

2:00 PM EMERGENCY MEETING

Due to the Tornado Event June 11, 2016, the Fallon County Commission held an EMERGENCY MEETING in the Library EOC (Library Basement).

Present: Steve Baldwin, Chairman; Deb Ranum and William L. Randash, Members and Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder

The Commission held an Emergency meeting to pass Resolution 2016-15. This Resolution declared an Emergency in Fallon County and is as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-15

WHEREAS, a severe thunderstorm, producing a tornado, with heavy rain has occurred outside the City Limits of Baker, **in Fallon County**, on June 11, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Fallon County Commission that an **EMERGENCY is hereby declared** pursuant to Section 10-3-402 MCA and all provisions of the County Emergency Operations Plan are in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be filed with the Clerk and Recorder, County Assessor and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Fallon County Commission this 12th day of June, 2016.

s/Steve Baldwin, Chairman
s/Deb Ranum, Member
s/William L. Randash, Member

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

2:30 PM RECESS Commissioner Ranum made the motion to Recess. Commissioner Randash seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

MONDAY, June 13, 2016

8:00 AM PRESENT Steve Baldwin, Chairman; Deb Ranum and William L. Randash, Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder in for Lani DeBuhr, Clerk/Secretary who was assisting with volunteer organization for the Tornado event.

BRIEFING The Commission met in the Library EOC for a briefing and updates on the Tornado event.

9:00 AM Commission Work Session

The Commission reviewed and signed Amendment 1 to Task Order Number 15-07-1-01-124-0 for Additional Health Board Grant Funds.

The Commission reviewed the following reports received: Plevna Rural Fire-May, 2016 Report-With warrants paid in the amount of \$4,931.99; Detention Center-164 Total Days-75 Fallon County; 76 City of Baker; 11 Department of Corrections. Revenue -\$550.00; Special Projects Maintenance Status Report; Treasurer May, 2016 Cash Report.

The Commission reviewed and Approved the following Journals: May 31, 2016 Accounts Payable Voucher #1037 was signed for total claims paid of \$632,737.87; Journal #679-Moved invoices from the Golf Course and Parks Budgets to Capital Projects for the Splash Park.

The Commission received and reviewed emails with no Action required.

The Commission received and reviewed revenues received.

9:15 AM Shannon Hewson, Brosz Engineering joined to offer his services throughout this event.

9:30 AM Commission attended a briefing and updates on the Tornado event in the Library EOC.

10:00 AM Bobby Wiedmer, Road Supervisor and Alba Higgins, Shop Foreman

Bobby Reported the Road crew is hauling cold mix; Mark Sieler, Road Foreman went out to excavate a large pit at the Landfill for the Tornado debris that will be arriving throughout the week. Bobby will also be sending a few drivers and County trucks to the tornado area.

10:15 AM Jeff Gates, District DES Director

Jeff met to present updates and progress to the Commission.

Lance Wedemeyer, City of Baker-Public Works Director and Lani DeBuhr-Clerk/Fallon County Representative are the contacts for those wanting to volunteer, etc.

Volunteers-Jeff stated any hours County Employees work over their normal 40 hours will be able to be used as part of the matrix that will be needed to meet the Federal FEMA threshold.

Baker Lake-The Lake will without a doubt cost more than the mandatory \$80,000 before State and Federal funds kick in. The County will have 30 days to ask for assistance from the State of Montana. Commissioner Ranum asked if the National Guard would have anything to assist with the Lake clean-up. Jeff stated they would not. Various options were discussed to assist with the lake such as draining the lake and the pros and cons, if drained.

Jeff stated Dale Butori, Assistant DES did an excellent job in Chuck Lee's absence. Jeff plans to include Dale when there are trainings that will assist him with his duties as an Assistant DES Coordinator.

Cyber Security Grant-Commission discussed the way the Cyber Security Grant for Fallon County was handled by the State of Montana. Jeff discussed the possible changes of the scoring criteria. Jeff wanted the Commission to know he is here for Fallon County to support us any way he can.

10:20 AM Jeff left the meeting.

