

Monday, August 18, 2008

Deb Ranum, Chairperson; Dennis Afrank and Donald Rieger, Members met for a regular Monday session.

Commissioner Rieger stated the 4H needed donations for 4H scholarships during the Fair. Commissioner Rieger put a \$500.00 bid in for that and wanted approval from the rest of the Commission or he would find other means of finding the funding. Commissioner's Ranum and Afrank agreed this would be fine.

Bob Wiedmer, Road Foreman met to present his weekly report. The group discussed dust control. Bob stated he could understand why Doug was having problems getting information regarding the application process. Bob stated he cannot get anyone to call him back on this issue.

Jerry Lang would like a road widened; they are having trouble getting through with grain trucks. Bob went to look at the road and stated we will need to add a chunk of pipe as the road is a little narrow.

Gary Napton is blading sunset road trying to cut the washboards out and it needs some surfacing. Commissioner Rieger stated Bob needs to check the road; Bob stated he has checked it and it does need surfacing. This road is out toward Jim Neary and David Wiseman.

Bob stated John Miller asked if the Commission had planned to finish graveling the North Plevna Road. The Commission stated yes they do plan to finish that road.

Timber Creek Road by Calvin Huether's; they plan to pull up the edges and mulch it to bring the surfacing back up on the road. Commissioner Ranum stated they need to wait for moisture. Bob stated the plan is to wait for moisture.

Road where Bill Lane lives needs a new culvert and that is where the crew is working today. Commissioner Rieger stated Bob needs to check on those roads when the operators mention problems with them. Bob stated he always tries to drive over the road before coming into see the Commission.

Ralph Rising asked Commissioner Rieger, if he took out a fence, would the County come and shave off the edges and then he would re-fence it. The Commissioner's agreed they would do this.

Bob stated Tim Bechtold asked the mowers to mow by his feed lot. The Commission stated no, they have no easements in there, just his place of residence.

Cody Johnson asked about Desert Plains Road regarding an easement. There was no easement ever written up. The Commission needs to check with Spence regarding this road.

Bob stated the weeds were mowed by Marvin Schopp's residence.

Commissioner Rieger stated he would like Bob to check the dust on the road from Dennis Erickson's which is Green Acres Road.

LaCross road in Stanhope Addition; needs a new sign with the correct spelling.

Road into Byron Wolnetz's needs to be bladed. Billy did not want to blade it when it is was so dry; may be bladed by now with the moisture we had.

Bob would like to send some of the road crew to a Proper Sign Placement meeting with him. The meeting will be held in Glendive and the cost will be \$35.00 per person. Commissioner Ranum felt he should send the assistant road supervisor with him. They will show how to use a ball bank indicator for placing signs on the curves of roads. Deb stated Mike Kirschten asked if someone could mow the road going to the rifle range. Bob stated he will be meeting with Mike after this meeting. Commissioner Rieger questioned how many hours the road crew spent on the Mary Ketchum fire. Bob stated it was approximately 5 hours on a Friday after work. Bob did not feel they needed to keep them as it started to rain and they had put the line around the fire. Group discussed reseeding after the County has bladed; if a landowner gets land damaged from the County blades.

Commissioner Afrank stated Alba and Solar Bee went out and repaired one of the aerators.

Vera Abrams, Safety Supervisor met regarding safety issues. The safety team had a meeting on the 13th and they feel each department needs to have a job analysis completed to decide of PPE should be worn and when it should be worn. Safety toe shoes should be worn in some instances and hard hats would need to be available. Seasonal employees

would need to purchase the steel toes, if required and would be reimbursed for their purchase at the end of their work season. The reason they would need to wait for payment is because of the possibility of them quitting right away and getting a new pair of shoes for not even working. They would only be allowed one pair in a calendar year, up to \$150.00 and a receipt would be required. Commissioner Afrank discussed his concern for the seasonal youth paying so much for them and not being able to afford them. Vera expressed they could get them at Wal-Mart at an affordable price. Commissioner Afrank asked Vera to check with Wal-Mart on the cost of the safety toe shoes. Vera stated safety eyewear is provided by the County also. LTAP-Local Training Assistance Program and OSHA training was discussed. Discussed injured employees need to make sure they get a release before resuming work. Lynda Herbst, Safety Team member discussed a designated cross walk from the North Parking lot to the courthouse. Kevin Dukart will take it to City Council. Vera and the Commission agreed the safety meetings are mandatory. A letter will go out from the Commission and it will be sent to all departments regarding the safety meetings. First Aid kits were discussed; Vera discussed needing a central location for them. Permission granted to purchase some kits after checking on costs. We will order our own rather than going through a company that will fill them for us. Vera will get the kits ordered. The Museum also needs one; Vera will order one for them also. Vera needs the fleet statistics such as miles driven to get safety awards for the miles driven safety. Vera will collect the information from the Department Heads at the first of each month.

CLOSED-LEGAL

Noon recess

Chuck Lee, DES/911 Supervisor; Chris Christensen and Scott Bradford, Department of Administration; John Pisk, DES Coordinator for Prairie County; Bill Dept of Corrections; Tim Barkley, Fallon County Sheriff; John Blaine, Powder River County Sheriff and Rusty Jardee, Carter County Sheriff met to discuss the Eastern Tier Interoperability Agreement. Full minutes of this meeting are on file in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, Selena Nelson and David Espeland, Fallon Medical Complex and Jim Leischner met to discuss the insurance for the new Retirement Complex.

Debbie stayed to discuss questions on the County's insurance policies.

The Commission approved the August, 2008 mid-month accounts payable in the amount of \$499,955.51 and they are on record in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

PUBLIC COMMENT OR BUSINESS AS OR IF NEEDED:

REPORTS:

Baker Rural Fire District Report for July, 2008-Warrants issued in the amount of \$3,379.11.

Plevna Rural Fire District Report for July, 2008-Warrants issued in the amount of \$17,771.45.

July, 2008 Detention Center Report-11 prisoners held for a total of 123 days of which 81 were County days and 42 were City days. There was no income received for the month.

JOURNALS:

Budget Journal 9-FY08-Make necessary revisions to 07-08 budget-various funds and accounts within those funds.

Journal 578-FY08-Change claims coding on various claims.

Journal 579-FY-8-correct coding for Plevna Rural Fire District claims. Move claims from their regular capital outlay fund to their capital projects fund.

EASEMENTS:

Steven C. Crawford-Farmstead and Johnny Creek Trail in Section 24-8-60.

Karen Leibee Family Revocable Trust-Timber Creek Road in Section 2-7-58.
Karen Leibee Family Revocable Trust-Tonquin Trail and Division Road in Section 10-7-58.

Donald and Lorraine Piesik-Cougar Road & Farmstead in Section 28-8-55.

The Commission signed the letter for the School Tax Levies for Don Dilworth, Superintendent of Schools.

The Commission signed the payroll authorization form for DES Coordinator-Chuck Lee.

The Commission signed the Immunization Program Master Contract and the MCH Block Grant Report.

The Commission received a letter from the Little Beaver Conservation District regarding the authorized mill levy for FY09. The District is asking for the full levy authorized by law.

The Commission reviewed and approved the minutes from July 14, July 21, July 28 and August 4-7, 2008.

Adjourned.
s/Deb Ranum, Chairperson

ATTEST:
s/Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder