

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session Tuesday, February 2, 2010, with all members present.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to approve the minutes of January 19 as presented. Motion carried.

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, discussed the hospital bridge, mitigation land, and an upcoming engineer conference.

Commissioner Berntson made a motion, seconded by Froelich, to sign a renewal contract with the county's dental insurance carrier, Total Dental Administrators. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to sign a contract with the state Wellness Program. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Jody Pfaff, Recorder, and Wanda Auka, Clerk of Court, met with the Commission to discuss the transfer of duties associated with marriage licensing and passports from the Clerk of Court to the Recorder's office, because of state-mandated software changes in the Clerk's office. After discussion concerning the effects of the move on employees, no action was taken.

Betty Koslofsky, Tax Director, and Kevin Eggermont met with the Commission regarding an abatement request for PCL:41-4220100 to lower valuation from \$268,600.00 to \$245,000.00. Valley Township had recommended approval of the abatement; Ms. Koslofsky recommended denial.

Commissioner Opdahl made a motion, seconded by Weber, to follow the recommendation of Valley Township and lower the valuation on PCL:41-4220100, from \$268,600.00 to \$245,000.00, as requested by Kevin Eggermont. With Commissioners Schwehr, Berntson, and Froelich voting "no," and Weber and Opdahl "yes," motion failed.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to lower the valuation on PCL 41-4220100, for Kevin Eggermont, from \$268,000.00 to \$255,000.00. Upon a roll call vote with Commissioners Berntson and Schwehr voting "no," and Froelich, Opdahl and Weber "yes," motion carried.

Kim Franklin, Emergency Manager, discussed the upcoming emergency training set for February 26, from 8 a.m. to noon. She also presented her list of current LEPC members.

Commissioner Berntson made a motion, seconded by Opdahl, to allow Ms. Franklin to access the county computer system from her home during an emergency. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Brad Cruff, States Attorney, met with the Commission to discuss the community service coordinator position.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Schwehr, to change the Custodian/Maintenance I position from a grade 7 to a grade 6, as recommended by the County compensation committee. Upon a roll call vote with Commissioners Weber, Opdahl, and Berntson voting no, and Froelich and Schwehr voting "yes," motion failed.

John Ertelt, visitor, met with the Commission to request a written definition of fair share taxes. Several county residents were present for the discussion.

Commissioner Froelich presented information he had received from the state Tax Department.

Mary Ann Vig and Randy Grueneich, Extension Agent, reported to the Commission that the grant application for the Courthouse landscaping project had been denied.

Jason Thiel, MIS, updated the Commission regarding the time clock installation, in that the staff is nearly all enrolled and he would complete the related software installation to department heads' computers soon. He suggested all department heads receive training on fair labor standards.

Clair Vigesaa and Scott Handy, representing Cass County Electric, met with the Commission to determine whether there were any concerns in the County. Emergency procedures were discussed, that linemen working on power outages should contact the Sheriff's Office and Kerry Johnson when traveling during a no-travel advisory or in the case of road barricades. They also requested to be added to the Code Red alert system.

Commissioner Schwehr presented a report on the Airport Authority, stating that a flight school had been started with 17 enrolled.

Discussion was held regarding the new zoning coordinator position. Portfolio holders Schwehr and Froelich recommended Greg Hager for the position.

Commissioner Berntson made a motion, seconded by Weber, to offer the job of part-time Zoning Coordinator to Greg Hager, with Jamie Smith and Tina Wagner to stay on the payroll as zoning coordinators until training is completed. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