10:20 AM Terry Sukut, JGA stopped in on his way to Ekalaka to see if he could assist in any way.

10:21 AM Terry left the meeting.

10:20 Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder

Debbie met to discuss Fallon County's insurance losses.

Splash Park-Bath house-just needs power washed; the cantilever's (canopies) received damage but this is not specifically covered. Debbie stated they came too small to begin with. The Company asked Scott Rabbitt, Park Supervisor to stretch them to fit and they ripped. The Company had planned to send replacement canopies but asked that we use them until the new ones arrived.

One Water feature has bent arms; one picnic structure is gone; fence around the water park is destroyed; one decorative light pole destroyed; 3 light poles have broken arms.

Airport-Some fence damage and missing one wind sock.

Golf Course, Fair, Road-No Damages

Jade Boggs, Insurance Agent stated we could definitely have more coverage with the blanket coverage and could submit time for the clean-up as well.

Decision-The decision was made to open a claim until the damage assessment is completed. Debbie will contact Fallon County's Insurance Agents and let them know.

East Side Park (City Park)-This park was destroyed; Jade Boggs asked Debbie if Fallon County insured the East Side Park since the City stated the County helped pay for items at the park. Debbie stated Fallon County does not have an insurable interest. Debbie will notify JoDee Pratt, Acting Mayor there is no coverage through the County for the East Side Park.

10:40 AM Debbie left the meeting.

10:40 AM The Commission discussed getting an emergency permit to drain the Baker Lake.

10:45 AM Chuck Lee, DES Coordinator

Chuck ordered more Portable Restrooms be delivered to the Tornado area. There will be a volunteer trailer set up at Iron Horse Park and will locate a table and chairs to be sent with as well.

10:46 AM Chuck left the meeting.

10:45 AM Shannon Hewson, Brosz Engineering

Shannon will get an estimate together on clean-up of the Baker Lake. The Commission wants to try to get some assistance to clean the lake. Discussed pumping the water, etc. from the Lake. Commissioner Randash asked about pumping the mud. Shannon wants to see what DEQ has to say about it.

10:55 AM Shannon left the meeting.

11:00 AM Board Appointments

Resignations-Commissioner Randash made a motion to accept Tom Muckle's resignation from the Cemetery Board; Bea Barkley's Resignation from the Council on Aging and Gary Irgens Resignation from the Planning Board. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for Discussion. There being none, Commissioner Baldwin asked for a vote 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Plevna TV Board-Commissioner Randash made motion to accept Chuck Lee's letter to remain on the Plevna TV Board. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for Discussion. There being none, Commissioner Baldwin asked for a vote 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Baker TV Board-Commissioner Randash made a motion to accept Pat Hanley's letter to remain on the Baker TV Board. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for Discussion. There being none, Commissioner Baldwin asked for a vote 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Museum Board-Commissioner Randash made a motion to accept Ken Griffith's letter to remain on the Museum Board. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for Discussion. There being none, Commissioner Baldwin asked for a vote 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Council on Aging-Commissioner Randash made a motion to accept Maurice Tunby and Betty Mueller's letters to remain on the Council on Aging Board. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for Discussion. There being none, Commissioner Baldwin asked for a vote 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Fair Board-Commissioner Randash made a motion to accept Jason Coulter's letter of appointment to the Fair Board. Commissioner Baldwin asked for discussion. Commissioner Randash feels we have several good Rodeo people on the Fair Board so may not have as much help in other areas. Commissioner Baldwin feels Jason works very well outside the Fair Board as well. Commissioner Ranum had not comments; remained neutral. There being no further discussion Commissioner Baldwin asked for a second to the earlier motion. Commissioner Ranum seconded. 3 ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Airport Commission-Commissioner Randash made a motion to accept Dale Hinton's letter to remain on the Airport Commission. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for Discussion. There being none, Commissioner Baldwin asked for a vote 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Library Board-Commissioner Randash made a motion to accept Mark Jacobsen's letter to remain on the Library Board. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for Discussion. There being none, Commissioner Baldwin asked for a vote 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Letters will be written to all of those appointed.

