

Barnes County Commission
Special Meeting
Thursday, May 14, 2009
Valley City, North Dakota

The Barnes County Commission met in special session Thursday, May 14, 2009, with Commissioners Schwehr, Weber, and Berntson present, Opdahl and Froelich absent.

Also attending were Terry Robinson and Michael Hall, North Dakota Army National Guard; John Darabaris, FEMA; Kim Franklin, Emergency Management; and Jon Cameron, Avis Richter, Ken Evenson, and George Dutton, City of Valley City; Nancy Allen, North Dakota Winter Show; Michelle Shafer, Corps of Engineers; and Steve Urness, KOVC Radio.

The meeting was chaired by Terry Robinson of the National Guard. He offered Guard availability whenever needed, especially as a liaison, and asked if there were any concerns.

John Darabaris, FEMA, stated that public assistance will only cover time and equipment when the County uses its own resources for any repairs.

Michelle Shafer, Corps of Engineers, discussed options for assistance available through the Corps.

Nancy Allen, ND Winter Show, asked who to work with regarding Winter Show cleanup.

Concerns about the Woodland Park dikes were expressed. The Corps' position is that if the dikes are left in place, the Corps will not pay for the building materials; if the dikes are removed, the Corps will pay for the removal and the building material costs.

Discussion was held regarding the separation of sand and sandbags to include screening of the recyclable sand.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting was adjourned.

Edward R. McGough
Barnes County Auditor

Rodger Berntson, Chairman
Barnes County Commission