The following bills were approved for the month of January: **General Fund:** Ace Hardware \$156.37, Acom Solutions \$317.44, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$1,904.51, Barnes Co Housing Authority \$1,900.00, Barnes Co Deputy Sheriff's Assoc \$45.00, Barnes Co Wildlife Federation \$600.00, Berntson, Rodger \$93.50, Bitz Tire & Service \$15.09, Building Systems \$500.00, Cardmember Service \$116.24, Cass Co Electric \$83.55, CDW Govt \$331.38, Central Business Systems \$646.56, Dakota Plains \$134.84, Dolphin Capital \$197.33, East Central Co Commissioners Assn \$100.00, Fallon Kelly \$64.90, Franklin, Kimberly \$107.80, Froelich, John \$69.30, G&K Services \$263.89, Goven, Thomas \$75.00, Grossman, Lee \$214.50, Handy Hardware \$144.27, Healthcare Environmental Services \$116.00, High Plains Water \$8.00, ITD \$300.00, Johnson Controls \$257.91, Kadmas, Lee & Jackson \$698.81, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, Kinney, Royce & Kaneia \$2,841.06, Koch-Scherr, Jodie \$232.50, Kohn Electric \$45.00, Krassin Law Office \$287.26, Litchville Bulletin \$76.01, Matthew Bender Co \$726.92, McKay, William \$74.80, Mercy Hospital \$246.00, Meritcare \$90.00, Midwest Pest Control \$105.00, MDU \$2,783.73, Myhre Law Office \$617.10, ND Assn of County Engineers \$420.00, ND County Auditors Assn \$75.00, ND State Radio \$491.76, Northwest Iron Fireman \$300.00, Olson, Eloise \$44.31, Opdahl, Harlan \$368.50, Overn Electric \$247.50, Pitney Bowes \$846.00, Puntun Jr, Alex \$33.00, Qwest \$1,960.05, RJs Plumbing & Heating \$58.48, Roorda, Vernon \$132.00, Secretary of State \$1,512.09, Secure Software \$1,500.00, Servicemaster \$1,200.00, Smith, Jamie \$132.00, Stein's \$270.72, Stevens, James \$66.00, Stoudt-Ross Ford \$87.23, TDS Metrocom \$217.08, Thrifty White \$3.13, Truck & Auto \$20.00, Valley Auto Parts \$18.88, Public Works \$1,020.52, Times-Record \$504.94, Valley Officeworks \$892.59, Valley Service \$291.80, Verizon \$300.51, **City County Health:** Barnes Co Treasurer \$321.28, Bitz Tire & Service \$472.35, Central Valley Health \$1,285.00, City County Health \$39.05, Corwin, Lori \$42.90, Dakota Carrier Network \$547.52, Dakota Central \$49.95, Dakota Plains \$162.75, Dash Medical Gloves \$286.30, Dex Media East \$32.95, Hansen, Sarah \$14.85, Henry Schein Inc \$387.90, Ingstad Family Media \$800.00, Langland, Tamara \$31.90, Martin, Angie \$69.90, Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp \$584.78, Mercy Hospital \$1,034.61, Moore Medical \$3,604.05, Motivators Promotional Products \$673.00, ND Assn for Home Care \$500.00, Qwest \$166.81, Sanofi Pasteur \$81.41, Sansio \$600.00, Scantron \$315.00, Sheyenne Printers \$83.00, Skalicky, Kasey \$79.20, TDS Metrocom \$42.66, Thompson, Laurel \$11.55, Thomsen, Paula \$280.38, Thrifty White \$299.85, Two Rivers Printing \$191.51, Times-Record \$209.76, Valley Drug \$88.23, Valley Officeworks \$171.99, Viland, Beth \$259.59, Visionshare \$1,200.00, Wick Investments \$300.00, Will, Theresa \$281.01, Wyeth \$822.17; **Veterans Service Office:** Barnes Co Highway Dept \$102.50, Country Inn & Suites \$189.00, TDS Metrocom \$20.11, Verwey, James \$87.50; **Social Services:** Brothers III \$143.52, Cardmember Service \$1,703.84, Central Avenue Pharmacy \$60.44, Farmers Union Oil Co \$118.00, Meritcare \$90.00, Ottetail \$300.00, Pershing \$306.73, Redwood Biotech \$175.00, Sheyenne Printers \$399.21, Southeast Propane \$182.00, TDS Metrocom \$161.25, Verizon \$60.33, Young People's Healthy Heart Program \$125.00; **County Road & Bridge:** AP Equipment \$546.35, Advance Garage Door \$827.00, Buffalo City Diesel \$152.78, Butler \$2,183.26, Carquest \$859.54, Catco Clutch & Transmission \$266.14, Chemsearch \$173.46, Clement Communications \$318.76, Custom Tarps & Filters \$307.71, Dakota Plains \$2,907.67, Dick's Sewer Service \$200.00, Dickey