11:30 AM-Glendive Ranger Review Reporter-Eric Killelea

Eric arrived with Mary Jo Gehmert, Dawson County DES Coordinator to deliver water. Came to get information and an update on progress after the Tornado.

11:45 AM Eric left the meeting.

11:45 AM Randy Vogel, State Director for Ryan Zinke; Jason Rittal, County Development Advisor and Alex Sterhan, District Director for Ryan Zinke.

Randy has had a discussion with FEMA regarding the Tornado event and the issues everyone is facing with the Baker Lake. There is no road damages as far as anyone is aware. Those that are ready for power on the east-side should have it today; however they are not sure about natural gas services. No County buildings were damaged; Commissioner Ranum stated the water park damage was minimal. Randy asked if all of the private homes have insurance. Commissioner Baldwin stated assessments are being completed as we speak.

Major concern is of course the Baker Lake. Commissioner Randash asked if Randy felt the Army Corp would work with the County on this. Randy stated we will need to make a formal request from the State of Montana. They will then come in and do an assessment of costs in relation to the Lake, etc.

Commissioner Baldwin stated our County Engineer will complete his assessment as well. Randy stated all photographs will be very helpful now.

Fallon County will need to write the letter to the State DES and carbon copy the Governor to ask for their assistance. Ask for FEMA to do a cost assessment of total damages so there is a number FEMA accepts. This is outside of what the private insurance will pay for. Individuals need to document their machinery and labor given toward this effort. PUBLIC SAFETY is the biggest concern.

Jason asked if the County were to get a declaration from the State, due to Public Safety, etc., would that change what assistance Fallon County will get from the EPA, the Corp of Engineers and FEMA regarding the Lake. Shannon stated he spoke to Sage from the Corp regarding what could be done to remove the debris from the lake. Sage stated they could use planking to get an excavator out to remove the debris. Randy stated he would follow up with Sage and also discussed the Commission contacting FWP.

Randy asked if the lake was used for irrigation, discussed the lake flowing into the Sandstone, which down the line is used by an irrigation district. The impact to the Landfill and the road to the Landfill was also further discussed.

Shannon stated the CORP does not have a concern of draining the lake other than the debris. Fallon County would have to get approval from the State of Montana, necessary permitting will have to take place if the plan is to drain the lake and remove the debris.

12:20 PM Chuck Lee, DES Coordinator stated Dale Butori, Deputy DES Coordinator informed him they are running low on food resources at the Baker Fire Hall. Commissioner Baldwin stated they should contact Reynolds for food resources.

12:21 PM Chuck Lee left the discussion.

Shannon will do a quick estimate on the drainage of the lake and will check the upper lake to see if the gate is open. Discussed saving water if we have to or are allowed to drain the lake.

12:30 PM Shannon, Randy and Alex left the discussion.

12:30 PM RECESS Commissioner Ranum made the motion to Recess. Commissioner Randash seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried unanimously.

NOON RECESS

1:15 PM RECONVENED

Steve Baldwin, Chairman; Deb Ranum and William L. Randash, Members and Lani DeBuhr, Clerk/Secretary

1:50 PM Penny Zimmerman, Jon Tester liaison joined the meeting.

Would like them to talk to Jon Tester about draining the lake as there is a ton of garbage; Fallon County would like financial assistance to do this.

3:00 PM PRIMARY ELECTION CANVASS

PRESENT – Canvassers-Steve Baldwin, Deb Ranum and William L. Randash; Election Clerk-Kathy Newell, Election Administrator-Brenda J. Wood. Commissioner Baldwin read aloud the count for each individual, including write-ins and Commissioners Ranum and Randash made sure the numbers compared correctly.

