

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 with Vicky Lovell, Bill Carlbom, John Froelich, and Shawn Olauson present. Cindy Schwehr was unable to attend. Chairman Carlbom called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Agenda was reviewed.

**Planning & Zoning - Variances**

Jessica Jenrich, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented an application for a Variance – Setback 149' from center of road from Justin G Mueller (Dazey Township, SW 15-143-59). John Froelich moved to approve the application; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Ms. Jenrich presented an application for a Variance – Trees 80' from center of County Road #10 from Allen Marler (Rogers Township, NW ¼ 4-141-59). Bill Carlbom moved to deny the application; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

**Backing the Badge – Got Your 6K Run/Walk**

Sarah Miller, representing Sheyenne Valley Backing the Badge, requested permission to use the Courthouse grounds for registration, start and finish of the SVBTB Got 6K Run/Walk on Saturday, September 21, 2019. The Commission was supportive of the event being held on the Courthouse grounds at 7 pm on Saturday.

**Highway Dept – Certification of Local Match / New Truck**

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, asked for a signature on the lease agreement for the new truck at a total cost of \$227,000, and presented the Final Certification of Local Match for the Urbana Grade Raises done a few years back for signature. John Froelich moved to authorize Bill Carlbom sign the invoice to Nelson International and any other documents related to the purchase/lease of the 2020 International Dump Truck; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Ditch mowing must be done by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Johnson expressed concerns over talk that many farmers are planning to leave their corn in the field until next spring, which could cause snowdrift problems.

**Auditor – Minutes / Recycling Payment**

Vicky Lovell moved to approve the September 3, 2019 minutes; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Commission discussed the State's Attorney's opinion regarding the Recycling funding request and indicated their desire to further a public purpose of recycling. Mr. Carlbom will follow up with the Development Corporation.

**Commission Discussion**

Other discussion included Jail Committee, 10-Mile Lake, Library update, and budget. The public budget hearing will be tonight at 6:00 p.m.

With no further business, John Froelich made a motion, seconded by Vicky Lovell, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Bill Carlbom, Chairman  
Barnes County Commission

Beth M Didier  
Barnes County Auditor