Harvest Publishing \$45.00, Langland, Tamara \$32.40, Leever's \$7.13, Martin, Angie \$725.02, Mercy Hospital \$975.71, Michael, James \$300.75, Qwest \$169.22, Sansio \$600.00, Sheyenne Printers \$25.96, Skalicky, Kasey \$299.30, TDS Metrocom \$74.78, Thomsen, Paula \$60.50, Times-Record \$152.00, Valley Officeworks \$249.24, Wick Investments \$300.00, Will, Theresa \$17.10; **Veterans Service Office:** Barnes Co Hwy Dept \$84.67, Sterling Solutions \$450.00, TDS Metrocom \$8.21; **Social Services:** Alltel \$108.55, Bayley Neurauter, Lisa \$273.15, Berkel Properties \$466.00, Bloom N Crafts \$37.45, Cardmember Service \$153.30, Comfort Inn \$88.00, Compson, Becky \$101.70, Dacotah Foundation/Spring Showcase \$190.00, Esch, Tennille \$90.00, Guertin, Robert \$341.55, Huss, Candice \$55.80, ND Dept of Human Services \$9,194.49, Oye, Sheila \$333.00, Pershing \$291.98, Redwood Toxicology Lab \$45.00, Sheyenne Printers \$57.00, TDS Metrocom \$178.35, Valley Officeworks \$253.00, Verizon \$61.98, Zachrisson, Leslie \$194.00; **County Road & Bridge:** AP Equipment \$191.80, Ace Hardware \$42.99, BC Glass \$609.25, Butler Machinery \$28,111.81, CH Carpenter Lumber \$30.47, Carquest \$148.77, Catco Clutch & Transmission \$266.82, CNH Capital \$490.36, Dakota Industrial Supply \$303.60, Dakota Plains \$12,585.72, Dakota Supply \$7.21, Dickey Rural Telephone \$64.14, Enterprise Sales \$120.00, Fastenal \$127.50, Handy Andy's Upholstery \$2.98, Inst of Local Govt \$100.00, Inter-Community Telephone \$69.63, Jemco \$145.00, Johnston Fargo Culvert \$964.74, Kari's Cleaning \$269.40, Keith's AC, Refrig & Heating \$321.19, L&H Shoe Shop \$60.00, Leever's \$58.45, Little Falls Machine \$2,525.79, Meritcare \$30.00, Mid-States Wireless \$156.50, MDU \$726.76, Ottetail \$1,000.00, Praxair Distribution \$913.06, S&S Auto Electric \$142.31, Sweeney Brothers of Fargo \$726.65, TDS Metrocom \$32.53, The Permit Co \$259.50, The Window Man \$62.00, Valley Auto Parts \$2,013.57, Public Works \$3,393.81, Times-Record \$373.56, Valley Officeworks \$43.44, Valley Radiator & Repair \$215.00, Verizon \$208.39, Vining Oil & Gas \$3,780.46, Wagner, Tina \$19.93, Wallwork Truck Ctr \$216.77; **County Park:** Anderson, Bev \$42.00, Cass Co Electric \$169.65, ND Dept Of Health \$11.77, ND Dept of Health \$16.00; **Weed Control:** Dakota Plains \$17.28, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, McAllister, James \$54.17, Valley Extinguisher \$42.50, Valley Officeworks \$9.87; **Emergency:** Ace Hardware \$164.70, Appliance City Radio Shack \$331.47, Bitz Tire \$152.38, Borg, John \$875.00, Carquest \$43.90, Hav It Industries \$1,500.00, McMillan, Jeff \$399.77, Newman Signs \$14,309.46, Open Door \$609.90, S&S Auto Electric \$79.15, Valley Auto Parts \$92.14, Valley Officeworks \$42.32, 3D Specialties \$2,696.34; **Oasis & Social Security:** Cardmember Service \$3,738.77, CPU \$1,971.36, ITD \$504.00, Meritcare \$45.00, Sheyenne Printers \$13.70, TDS Metrocom \$2.89; **County Agent:** Bjelland, Ellen \$116.35, Central Business Systems \$122.84, Cole Papers \$455.85, Grueneich, Randy \$167.39, NDSU \$152.00, TDS Metrocom \$43.92, Valley Officeworks \$79.09; **Farm to Market 15 Mill:** Huls Bros Trucking \$47,500.00, Kadmas, Lee & Jackson \$11,685.00; **Corrections:** Bakkegard & Schell \$95.00, Bob Barker Co \$295.42, Cable Services \$34.65, Cass Clay Creamery \$458.50, Central Business Systems \$79.47, City County Health District \$336.00, Dakota Industrial Supply \$98.00, Food Services of America \$3,780.33, Galls \$287.37, Grotberg Electric \$45.00, Handy Hardware \$50.83, High Plains Water \$25.00, Inventory Trading Co \$7.49, Leever's \$282.73, Marketplace \$159.85, Meritcare \$329.00, MDU \$700.74, Redwood Toxicology Lab \$6.00, RJs Plumbing & Htg \$354.25, Sand, Gregory \$175.00, Simplex Grinnell \$80.00, Sorenson Construction \$112,847.39, TDS Metrocom \$23.92, Thrifty White \$1,118.35, Public Works \$499.08, Valley Officeworks \$21.19; **Insurance Reserve Fund:** Barnes Co Historical Society \$134.90, Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$234.93, Barnes County Ambulance \$470.74; **County Agent Revolving:** Aldrich, Nancy \$350.00, Anderson, Hallie \$80.00, Anderson, Kelly \$350.00, Anderson, Kristi \$350.00, Anderson, Olivia \$80.00, Andrys, Beth \$350.00, Ashley Supervalu \$57.17, Barnes&Noble \$148.18, Berry, Nicole \$200.00, Bruns, Jeralyn \$40.00, Carlson, Courtney \$20.00, Coleman, Jane \$120.00, Domino's Pizza Inc \$87.54, Edgely Food Center \$64.55, Entzminger, Michelle \$30.00, Greicar, Peg \$821.56, Heyd, Paige \$620.00, Johnson, Kristina \$40.00, Kruger, Elizabeth \$35.00, Lamoure School \$49.44, Lamoure Super Valu \$168.17, Leever's Super Valu \$59.61, Mart, Kari \$470.00, Pizza Hut \$65.30, Roehrich, Britney \$180.00, Sauer, Lindsay \$60.00, Schafer, Katie \$20.00, Staff, Kaytlyn \$20.00, Subway \$133.67, TDS Metrocom \$8.11, Tichy, Amy \$1,121.61, Eagles \$1,451.96, Valley Officeworks \$19.37, Wishek, Hannah \$40.00; **Grants & Projects:** Leever's \$53.51, Nick of Time \$17,250.00; **Corrections Commissary:** Leever's \$141.48, Pamida \$39.36, Pizza Corner \$156.75, Postmaster \$42.00,

