The Barnes County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 with Cindy Schwehr, Vicky Lovell, Bill Carlblom, Pete Paulson, and Shawn Olauson present. Chairman Carlblom called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Agenda was reviewed.

## Abatement Request – Arlen Huber and Rebecca Huber

Arlen Huber and Rebecca Huber requested abatement of taxes for years 2021 on parcels #05-1330310, 05-1320210 and 05-1330300.Tax Director Stacie Hansen-Leier provided background information. Binghampton Township recommended approval of the application, as presented. Pete Paulson moved to approve the request for abatement, according to the figures recommended by the Tax Director: parcel #05-1320210 to be reduced from \$52,00 to \$43,700; #05-1330310 to be reduced from \$62.400 to \$52,800; and 05-1330300 to be reduced from \$62.700 to \$57,500; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

# VC-BC Development Corporation – Request to Retain Funds

Jennifer Feist, Valley City – Barnes County Development Corporation Director of Development, presented a request to retain \$50,000 of dedicated economic development funds, which were previously provided as a grant by the Barnes County Commission to secure the location of Case Corporation in 1995 and invest funds in a new 12,000 sq. ft. building. This is not a request for new funds. Bill Carlblom moved to approve the request; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with Cindy Schwehr voting "no".

# Auditor – Minutes / Special Permit Application / Covid Policy

Vicky Lovell moved to approve the August 17, 2021 minutes; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Cindy Schwehr moved to approve an Application for Special Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages at a Special Event at Designated Premises from The Labor Club for an event at Riverbend Farm on October 2, 2021; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Cindy Schwehr moved that employees use sick leave (or vacation, if the employee is out of sick leave) for illness, including COVID; Bill Carlblom seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

# Commission Discussion / Masking Recommendation

Commission discussion included portfolio updates. Cindy Schwehr moved that the County Commission strongly recommends masking on County property when adequate social distancing is not attainable; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". The Commission discussed NDIRF Agent options and the possibility of opening it up to other agents.

## Bills Approved for August 2021

General Fund: Ace Hardware \$48.17, Aflac \$2,925.18, Aflac Group Insurance \$48.45, Altel - Alternative Telecom Inc \$5,705.50, Andrew S Marquart \$396.00, Appliance City \$227.00, Bakkegard & Schell \$465.35, Barnes Rural Water \$122.31, Bayshore City Side \$41.47, Bek Communications Cooperative \$260.83, Bitz Tire & Service, Inc. \$192.56, Boulger Funeral Home \$450.00, Butler Machinery Co. \$1,117.00, Cable Services \$98.77, Cardmember Service \$9,135.82, Carlblom, Taylor \$35.00, Carlblom, William \$26.32, Cash-Wa Distributing Co Of Fargo L \$2,889.53, Cass County Electric \$58.08, Central Business Systems \$102.53, Centurylink Az \$1,097.70, Chs Dakota Plains Ag \$4.99, Cintas Corporation \$204.78, City County Health District \$6,052.50, City Of Wahpeton \$300.00, Cole Papers Inc. \$1,001.69, Colonial Life Insurance \$212.86, Columbus Bank And Trust \$2,357.00, Counties Providing Technology \$1,976.53, Cts Language Link \$38.59, Curt's Lock & Key Service, Inc \$336.50, Dacotah Bank \$671.05, Dacotah Paper Co. \$100.96, Dakota Business Solutions Inc \$980.99, Dakota Central Telecommunications \$21.00, Delta Dental Of Minnesota \$2,796.43, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop. \$342.76, Didier, Beth M \$62.00, Duffy, Tonya \$519.60, Esch, Mike \$10.00, Galls Incorporated \$389.94, Guardian Fleet Safety Llc \$158.85, Handy Hardware & Rental \$763.33, Hansen-Leier, Stacie \$249.06, Heritage Electric \$136.13, Hr Collaborative \$50.00, Information Technology Department \$5,709.66, Inter-Community Telephone \$150.00, James-Valley Reg. Lodge #4 \$115.51, Knight, Matthew \$25.00, Knight, Michael \$25.00, Kohn Electric \$3,115.56, Lanelle's Reporting Service \$876.00, Leaf \$213.33, Leevers Foods \$196.34, Legge's Portable Milling \$400.00, Lexipol Llc \$792.00, Litchville Bulletin \$188.87, Lovell, Victoria \$140.72, Marco \$936.71, Mid-States Wireless, Inc. \$1,036.00, Midwest Pest Control \$110.00, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$586.64, Motorola Solutions Inc \$12,132.30, Nd Association Of Counties \$2,425.05, Nd Attorney General \$1,375.00, Nd Correctional Health Care Assn \$100.00, Nd Department Of Transportation \$23.00, Nd State's Attorney Assn \$450.00, Nechiporenko, Katie \$472.40, Neuberger, Holly \$186.20, Northwest Iron Fireman, Inc. \$142.66, O'reilly Auto Parts \$18.97, Petro Serve Usa \$3,354.25, Pharmchem Inc \$314.05, Puklich Chevrolet Buick Gmc \$72.20, Quality Inn - Bismarck \$86.40, Ramada Bismarck Hotel \$259.20, Record Keepers, Llc \$81.00, Ri's Plumbing & Heating \$2,268.82, Roorda, Elizabeth \$35.00, S&S Auto Electric \$244.40, Schwehr, Cindy L \$86.96, Securus Monitoring Solutions \$33.75, Servicemaster Of Valley City \$1,630.00, Smith Lumber Company \$64.35, State Disbursement Unit - North Da \$240.00, Stutsman County Correctional Cente \$12,075.00, Superior Vision Services Inc \$690.90, Thiel, Jason \$146.23, Thomson Reuters -West \$148.84, Titan Data Safe Llc \$7,507.45, Valley Barber Service \$98.00, Valley City Public Works \$256.00, Valley City Times-Record \$696.96, Valley Flooring \$24.82, Valley Lumber Company \$415.09, Valley Mortuary Services \$300.00, Valley Officeworks \$1,591.13, Vault1440 Llc \$1,950.00, Verizon

Wireless \$155.10, Vining Oil & Gas Llc \$1,119.14, Waste Management Of North Dakota I \$366.09, Wells Fargo Bank \$548.32, Total For Fund \$113,983.48, City County Health: Ability Network Inc \$4,802.49, Aed Everywhere \$5,812.05, Aflac \$810.65, Aflac Group Insurance \$85.85, Bakkegard & Schell \$582.85, Barnes Co Corrections \$344.00, Beyer, Katie \$11.45, Bjornson, Shirley \$159.13, Bostrom, Kay \$127.30, Buhr, Sharon \$40.49, Butler Machinery Co. \$636.00, Cardmember Service \$5,970.29, Chs Dakota Plains Ag \$57.00, City County Health District \$1,816.00, Colonial Life Insurance \$13.69, Columbus Bank And Trust \$1,036.66, Delta Dental Of Minnesota \$742.60, Dex Media East Llc \$33.50, Edward Jones - (Kevin) \$100.00, First Community Credit Union -Vc \$5,979.49, Glaxosmithkline Pharm \$5,233.40, Handy Hardware & Rental \$919.95, Integrity Painting \$1,250.00, I3g Media \$915.00, Johnson, Tiffany \$1,167.07, Koepplin, Bobby \$16.80, Lamoure County Health Department \$1,600.00, Langland, Tamara \$26.88, Lavelle Flooring Inc \$961.06, Leaf \$88.16, Leevers Foods \$99.07, Mcintosh District Health Unit \$650.00, Mckesson Medical-Surgical Mn Suppl \$30.77, Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp \$147.39, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$132.72, Northern Sky Property, Llc \$1,250.00, Oien, Diane \$230.18, Olson, Elizabeth \$122.50, Ray Nelson Construction \$984.52, Sanofi Pasteur, Inc. \$340.56, Servicemaster Of Valley City \$1,437.05, Smith Lumber Company \$8.84, Stryker Corporation \$720.67, Superior Vision Services Inc \$224.70, Swanson, Hayden \$167.20, Swiontek, Dale \$70.00, Thielges Therapy Inc \$4,035.00, Valley City Public Works \$1,357.96, Valley City Times-Record \$270.00, Valley Flooring \$703.10, Valley Lumber Company \$13.90, Valley Officeworks \$518.85, Verizon Wireless \$320.08, Will, Theresa \$43.68, Winter, Andrea \$145.50, Total For Fund \$55,364.05, Veterans Service Office: Delta Dental Of Minnesota \$170.05, Petro Serve Usa \$295.59, Superior Vision Services Inc \$28.90, Verizon Wireless \$114.06, Total For Fund \$608.60, County Road And Bridge: Aflac \$788.88, Aflac Group Insurance \$78.85, Berts Truck Equipment \$115.51, Bitz Tire & Service, Inc. \$793.71, Butler Machinery Co. \$3,244.56, Centurylink Az \$60.41, Chs Dakota Plains Ag \$23,975.39, Cna Surety \$50.00, Colonial Life Insurance \$94.34, Columbus Bank And Trust \$733.00, Dakota Industrial Supply \$166.00, Delta Dental Of Minnesota \$452.25, Dickey Rural Telephone Coop. \$47.15, Dmc Wear Parts Llc \$273.80, Gille Auto \$500.00, Grotberg Electric, Inc. \$1,103.04, Miller Motors Inc \$3,973.54, Montana-Dakota Utilities \$63.90, Nelson International, Inc. \$328.02, Northwest Tire Inc. \$1,968.84, One Call Concepts, Inc \$15.60, Ottertail Power Company - Jamestow \$141.50, Paradox One \$2,900.00, Puklich Chevrolet Buick Gmc \$106.61, R & H Maintenance & Lawn Care \$640.00, S&S Auto Electric \$19.73, Sanford Health Occupation Medicine \$49.00, State Disbursement Unit - North Da \$981.00, Superior Vision Services Inc \$46.00, Swanston Equipment Co. \$35.51, The Window Man \$89.00, Tom Gilbertson & Sons \$7,000.50, Truenorth Steel \$37,913.01, Valley Auto Parts \$1,333.93, Valley City Public Works \$702.06, Valley Plains Equipment \$200.21, Verizon Wireless \$97.22, Vining Oil & Gas Llc \$4,307.32, Total For Fund \$95,238.39, Weed Control: Aflac \$149.93, Barnes Co Highway Dept \$629.82, Bitz Tire & Service, Inc. \$39.82, Delta Dental Of Minnesota \$36.37, Nutrien Ag Solutions Inc \$29,220.00, Stoudt-Ross Ford, Inc. \$175.46, Valley City Public Works \$109.34, Verizon Wireless \$200.05, Windish, Jamen \$50.00, Total For