With all numbers corresponding with the unofficial tally the following numbers are now the Official Canvass Tally Totals from the Republican, Democrat, Non-Partisan and Democrat Write-Ins:

DEMOCRAT TALLY SHEET

PRIMARY: JUNE 7, 2016

OFFICIAL CANVASS

PRECINCT TOTALS

RACE		RACE	
Candidates	Total	Candidates	Total
PRESIDENT		STATE REPRESENTATIVE DIST 37	
Hillary Clinton	34	Judi Cramer	41

Bernie Sanders	21	Write-In	
No Preference	3	Overvote	
Write-In SEE WRITE IN TALLY SHEET		Undervote	
Overvote		Total	41
Undervote			
Total	58	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	
		Write-In SEE WRITE IN TALLY SHEET	
US REPRESENTATIVE		Overvote	
Denise Juneau	49	Undervote	
Write-In		Total	0
Overvote			
Undervote		COUNTY COMM DIST II	
Total	49	Write-In SEE WRITE IN TALLY SHEET	
		Overvote	
GOVERNOR & LT GOV		Undervote	
Steve Bullock/Cooney	53	Total	0
Bill McChesney/Anderson	4		
Write-In			
Overvote			
Undervote			
Total	57		
SECRETARY OF STATE			
Monica J Lindeen	51		
Write In			
Overvote			
Undervote			
Total	51		
ATTORNEY GENERAL			
Larry Jent	43		
Write-In			
Overvote			
Undervote			
Total	43		
STATE AUDITOR			
Jesse Laslovich	46		
Write-In			
Overvote			
Undervote			
Total	46		
ST SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTR			
Melissa Romano	45		
Write- In			
Overvote			
Undervote			
Total	45	DEMOCRAT WRITE-IN VOTES	
		Pub Serv Comm Dist 2	
		Vaugh Zenko Jr.	2
PUBLIC SERVICE COMM DIST 2		Clerk of District Court	
Write-In SEE WRITE IN TALLY SHEET		Kevin Dukart	1
Overvote		Vaughn Zenko Jr	2

Undervote		County Comm Dist 2	
Total		Rod Rost	1
		Vaughn Zenko	1
		Vaughn Zenko Jr	2

REPUBLICAN TALLY SHEET PRIMARY: JUNE 7, 2016 OFFICIAL CANVASS TALLY

ALL PRECINCTS

RACE		RACE	
Candidates	Total	Candidates	Total
PRESIDENT		ST REPRESENTATIVE DIST 37	
Jeb Bush	17	Bill Harris	377
Ted Cruz	81	Luther Q Waterland	530
John R Kasich	47	Write-In	
Marco Rubio	34	Overvote	
Donald J Trump	734	Undervote	
No Preference	58	Total	907
Write-In			
Overvote		CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	
Undervote		Jeraldine A Newell	887
Total	971	Write-In	
		Overvote	
US REPRESENTATIVE		Undervote	
Ryan Zinke	833	Total	887
Write-In			
Overvote		COUNTY COMMISSIONER DIST II	
Undervote		Kevin Dukart	221
Total	833	Dave Havens	335
		Randy Hoenke	195
GOVERNOR & LT GOV		Roy Rost	
Greg Gianforte/Robinson	508	Write-In	
Terry Nelson/Sardot	276	Overvote	
Write-In		Undervote	
Overvote		Total	1023
Undervote		NON PARTISAN	
Total	784		
		SUPREME CRT CHIEF JUSTICE	
SECRETARY OF STATE		Mike McGrath	
Corey Stapleton	780	Write-In	801
Write-In		Overvote	
Overvote		Undervote	
Undervote		Total	801
Total	780		
		SUPREME CRT JUSTICE #3	
ATTORNEY GENERAL		Kristen Juras	
Tim Fox	784	Eric Mills	282
Write-In		Dirk Sandefur	305
Overvote		Write-In	159
Undervote		Overvote	
Total	784	Undervote	
		Total	746
STATE AUDITOR			
Matt Rosendale	760	SUPREME CRT JUSTICE #6	
Write-In		Jim Shea	774
Overvote		Write-In	
Undervote		Overvote	
Total	760	Undervote	

		Total	774
STATE SUPERINTENDT OF PUBLIC INST		NON-PARTISON (CONTINUED)	
Elsie Arntzen	731	DISTRICT CRT JUDGE DIST 16, DEPT 2	
Write-In		Nickolas C Murnion	847
Overvote		Write-In	
Undervote		Overvote	
Total	731	Undervote	
		Total	847
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONER DIST 2			
Kirk Bushman	318		
Tony O'Donnell	440		
Write-In			
Overvote			
Undervote			
Total	758		

3:20 PM Brenda and Kathy left the meeting

3:20 PM- Mary Grube gave updates on what services KLJ is willing to offer during this time.