Reliance Telephone Systems \$500.00, Wholesale Supply \$148.43; **Soil Conservation:** Barnes Co Soil Conserv. Dist. \$1,703.25; **Garrison Conservancy Dist:** Garrison Diversion Cons Dist \$1,703.60; **Airport:** Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$3,180.37; **Paid under Protest:** Barnes Co Treasurer \$21,719.24; **911 Emergency Fund:** Dakota Central \$35.00, Dickey Rural Telephone \$243.00, Inter-Community Telephone \$150.00, Qwest \$953.30; **State Funds:** ND State Treasurer \$13,739.44; **Winter Show:** ND Winter Show \$4,196.76; **Older Persons:** South Central Adult Services \$2,999.19; **Ambulance:** Barnes County Ambulance \$1,822.22; **Water Resources:** Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, McMillan, Jeff \$23.91; **Historical Society:** Barnes Co Historical Society \$940.70; **Library:** Valley City Public Library \$2,549.79; **Recorders Preservation:** Cass Co Treasurer \$269.00; **Cities:** Dazey \$111.08, Fingal \$197.69, Kathryn \$342.15, Leal \$11.51, Litchville \$121.16, Nome \$38.76, Oriska \$471.38, Rogers \$8.44, Sanborn \$2,806.19, Sibley \$169.29, Tower City \$41.61, Valley City \$116,556.92, Wimbleton \$1,285.32; **Townships:** Alta \$5,041.68, Anderson \$381.98, Ashtabula \$562.26, Baldwin \$143.99, Binghampton \$272.98, Brimer \$236.33, Cuba \$1,222.03, Dazey \$109.08, Eckelson \$631.77, Edna \$307.70, Ellsbury \$199.19, Getchell \$583.48, Grand \$495.62, Green \$1,513.86, Greenland \$212.45, Hemen \$910.53, Hobart \$961.38, Laketown \$11.01, Mansfield \$1,962.25, Marsh \$941.01, Meadow \$55.39, Minnie \$169.36, Nelson \$301.78, Noltimier \$1,068.99, Norma \$.75, Oakhill \$98.86, Oriska \$989.50, Pierce \$303.79, Potter \$390.57, Raritan \$1,891.39, Rogers \$67.95, Rosebud \$58.64, Sibley \$472.66, Skandia \$244.68, Spring \$1,129.73, Springvale \$1,132.48, Stewart \$414.33, Svea \$404.13, Thordenskjold \$107.42, Uxbridge \$269.19, Valley \$2,415.12, Weimer \$144.16; **Park Districts:** Fingal \$10.27, Kathryn \$23.90, Litchville \$16.35, Nome \$3.06, Sanborn \$118.64, Valley City \$22,347.81; **School Districts:** Barnes County North \$41,235.70, Enderlin 24 \$24,220.72, Griggs County \$86.90, Hope \$1,029.48, Litchville-Marion \$23,104.00, Maple Valley \$56,527.49, Montpelier \$133.31, Page \$1,159.77, Valley City \$208,087.19; **Rural Fire Districts:** Dazey \$239.41, Edna \$88.33, Enderlin \$751.96, Fingal \$89.13, Hope \$94.78, Kathryn \$148.94, Nome \$65.68, Page \$30.08, Sanborn \$2,090.84, Tower City \$178.54, Wimbleton \$259.52; **Water Resource Specials:** Stewart Drain li \$400.90; **Sunset Point Water Asmnt :** Ashtabula Township \$1,691.56; **Interest Fund:** Barnes County Treasurer \$13,729.96; **Payroll Fund:** Job Service North Dakota \$2,836.76, State Tax Commissioner \$11,437.10.

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

Edward R. McGough
Barnes County Auditor

Rodger Berntson, Chairman
Barnes County Commission