Rural Telephone \$64.70, Enterprise Sales \$463.72, Fastenal \$357.36, Grotberg Electric \$25.58, Handy Hardware \$153.06, Inter-Community Telephone \$70.05, Johnson, Kerry \$15.00, Kari's Cleaning \$278.80, Little Falls Machine \$139.61, Marshall Repair \$2,098.63, Mercy Hospital \$110.00, Meritcare \$120.00, Mid-States Wireless \$53.60, Miller Motors \$123.67, MDU \$422.85, Open Door Center \$20.00, Pamida \$68.42, Powerplan \$50.18, Praxair \$953.82, Quality Alignment & Brake Center \$143.40, S&S Auto Electric \$165.38, Safety 1st \$60.00, Sheyenne Printers \$11.39, TDS Metrocom \$32.88, The Window Man \$70.00, Valley Auto Parts \$4,543.52, Public Works \$2,614.80, Times-Record \$18.48, Valley Officeworks \$202.77, Valley Radiator & Repair \$525.20, Verizon \$102.14, Vining Oil & Gas \$3,290.12, Wallwork Truck Center \$24.07, Wells Fargo Financial Leasing \$2,089.08, Western Sand & Gravel \$615.00; **County Park:** Barnes Co Treasurer \$1,704.32, Brown-Wilbert \$992.00, Cass Co Electric \$408.04, RJs Plumbing & Heating \$99.16; **Weed Control:** Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, **Emergency:** Ashtabula Twp \$47.00, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$10,826.97, Binghampton \$2,263.99, Brimer \$329.00, Cuba \$18,279.61, Edna \$2,707.20, Ellsbury \$1,142.81, Grand Prairie \$1,219.18, Greenland \$7,058.91, Hobart \$21,473.28, Mansfield \$11,586.34, Meadow Lake \$17,254.64, Minnie Lake \$49,051.22, Nelson \$1,509.96, Norma \$2,403.11, Oriska \$35,478.62, Potter \$5,112.90, Raritan \$6,197.69, Rosebud \$8,170.67, Sibley Trail \$1,882.35, Skandia \$37,855.46, Spring Creek \$11,027.08, Springvale \$2,250.64, Svea \$26,112.73, Thordenskjold \$12,266.77, Uxbridge \$6,715.27; **Advertising:** Allard Trophy \$245.50, Bloom N Crafts \$168.00, Leever's \$73.96, Pamida \$21.85, Sheyenne Printers \$19.50, Valley City Eagles \$1,503.01; **Oasis & Social Security:** Cardmember Service \$3,432.89, Computer Software Assn \$3,120.00, ITD \$518.20, Kohn Electric \$194.04, Overn Electric \$462.00, TDS \$2.50, Thiel, Jason \$37.29; **County Agent:** Bjelland, Ellen \$36.11, Central Business Systems \$125.83, Grueneich, Randy \$71.63, ND Newspaper Assoc \$220.50, Postmaster \$275.00, TDS \$40.56, Times-Record \$93.00, Valley Officeworks \$37.56; **Farm to Market 15 Mill:** Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson \$5,362.35; **BC Economic Dev Fund:** VC-BC Development Corp \$15,733.00; **Disaster:** Valley Officeworks \$373.49; **Correctional Center:** Ace Hardware \$22.99, Bakkegard & Schell \$46.95, Cable Services \$69.82, Cass Clay \$428.00, Central Business Systems \$50.97, City County Health \$904.00, Dakota Industrial Supply \$139.00, Fingerprint Equipment Labs \$230.50, Food Services of America \$1,008.95, Galls Inc \$325.08, Grotberg Electric \$169.85, High Plains Water \$18.75, Leever's \$177.56, Marketplace \$140.49, Mercy Hospital \$188.00, MDU \$927.91, Pamida \$39.05, RJs Plumbing & Heating \$113.23, Simplex Grinnell \$287.25, TDS Metrocom \$19.70, The Forum \$220.00, Thrifty White \$661.24, Public Works \$563.77, Valley Officeworks \$244.48; **County Agent Revolving:** Leever's \$11.18, NDSU Dept 3110 \$294.00, NDSU Extension \$120.00, TDS \$16.51, Tichy, Amy \$611.32, Valley Officeworks \$37.96, Young People's Healthy