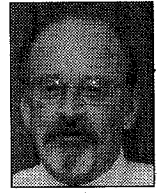


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ANNEXATION: Residents fear more taxes, same services

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Laurie Silewski had more problems with the neighborhood not being part of Valley City than being annexed.



Russell Myhre

"It's OK, I guess. Hopefully we will be protected with flooding. (Not being part of the city) we were told we

were on our own for flooding. We are already connected to city sewer and electric, and have county snowplowing," Silewski said.

Floyd Boschee didn't see advantages to annexation, although the subdivision is in the flood plain, and subject to flooding on a regular basis. "I didn't want it," Boschee said.

After being flooded out four or five times since living in the subdivision, Marvin Bloom still doesn't like the idea of being annexed, but is looking forward to the city protecting the neighborhood against flooding with dikes and sandbag walls constructed by volunteers and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

"I have mixed emotions," Bloom said. "We're disappointed we were annexed - we feel we have nothing to gain. We trust, however, we will be eligible for flood assistance should a flood come in the future. It's sort of like we lost the battle, but won the war.

"The only thing (Barnes) County offered for flood assistance was we could pick up sandbags at the highway department building, but we had to fill our own bags. That was the only assistance we were offered for the flood. That's not really what we needed."

Brad Spenningsby does

Hoberg's decision says properties south of 35th Street will not be annexed, while properties north of 35th Street and east of the Sheyenne River will be annexed into Valley City. The Woodlawn Park Subdivision is one of the areas that will be annexed.

Hoberg wrote the area south of 35th Street was too rural and the cost of building curb and gutter would have been cost prohibitive for the residents living in those subdivisions.

Hoberg's ruling says Valley City cannot start any infrastructure improvements for 10 years unless a majority of the property owners makes a written request to have the work done in the newly annexed areas.

Valley City is not happy with parts of the decision, especially the rejection of annexation along the Kathryn Road south of Interstate 94.

Valley City City Attorney R. Jon Fitzner said the judge ruled developments along Kathryn Road were rural, when Fitzner believes they are more urban and should be considered part of Valley City.

Valley City lobbied for that position at a March 31 hearing.

"Hoberg seemed to focus on the potential cost of infrastructure when we made it clear we wouldn't add any infrastructure without the consent of residents. It's regrettable Kathryn subdivisions can't be part of Valley City. Maybe it can happen someday," Fitzner said.

Russell Myhre, a Valley City attorney who represented some people protesting the annexation proposal, said Monday that Hoberg ordered the City Lights Supper club area annexed, but did not annex the Sugar Loaf Hill near the Valley

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In accordance with Century Code 15.1-09-10, notice is hereby given of the election to be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 in the Barnes County North School District #007. The purpose of this election is to fill three open positions for school board officials and for the question of publication of school board minutes. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the North Central School, Wimbledon-Courtenay School and Spiritwood School.

/s/ Karen Gumke Business Manager

(May 24, 2011)

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION NOTICE TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE SURCHARGE

May 18, 2011

On April 21, 1993, Governor Edward T. Schafer approved House Bill No. 1028 that established a program to provide specialized telecommunications services and equipment to the communications impaired. The relay services program is funded by an access line surcharge paid by the customers of local exchange companies and radio communications service providers.

The relay services program is administered by the Information Technology Department of the State of North Dakota. Before June 1 of each year, the Public Service Commission calculates the amount of the surcharge based on cost data and other information provided by the Information Technology Department.

The Commission has calculated the 2011-2012 surcharge to be included in bills to customers is \$.04 per access line per month.

(May 24, 2011)

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Barnes County Commission Tuesday, May 3, 2011 Valley City, North Dakota

The Barnes County Commission met in regular session Tuesday, May 3, 2011 with all members present.

Kerry Johnson, Highway Superintendent, and Mark Anderson, K.L.J., presented an ER contract for Project CER-023(059), on .37 miles located 5 miles north of I-94 on Highway 1.

Commissioner Knutson made a motion, seconded by Froelich, to

for the project.

Commissioner Knutson made a motion, seconded by Leitner, to approve the requested \$7500 grant, for the purpose of constructing a community center in Nome, contingent on the completion of all other funding for the project. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Ms. Feist updated the Commission on the construction of the new Tech II building. She also discussed coming events for the Development Corporation, including a roundtable meeting May 13 at the Hi-liner Activity Center, and the annual banquet May 16 at the VFW.

Betty Koslofsky, Tax Director, presented an abatement request from Neil Tangen, to reduce 2009 valuation on PCL: 63-0250657, from \$21,600 to \$8000, due to flooding. Ms. Koslofsky and the City of Valley City recommended approval of the reduction.

Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Knutson, to approve the abatement for Neil Tangen as requested. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Koslofsky presented an abatement request from Joshua Argall, to reduce 2010 valuation on PCL: 63-0342240, from \$47,100 to \$9600, due to flooding. Koslofsky and the City of Valley City recommended approval of the reduction.

Commissioner Knutson made a motion, seconded by Leitner, to approve the abatement for Joshua Argall as requested. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Koslofsky also presented assessing requests for the City of Dazey and Grand Prairie Township. Commissioner Froelich made a motion, seconded by Knutson, to approve assessing contracts with the City of Dazey for \$364 and Grand Prairie Township for \$752.50. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Auditor McGough discussed a new Aflac addition for County employees, the Critical Illness Program. It was the consensus of the Commission that the Aflac agent be allowed to meet with employees to explain the program.

Vicki Zinck, Treasurer, presented costs and security procedures associated with setting up a credit card payment system for taxes, which could include a convenience fee of approximately 2.8%.

Ken Reid, County FEMA director, discussed his salary and the possibility of hiring a part-time employee to help with the 2011 FEMA funds. He described the process involved in each ER site.

Commissioner Knutson made a motion, seconded by Froelich, to allow Mr. Reid to hire a part-time person at a salary of \$15 to \$20 per hour, depending on experience. Upon a roll call vote with all voting "yes," motion carried.

Kim Franklin, EMA, met with the Commission to discuss surplus sandbags, reporting that there are 792 pallets left.

Lee Grossman, State's Attorney, dis-

PUBLIC NOTICE

\$120.93, Dex Media East \$25.60, Dickey County Leader \$38.00, Fargo Cass Public Health \$142.80, Great Plains Directory \$40.50, Hoar, Julie \$24.48, Ingstad Family Media \$300.00, Innocorp \$707.00, Lamoure Chronicle \$27.00, Langland, Tamara \$175.95, Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp \$485.49, Mercy Hospital \$3,232.76, Moore Medical \$594.05, ND Assn for Home Care \$150.00, New Country Press \$32.00, Pamida \$12.76, Promotional Keychains \$365.00, Qwest \$162.38, Rosenau, Vicki \$137.70, Ross, Cindy \$350.00, Sadd - Oakes Chapter \$500.00, Sanford \$47.00, Sansio \$600.00, Skalicky, Kasey \$423.70, Edgeley Mail \$37.00, Foster County Independent \$33.00, Thompson, Laurel \$31.54, Thomsen, Paula \$155.44, Transcript Publishing \$32.00, Tri-County News \$30.00, Two Rivers Printing \$350.00, University of ND \$8,000.00, Valley City Sadd \$250.00, Times-Record \$93.00, Valley Drug \$18.00, Valley Officeworks \$332.26, Viland, Beth \$54.06, Wendel Auto Body \$332.30, Wick Investments \$300.00, Will, Theresa \$591.88; Veterans Service Office: BC Highway Dept \$99.76, Dakota Plains \$19.98; Social Services: Alberty-Schaffer, Heather \$14.18, Allard Trophy \$27.50, Aune, Alicia \$199.01, Bitz Tire \$41.96, Brothers III \$462.72, Cardmember Service \$1,150.52, Campson, Becky \$30.09, Days Inn \$69.30, ND Assn of Counties \$112.28, ND Dept of Human Services \$9,256.61, Pamida \$106.70, Pautz, Heather \$371.82, Pershing \$312.83, Record Keepers \$27.00, Red River Children's Advocacy Center \$160.00, Sanford Clinic \$47.00, Public Works \$524.54, Times-Record \$25.42, Valley Officeworks \$239.48; County Road & Bridge: AP Equipment \$22.12, Bitz Tire \$763.56, Butler Machinery \$7,822.95, Carquest \$353.70, Carquest \$263.25, Dakota Industrial Supply \$92.00, Dakota Plains \$19,711.04, Dickey Rural Telephone \$65.28, Enterprise Sales \$316.00, Handy Hardware \$72.08, Inter-Community Telephone \$70.15, Johnson, Kerry \$32.24, Kadmas, Lee & Jackson \$1,230.83, Kari's Cleaning \$269.40, Leavers \$56.18, Little Falls Machine \$443.32, Menards \$76.47, Mid-States Wireless \$203.00, MDU \$1,578.13, ND Assn of Counties \$350.00, Newman Signs \$495.11, Northwest Tire \$1,854.50, Open Door Center \$714.46, Ottortail Power \$200.00, Polymer Products \$30.00, Praxair \$603.17, Sanford Clinic \$173.00, Swanston Equipment \$2,728.37, TDS Metrocom \$8.28, Titan Access Account \$4,277.28, Valley Auto Parts \$1,112.12, Public Works \$2,707.90, Times-Record \$153.72, Valley Officeworks \$130.12, Verizon \$128.54, Vining Oil & Gas \$31,263.90, Walkwork Truck Center \$319.78, 3d Specialties \$111.32; County Park: Arc Thift-E-Shop \$2.00, Cass Co Electric \$291.51, Dakota Plains \$996.03, Miller Motors \$95.20; Weed Control: BC Highway Dept \$65.62, Bayshore \$32.45, Carquest \$126.90, Dakota Plains \$86.38, Devries, Jacob \$28.00, Enterprise Sales \$26.25, Handy Hardware \$42.07, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, Rons

