

Monday, June 17, 2013

8:00 AM-PRESENT Deb Ranum, Chairperson and **Steve Baldwin**, Member; **William L. Randash**, excused to be out of State and Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder.

9:00 AM-CLOSED-PERSONNEL

9:15 AM-Bobby Wiedmer, Road Foreman and **Alba Higgins**, Shop Foreman met to present the weekly Road/Shop Report.

Snow Plow-Snow plow set-up was discussed.

Tires-Discussed issues when capping the drive tires; they are losing the caps and tearing up fenders. Discussed going away from capping and running virgin tires as long as they can; it is felt the capping process has changed which probably relates to the issues.

MDU-They will be doing a one call so they are able to place railing around the tank.

Shop-Jon Nowak, Seasonal hire is working on the shop; they are holding off on the purchase of the lift until they have everything ready to use it.

Outside Maintenance Building-This was moved to the County Shop for storage of the skid steer; the electrician still needs to wire it. Propane tank will have to be placed outside the fence. Alba suggested they pour a pad for the tank and place a rail around it. Alba also feels the tank has to be 2500 feet away from the building; they need to check on propane specifications. The Commission agreed to allow the tank to be placed outside the fence, on a pad, protected by railings.

Cold mix-The cold mix came last week, some went to parks and the rest to patch roads. They changed the type of oil used for chip sealing; this is water based so it dries quicker it is cheaper per ton and is a better product. They will shut the hot oil tanks down and not use them any longer after using the rest of the oil.

Use of the shop -Various crews use the County Shop; Commissioner Baldwin is concerned how the departments use it. Alba and Bobby stated the Departments are all pretty good about clean-up. Speed limit in the yard was also discussed. Alba and Bobby feel they have a good working relationship with all departments.

Culverts-Discussed long term they would like to build something that would allow them to stack culverts.

New Building-Discussed putting up a new building to house longer trucks; need to look at locations to place a new building.

9:45 AM-Jon Brosz, Brosz Engineering joined.

Sunny Bank and Division Road Bridges are going out to bid July 8th at 2:00 PM. They are missing the easement from Hanson's for the north side of Sunny Bank. Temporary Easement -Jon questions the 100' easement each way and wonders if there will be an issue if they have to rebuild the road. Wondering if they need to send out an amendment stating they may need an extra 300' during construction. Jon will get this information to Spence; all agreed. Jon will contact FWP to make sure they have all the information on these bridges. Sunny Bank will be a double 12 x 8 box culvert; Division will be a double 9 x 8 box culvert.

9:50 AM-Joe Janz, Outside Maintenance joined.

Bidding-Jon stated they will be bidding both bridges as one project with cast in place or precast options; they have to leave the road in place to be used as a detour. Completion deadline will be October 18th for both bridges. The contractor will supply borrow dirt; if additional base is needed, the Road Department will supply it.

North Baker water Sewer Project-Jon sent a report to Mike Tierney, MT DOT; waiting to hear back.

Orchard Lane-Commissioner Ranum asked Bobby to check Orchard Lane as there was a complaint of the road being in poor condition.

Face of the dam-Commissioner Ranum asked if Jon had checked the grass growth on the face of the dam. Jon stated there is not much grass at this time. Jon feels they should be hearing back on that project so they are able to move forward.

Quote on stainless steel gate-The quote runs out in two weeks so the County may have to purchase it if there is no problem with it. The bid is for the install only; if they purchase the gate now it would be here when the bid is complete. The gates can be opened and closed all year but Jon feels the upper lake has to be drained by November.

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Golf Course Interlocal-This is still work in progress.

Coral Creek Road-Need to close this road to place culverts; detour to Bracket Butte Cut Across. Will put this on the radio and Landfill Manager will call all the garbage haulers when the time comes.

DeGrand bridge-Bobby stated the culverts for this bridge will be in soon.

Anticline Road-Starting point will be where the Pennel Road meets the Anticline and ends at the County Line. Decision is to surface 7 miles on Anticline and 1 mile of Cut-Across Road with scoria and cover all with gravel as soon as we can get gravel pit permitted; then will have to get covered with gravel as soon as we get gravel.

Choat Pit-Have not started on this pit as of this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

10:15 AM- Joe Janz, Outside Maintenance- Stated he would like to be notified when MTI or other contractors are working on equipment on the grounds. There was an antifreeze spill on the Courtyard lawn. Joe is not sure he will be able to save the grass.