Heart \$125.00; **Corrections Commissary:** Leever's \$143.64, Pamida \$18.36, Pizza Corner \$113.50, Reliance Telephone \$500.00, Wholesale Supply \$154.59; **Soil Conservation:** Barnes Co Soil Cons Dist \$13,970.25; **Garrison Conservancy Dist:** Garrison Diversion Cons Dist \$13,970.63; **Airport:** Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$21,635.22; **911 Emergency:** Dakota Central \$29.00, Dickey Rural Telephone \$243.00, Inter-Community Telephone \$150.00, Qwest \$953.08; **State Funds:** ND State Treasurer \$23,294.32; **Winter Show:** ND Winter Show \$33,142.75; **Older Persons:** South Central Adult Services \$27,939.76; **Ambulance:** Barnes Co Ambulance \$13,362.37; **Water Resource:** Dimmer, Neal \$110.50, Enger Grain & Livestock \$161.50, Enger, Justin \$238.00, Hurley, Patrick \$79.30, Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson \$430.56, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, McMillan, Jeffrey \$44.00, ND Water Resource Districts Assn \$475.00, Postmaster \$44.00, Ramkota \$126.00; **Historical Society:** Barnes Co Historical Society \$9,860.90; **Library:** Valley City Public Library \$22,197.12; **Cities:** Dazey \$1,903.64, Fingal \$1,173.80, Kathryn \$708.97, Leal \$1,853.26, Litchville \$2,013.00, Nome \$480.44, Oriska \$546.29, Pillsbury \$1,360.78, Rogers \$839.80, Sanborn \$3,005.58, Sibley \$615.02, Tower City \$211.79, Valley City \$419,771.14, Wimbledon \$7,045.29; **Townships:** Alta \$9,690.82, Anderson \$5,409.11, Ashtabula \$5,044.86, Baldwin \$1,368.41, Binghampton \$3,204.05, Brimer \$8,537.91, Cuba \$5,615.14, Dazey \$5,259.57, Eckelson \$6,276.41, Edna \$5,108.43, Ellsbury \$2,904.02, Getchell \$7,578.46, Grand \$1,586.65, Green \$5,879.37, Greenland \$11,209.53, Hemen \$8,155.31, Hobart \$5,326.23, Laketown \$7,132.00, Mansfield \$4,692.80, Marsh \$5,663.51, Meadow \$7,681.44, Minnie \$9,394.33, Nelson \$3,953.72, Noltimier \$2,220.61, Norma \$3,606.52, Oakhill \$3,422.77, Oriska \$4,140.61, Pierce \$3,914.27, Potter \$5,518.01, Raritan \$2,978.98, Rogers \$7,299.26, Rosebud \$4,536.16, Sibley \$3,689.78, Skandia \$6,537.19, Spring \$4,963.86, Springvale \$9,044.21, Stewart \$4,491.74, Svea \$6,828.19, Thordenskjold \$5,774.93, Uxbridge \$5,685.37, Valley \$13,000.61, Weimer \$9,561.19; **Park Districts:** Fingal \$95.68, Kathryn \$53.89, Litchville \$272.99, Nome \$34.40, Sanborn \$185.44, Tower City \$83.63, Valley City \$119,506.07; **School Districts:** Barnes County North \$380,280.82, Enderlin \$43,565.95, Griggs Co Central \$7,177.67, Hope \$36,981.49, Litchville-Marion \$190,285.40, Maple Valley \$207,892.38, Montpelier \$16,791.02, Page \$26,490.00, Valley City \$858,432.09; **Rural Fire Districts:** Dazey \$5,338.27, Edna \$1,560.93, Enderlin \$151.61, Fingal

\$1,706.22, Hope \$2,868.08, Kathryn \$2,796.30, Nome \$1,824.56, Page \$1,165.94, Sanborn \$16,152.12, Tower City \$1,179.45, Wimbledon \$2,807.31; **Water Resource Specials:** Stewart Drain II \$3,520.22; **Mielke Subdivision Water:** Barnes Rural Water \$534.98; **Interest Fund:** Barnes Co Treasurer \$6,175.48; **Payroll Fund:** IRS Center \$888.32, Job Service ND \$2,932.57, State Tax Commissioner \$11,510.00.

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

Cindy Schwehr, Chairperson
Barnes County Commission