

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 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., roll-call was taken, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Agenda was reviewed, with the addition of an item from the Highway Department.

Planning & Zoning – Variance / Memorandum of Understanding

Jessica Jenrich, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented an application for a Variance – Set back 10' from the South property line from Josh D Lagein (Ashtabula Township, SE ¼ 16-142-58). Cindy Schwehr moved to approve the application; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Cindy Schwehr moved to approve signing the updated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Barnes County and City of Valley City Regarding Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction for Zoning, Platting and Subdivision Regulation, contingent upon the State's Attorney's approval; Pete Paulson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

VC-BC Development Corporation – Request for Funds

Jennifer Feist, Valley City – Barnes County Development Corporation Director of Development, and Kay Vinje, Valley City Chamber of Commerce, requested approval of \$5,000 to support the Chamber of Commerce, funded through the Barnes County mill levy fund dedicated to economic development. Cindy Schwehr moved to approve the request; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

H & G Holdings, LLC – Tax Incentive Application

Bruce Hoyt and Jennifer Feist requested County Commission support for an Application for Property Tax Incentives for New or Expanding Businesses for a payment in lieu of taxes from Hoyt & Gaukler Holdings at the hearing at the Valley City commission meeting later today. Shawn Olauson moved to write a letter of support for the application; Cindy Schwehr seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

Courthouse Office Space

Buffalo Bridges Human Service Zone Director Mandi Freije and Wanda Larson visited with the Commission regarding Social Services space needs. No action was taken.

Auditor – Minutes / Local Permit / Special Permit

Shawn Olauson moved to approve the August 2, 2022 minutes and August 9, 2022 Special Budget Meeting minutes; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Cindy Schwehr moved to approve an Application for a Local Permit from Sodbuster Club Inc; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". Vicky Lovell moved to approve an Application for Special Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages at a Special Event at Designated Premises from J & L's Bar & Grill for the Dakota Riders Hillclimb on August 27, 2022; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes".

Veterans Service – Van Replacement

Angela Hunt, Veterans Service Officer, and Tammy Jacobson, VSO Administrative Assistant; requested permission to order a new van when it becomes available. Bill Carlblom moved to approve the request; Pete Paulson seconded the motion. Motion failed upon roll-call vote, with Cindy Schwehr, Vicky Lovell and Shawn Olauson voting "no". The Commission asked Ms. Hunt to investigate more options.

Treasurer – Cancel Outstanding Checks

Debbie Magnuson, Treasurer, presented a list of checks to be cancelled, per North Dakota Century Code §11-25-05: Check #144754 dated 9/1/2020 payable to John & Lavetta Anderson in the amount of \$0.96; Check #144809 dated 9/1/2020 payable to Eugene & Bobbi Jo Langemo in the amount of \$6.08; Check #144854 dated 9/1/2020 payable to Darin Tingley in the amount of \$0.36; Check #145511 dated 12/4/2020 payable to Enderlin Rural Fire Dept in the amount of \$29.11; Check #146273 dated 4/6/2021 payable to Ian Jacobson in the amount of \$25.00; Check #146794 dated 6/15/2021 payable to Stephen Voelkner in the amount of \$25.00; and Check #146970 dated 7/21/2021 payable to Ian Jacobson in the amount of \$25.00. Shawn Olauson moved to cancel the checks; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll-call vote, with all members voting "yes". If the party entitled to any such warrant shall appear and give good and sufficient reason for the party's delay in calling for such warrant or in presenting the same for payment, the board may issue a new warrant in the amount to which the party is entitled, except for the statute of limitations.

Highway Dept – Bridge Projects

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, informed the Commission of two bridge projects that were approved by the State for 100% funding.

Commission Discussion

Commission discussion included Portfolio reports. Other discussion included a kayak launch, park employee salary increases, and county dams.

With no further business, Cindy Schwehr made a motion, seconded by Shawn Olauson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Bill Carlbom, Chairman
Barnes County Commission

Beth M Didier
Barnes County Auditor