

## Barnes County Commission

October 6, 2026  
Valley City, ND 58072

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, October 6, 2026, with Bill Carlblom, Mike Schwehr, Vicky Lovell, Pete Paulson, and Shawn Olauson. Chairman Bill 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.

### Public Comments

No requests received.

### Corrections

Jeremy Wolff discussed raising boarding contract charges with other counties. The current contract rate is \$100.00 per day. He is suggesting raising the charge to \$115.00 per day. The booking rate is \$30.00. Shawn Olauson made a motion to increase boarding contract rate to \$115.00 per day and the booking rate to \$50.00; Vicky Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting yes. The current charge to the police department is \$85.00. Vicky Lovell

made a motion to increase the police department charge to \$90.00. Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

### Auditor's Office

Vicky Lovell moved to approve September 15, 2026, and September 28, 2026 minutes as presented. Shawn Olauson seconded the motion. Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting "aye". Mike Schwehr made a motion for Alicia Harstad and Sue Milender to be the State Fair delegates; Shawn Olauson seconded the motion.

Motion carried upon roll call vote with all members voting yes.

### Tax Equalization

Stacie Hansen presented an omitted assessment on parcel 51-0100160, Craig McGraw. The assessor decreased the value on the incorrect parcel. The house value of \$48,300 should be added back onto this parcel. Shawn Olauson made a motion to approve the value change; Pete Paulson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with all members voting yes.

### Commission Discussion

Pete Paulson reported the Airport is sealing driveways. An update on the Veteran Service Office van rides, mileage, client visits were given. Mike Schwehr reported that City County Health is preparing for the respiratory and flu season. Vicky Lovell reported Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is increasing the fair market rent value. The library has an opening for an assistant director. The current assistant director has submitted her resignation. They will be installing security cameras. The Pomeroy Foundation has awarded a grant for a plaque at the library. Bill mentioned change orders coming up that have not been submitted to the commission. They should be on the next commission meeting agenda. With no further business, Shawn Olauson made a motion, seconded by Vicky Lovell, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously, with all members voting "aye" and the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

Bill Carlblom, Chairman  
Barnes County Commission

Julie Mindt  
Barnes County Auditor