Fund \$30,610.79, County Agent: Bc Soybean & Corn Variety Trials \$204.00, Central Business Systems \$307.97, Grueneich, Randy \$512.72, Jacobson, Tammy J. \$100.00, Milender, Sue \$603.59, Ndsu Extension Service \$21,926.82, Tichy, Amy J \$100.00, Valley Officeworks \$254.74, Total For Fund \$24,009.84, B.C. Emergency Hcpra: Aramsco Inc \$3,054.96, Total For Fund \$3,054.96, Farm To Market 15 Mill: Bear Creek Gravel Llc \$59,628.00, Flint Hills Resources, Lp \$78,678.75, Gravel Ranch, Llc \$24,845.00, Lakeside Construction \$1,918.56, Nd Dept Of Transportation \$28,684.30, Ottertail Power Company - Jamestow \$65.22, Star Enterprises, Inc \$6,498.00, Total For Fund \$200,317.83, B.C. Economic Dev Fund: Vc-Bc Development Corporation \$5,000.00, Total For Fund \$5,000.00, County Bridge: Nd Dept Of Transportation \$27,371.30, Total For Fund \$27,371.30, County Agent Revolving: Valley City Park District \$50.00, Total For Fund \$50.00, Community Service: Verizon Wireless \$42.59, Total For Fund \$42.59, Grants And Projects: Aman, Betty \$150.00, Birkland, Jan \$185.00, Bjorum, Barbara \$360.00, Comfort Inn - Bismarck \$432.00, Keller, Constance \$150.00, Keller, Lori L \$307.50, Knox, Laura \$360.00, Lyman, Steve \$185.00, Peterson, Travis \$150.00, Roehrich, Lori \$150.00, Schroeder, Kellie \$400.04, Schulz, Joyce \$267.60, Swenson, Allison \$300.08, Tichy, Amy J \$48.28, Tichy, Emma \$188.44, Wienckowski, Denise \$409.00, Yoder, Janette \$150.00, Zent, Julie \$150.00, Total For Fund \$4,342.94, Corrections Commissary Fu: Barnes Co Corrections \$5,000.00, Leevers Foods \$192.65, 701 Apparel Llc \$297.75, Total For Fund \$5,490.40, Soil Conservation: Barnes Co Soil Conserv. Dist. \$1,179.73, Total For Fund \$1,179.73, Flood Emergency 2011: Edna Township \$9,260.75, Meadow Lake Township \$5,179.48, Total For Fund \$14,440.23, Garrison Conservancy Dist: Garrison Diversion Cons Dist \$1,466.60, Total For Fund \$1,466.60, Airport: Barnes Co Municipal Airport \$603.58, Total For Fund \$603.58, State Funds: Nd State Treasurer \$6,763.56, Total For Fund \$6,763.56, Older Persons: South Central Adult Services \$458.60, Total For Fund \$458.60, Ambulance: Barnes County Ambulance \$229.23, Total For Fund \$229.23, Water Resources: Aflac \$36.75, Columbus Bank And Trust \$50.00, Fehr, Bret \$135.52, Griggs County Water Resource Distr \$2,740.19, Hieb, Jerry \$70.56, Ohnstad Twichell, P.C. \$3,802.15, Valley Officeworks \$150.40, Veit & Company \$2,418.00, Total For Fund \$9,403.57, Historical Society: Barnes Co Historical Society \$172.06, Total For Fund \$172.06, Library: Valley City Public Library \$361.39, Total For Fund \$361.39, Recorders Preservation Fu: Pfaff, Jody \$161.28, Valley Officeworks \$1,205.09, Total For Fund \$1,366.37, Cities: Dazey \$269.30, Fingal \$80.28, Litchville \$407.77, Nome \$88.56, Sibley \$231.84, Valley City \$7,156.45, Wimbledon \$288.43, Total For Fund \$8,522.63, Townships: Alta \$2,960.59, Anderson \$1,664.23, Ashtabula \$1,551.18, Baldwin \$1,413.57, Binghampton \$2,105.14, Brimer \$2,052.27, Cuba \$1,970.74, Dazey \$1,563.58, Eckelson \$1,330.12, Edna \$1,983.92, Ellsbury \$1,793.23, Getchell \$1,867.44, Grand \$1,936.00, Green \$2,326.87, Greenland \$1,541.80, Hemen \$1,841.65, Hobart \$1,934.05, Laketown \$1,546.35, Mansfield \$1,224.82, Marsh \$1,991.48, Meadow \$1,820.96, Minnie \$1,863.95, Nelson \$1,969.94, Noltimier \$2,078.68, Norma \$3,020.09, Oakhill \$1,449.95, Oriska \$1,901.00, Pierce \$1,685.70, Potter \$1,491.82, Raritan \$2,018.76, Rogers \$2,031.44, Rosebud \$1,934.51, Sibley \$1,563.96, Skandia \$1,876.01, Spring \$1,927.87, Springvale \$2,330.81, Stewart \$1,949.62, Svea \$1,793.91,

Thordenskjold \$1,939.19, Uxbridge \$2,344.32, Valley \$3,621.62, Weimer \$1,611.99, \$80,825.13, **Park Districts:** Fingal \$7.29, Litchville \$21.44, Nome \$5.39, Valley City \$2,498.49, Total For Fund \$2,532.61, **School Districts:** Barnes County North \$4,318.76, Enderlin Area Sd 24 \$98.37, Griggs County Centra \$455.65, Litchville-Marion \$474.69, Maple Valley \$6,701.00, Valley City \$7,478.18, \$19,526.65, **Rural Fire Districts:** Dazey \$462.88, Edna \$106.37, Enderlin \$16.15, Fingal \$266.49, Hope \$238.53, Kathryn \$35.87, Nome \$136.02, Page \$77.01, Sanborn \$898.64, Tower City \$173.08, Valley City Rural Fire Protection \$219.75, Wimbledon \$381.70, Total For Fund \$3,012.49, **Unclaimed Checks Fund:** State Land Department \$129.82, Total For Fund \$129.82, **Thordenskjold Drain:** Thordenskjold Drain \$697.23, Total For Fund \$697.23, Total Warrants \$717,176.65

With no further business, Vicky Lovell made a motion, seconded by Shawn Olauson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

Bill Carlblom, Chairman Barnes County Commission

Beth M Didier Barnes County Auditor