PUBLIC COMMENT

10:25 AM-Jim Neary met to ask about an upcoming Road Speed Limit Hearing. Jim wanted to know if the adjoining landowners were supposed to come to the hearing. The Commission stated it is a public hearing and anyone that wishes should come. Almost everyone that lives on Sunset Trail feels they need a speed limit.

10:50 AM-Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder met to discuss Job Title changes; Debbie will send letters to employees affected.

The **County Attorney** was asked about the Library and if the City of Baker should be brought in to the situation involving the Library, due to information provided to him; will discuss further.

Exempt/Non Exempt employees-Those with status changes will need letters. The County Attorney will need to assist with that.

11:15 AM-Courtney Dietz, Fair Board Chairman met to discuss Fairgrounds business. Richard Griffith, Griffith Steel feels an engineer may need to see the old Exhibit Hall to see what they feel needs to be done to make it structurally sound and inform them if renovations were made, would the building have to be brought up to code. Commissioner Ranum will ask Daryl Abby, Building Inspector about this.

CLOSED-PERSONNEL

RECESS

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to recess for lunch. Commissioner Ranum stepped down from the Chair to second the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. Motion carried.

Noon Recess

1:00 PM RECONVENE

PRESENT-Commissioners Ranum and Baldwin and Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder.

PAYMENT

Commissioner's Ranum and Baldwin agreed to pay Gary Rusley \$3,338.00 to cover labor and expense costs for a dam Mr. Rusley built more than 25 years ago on a section of ground once owned by BLM; now owned by Fallon County (Section 14-6-60).

CLAIMS APPROVALS

The Commission reviewed and approved the mid-month claims for June, 2013 in the amount of \$2,153,865.86 and they are filed in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson the County's concurrence with the MT DOT construction project on Secondary Highway 336. The project will be to completely reconstruct the existing gravel roadway on a new horizontal and vertical alignment to current standards and replace all existing drainage structures, including two bridges. Approximate length of 7.9 miles; bridges over the Fork of the Beaver Creek and Beaver Creek; the approximate bid letting date is expected to be January, 2015.

The Commission sent a letter to the Library Board requesting a letter from the Library Board advising the Commission of the new salary/wage of each Library employee. The letter was hand delivered by Commissioner Ranum.

Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson the Master Contract for the Immunization Program covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2019.

The Commission was notified the WIC program will receive additional funding of \$594.00 for the July, 2013 – September, 2013 period. A public hearing will need to be held. It was also noted the WIC program was to receive \$480.00 more than was originally budgeted. The hearing will be held to increase the budget by \$1,074.00.

Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson the re-enrollment agreement for the Fallon County Flexible Compensation Plan.

The Commission received notification the updated Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan was approved as submitted by Chuck Lee, DES/911 Coordinator. The plan was approved until June 10, 2018.

The Commission was notified of the FY2014 Entitlement Share Payment in the amount of \$424,135.88.

EASEMENT

The following Temporary Easements were signed:

Anthony and Katherine J. Hanson-Sec 33-7-58-Sunny Bank Road (South Fork of Sandstone Creek) for a bridge.

John and Clarice Tronstad-Sections 28 and 29-4-60-Old Petition #7-Road #97 (unknown tributary of Little Beaver Creek) for a bridge.

William Bickle-Section 9-5-57-Cemetery Road (unknown tributary of Sandstone Creek) for a bridge.

Bickle Cattle Co-Section 3-9-56-Wesmore Road (Dry Fork Creek) for a bridge.

REPORTS

The Commission reviewed the following reports:

May, 2013 Ambulance Report-\$6,410.00 monthly charges; \$17,169.45 monthly payments; \$1,842.87 monthly adjustments; collection payment received-\$150.00 of which (75.00 was kept by collection company); 7 runs were made in May.

REVENUES

Tri-Area Racing Assoc, LLC-Donation received from Tri-Area Racing for the Fallon County Ambulance-\$150.00.

MT Department of Revenue-4th Quarter Entitlement Payment-\$102,945.60.

MT Department of Transportation-4th Quarter Gas Tax Reimb.-\$4,079.81 and State Aid to Transportation-\$48.52.

Action for Eastern Montana-Reimbursement for fuel for a trip made by Senior Citizen Coordinator-\$32.07.

2:00 PM-ADJOURN

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to adjourn to attend the MAOGCC meeting in Lewistown, MT June 18th and June 19th. Commissioner Ranum stepped down from the chair to second the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. Motion carried.

ADJOURN,
s/Deb Ranum, Chairperson

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