Signs \$6,078.85, Pamida \$26.94, Qwest \$984.49, Valley Auto Parts \$45.86, Valley Officeworks \$88.09; Stewart Drain: Klubben Excavating \$4,160.00; Garrison Conservancy Dist: Garrison Diversion Cons Dist \$2,346.74; Airport: Municipal Airport \$8,394.82; 911 Emergency Fund: Dakota Central \$27.00, Dickey Rural Telephone \$243.00, Inter-Community Telephone \$150.00, Qwest \$951.24; State Funds: ND State Treasurer \$2,390.73; Winter Show: ND Winter Show \$5,827.68; Older Persons: South Central Adult Services \$4,285.68; Ambulance: BC Ambulance \$2,459.35; Water Resources: Kelly Inn \$172.60, Hurley, Patrick \$314.50, Kari's Cleaning \$63.70, Lettenmaier, Duane \$210.13, McMillan, Jeffrey \$297.50, Moore Engineering \$6,241.25, Smith, Jamie \$125.10; Historical Society: BC Historical Society \$1,461.49; Library: Public Library \$4,016.92; Cities: Dazey \$202.59, Fingal \$370.28, Kathryn \$141.88, Leal \$3.38, Litchville \$74.72, Nome \$73.54, Oriska \$403.80, Rogers \$47.09, Sanborn \$3,099.18, Sibley \$224.75, Tower City \$39.63, Valley City \$118,581.48, Wimbledon \$789.17; Townships: Alta \$5,744.12, Anderson \$796.11, Ashtabula \$1,333.62, Baldwin \$567.90, Binghampton \$1,202.76, Brimer \$723.33, Cuba \$990.62, Dazey \$170.88, Eckelson \$843.09, Edna \$643.12, Ellsbury \$601.17, Getchell \$1,271.30, Grand \$478.57, Green \$941.41, Greenland \$691.99, Hemen \$437.02, Hobart \$1,983.27, Laketown \$459.47, Mansfield \$1,661.06, Marsh \$1,159.03, Meadow \$1,561.55, Minnie \$673.92, Nelson \$472.83, Noltmier \$959.01, Norma \$414.40, Oakhill \$387.38, Oriska \$1,539.04, Pierce \$1,372.69, Potter \$626.29, Raritan \$2,224.03, Rogers \$701.85, Rosebud \$813.26, Sibley \$1,526.06, Skandia \$711.21, Spring \$759.83, Springvale \$953.06, Stewart \$868.63, Svea \$490.16, Thordenskjold \$710.83, Uxbridge \$1,847.60, Valley \$3,181.13, Weimer \$846.23; Park Districts: Fingal \$31.02, Kathryn \$11.93, Litchville \$10.22, Nome \$4.88, Sanborn \$137.77, Valley City \$17,736.12; School Districts: BC North \$65,356.60, Enderlin 24 \$29,317.83, Griggs County \$256.70, Hope \$3,484.09, Litchville-Marion \$27,003.93, Maple Valley \$57,339.85, Montpelier \$1,533.83, Page \$2,725.80, Valley City \$164,433.26; Rural Fire Districts: Dazey \$624.39, Edna \$197.56, Enderlin \$798.55, Fingal \$321.06, Hope \$296.06, Kathryn \$200.06, Nome \$174.81, Page \$86.79, Sanborn \$2,229.68, Tower City \$262.17, Wimbledon \$642.52; Water Resource Specials: Stewart Drain II \$400.90; Wimbledon Depot: Sea Reach \$17,500.00, Tibke Construction \$22,072.60; Interest Fund: BC Treasurer \$7,788.30; Payroll Fund: Internal Revenue Service Center \$197.20, Job Service \$1,585.76, State Tax Commissioner \$11,107.10.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Leitner made a motion,