3:21 PM- Mary Grube left the meeting.

3:20 PM Jeff Gates, District DES & Shannon Hewson, Brosz Engineering and Jason Rittal, County Development Advisor

Discussed new federal funding guidelines. Assuming we will seek federal funding, especially with the Baker Lake damages. To help them assess the costs in the best way. There will be a pre-disaster assessment to determine if it qualifies and then it will go to the Presidential side. Time line according to Jeff: Not very fast, but have to get the numbers within 30 days from Saturday, to submit for the Presidential Assistance.

3:25 PM- Jason Rittal left the meeting.

3:30 PM- Jeff left the meeting.

Jason had asked Shannon to give him the bid tabs for when the Upper Lake was dredged so he can use those figures in determining a cost for cleaning the Baker Lake. The Commission and Shannon discussed the best way to drain the Lake and where to put the water and where to put the silt once it is dredged. The amount of debris in the silt will have to be dealt with differently than non-polluted silt. All these costs will have to be factored in. Discussed the cost of hauling the silt out to the Landfill and the wear and tear it will put on the roads out to Landfill.

4:00 PM Shannon left the meeting.

4:00 PM The Commission left to attend the Tornado Briefing in the Library EOC (Basement).

5:00 PM RECESS

Commissioner Ranum made the motion to Recess. Commissioner Randash seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

9:00 AM RECONVENED

PRESENT Steve Baldwin, Chairman; Deb Ranum and William L. Randash, Members

9:00 AM The Commission signed the Agreement between Fallon County and MK Weeden Construction, LLC to purchase approximately 30,000 yards of crushed road gavel within 5 miles of Cap Rock Road in accordance with County Specifications. The Agreement is on record in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

The Commission spent the balance of the morning working with and taking care of business relating to the Tornado Event.

12:00 PM RECESS Commissioner Randash made the motion to recess. Commissioner Ranum seconds the motion. 3 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

NOON RECESS

1:15 PM RECONVENED

PRESENT: Steve Baldwin, Chairman; Deb Ranum and William L. Randash, Members

The Commission reviewed more information received pertaining to the Tornado Event

2:00 PM FAIR FOOD BOOTH BID OPENING

PRESENT: Steve Baldwin, Chairman; Deb Ranum and William L. Randash, Members; Brenda J Wood, Clerk and Recorder; Terry Sukut and Mike Vandever, JGA Architects; Jason Rittal, County Development Advisor

Terry Sukut, Read the bids aloud while the balance of the group recorded information.

CONTRACTOR	CUCANCIC	HEART MTN CONST, LLC	TOOZ CONSTRUCTION
ADDRESS	Billings, MT	Powell, WY	Dickinson, ND
BASE BID	\$1,617,902	\$1,004,400	\$1,486,000
ALTERNATE 1	\$ 6,957	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,600
ALTERNATE 2	\$ 22,025	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,800
ADDITIONAL	-0-	\$1,302,746	-0-
TOTAL	\$1,646,884	\$2,339,646	\$1,519,400

All above bids had a substantial completion date of May 1, 2017.

One other bid was received from Battle Ridge Builders and they asked that their bid be pulled.

The group discussed all of the above amounts were over the estimated engineers amount by 11% or more. The bids will be further reviewed and tallied to make sure the figures are all accurate. They may be able to work with the low bid contractor on value engineering and look further at masonry, excavation and other areas of the bid to try to get the costs down. The Commission will meet to make a decision, Friday, June 24, 2016 at 3:00 PM.

2:30 PM Terry, Mike and Jason left the meeting.

2:30 PM The Commission spent the balance of the day working with and taking care of business relating to the Tornado Event.

ADJOURN

Steve Baldwin, Chairman

Lani DeBuhr, Clerk/Secretary

ATTEST:

Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder