

Barnes County Municipal Airport Authority Special Meeting
May 29, 8:30 am at the Barnes County Courthouse

Member present: Denny Helland, Larry Welken, Rick Anderson, Don Kosse, Shawn Anderson, Steve Nielson, Mike Lerud. Officials present: Commissioner John Froelich, States Attorney Lee Grossman

Chairman Dennis Helland called the Special Meeting to order at 8:30 am.

He called on States Attorney Grossman to discuss the letter received by the board regarding the ND Department Labor complaint against the BCMAA. States Attorney Grossman made the following points:

1. Board has two options according to Department of Labor: mediation or investigation
2. Recommend going into mediation- one of the benefits is that it is confidential and you can terminate proceedings at anytime
3. Recommend that Board contact Tricia Gereszek by phone or email to let her know you intend to enter into mediation and ask how to do it other than sending in letter
4. Suggest the Board hire a lawyer that specializes in these cases
5. Suggested at regular meeting on Monday to make the motion to hire someone and designate one or two members to find a lawyer before the meeting so they can make a recommendation
6. Call State Office and get started on mediation or ask for an extension

Members had many questions on the process.

A motion was made to consult an attorney before making a decision on options by Monday, June 3rd. Steve N. and Denny H. volunteered to research attorneys. Don K. seconded, carried.

States Attorney Lee Grossman pointed out on the complaint that the physical address of the Authority is the same as Lori Jury's home address and the contact number was Mike Lerud's cell phone. Steve N. reported calling the Department of Labor and Lori Jury had noticed the mistake and called to change it.

Shawn Anderson made the motion to adjourn. Don Kosse seconded. Motion carried.

Steve Nielson, acting secretary