

Monday, July 22, 2013

CONVENE 9:00 AM

PRESENT Deb Ranum, Chairperson; **William Randash** and **Steve Baldwin**, Members and **Brenda J. Wood**, Clerk and Recorder

9:15 AM- Steve Zachmann, Dick Anderson Construction met to inform the Commission of the progress of the Dispatch Remodel Project. Steve informed the Commission they would have a walk-through of the Sheriff's Department on July 24th in preparation of the work to begin on this project.

Museum-The group also discussed thoughts pertaining to moving the existing Museum and pouring a new foundation or slab.

10:00 AM-Road Report presented by **Bobby Wiedmer**, Road Foreman and **Alba Higgins**, Shop Foreman.

Prospecting-The group discussed various possible areas to prospect for road material.

Johnson Pit-They are in the process of closing the Johnson Pit-Griffith Excavating and the County are working on this together.

Road Hearing-They will need to set a date to check roads for the August 5th Road Hearing.

Road Question-Desiree' Thielen, Planner is checking the 100' rule for the location of approaches on County Roads.

Rambur Approach-Bobby and Commissioner Randash checked the Rambur approach width. The approach is 32'+, which is wider than most in that area. They could not do much more due to the location of the telephone box.

Stacker-Alba feels the Road Department could place the necessary safety guards in one to two days unless the Commission wants it ordered already guarded. It has to be delivered to the dealer in Billings as they will not deliver it here. The Road Department will take two Kenworth trucks to Billings and then bring it home. The Commission would like the guarding to be placed before the County gets it.

Plow Truck-To complete the Kois plow truck will cost \$37,878.

Mowing – They will start mowing around Fair time.

Culverts-The culverts for the crossing by DeGrands are at the County Shop.

Shop Maintenance-Alba explained they probably will not have time to complete tinning the shop walls until next Summer.

Chip Sealing-The Road Department has finished chip sealing

Windows-Alba is trying to get the issue with the windows in the new blades covered under warranty.

Bridge near Vassars-Have located rip/rap for bridge near the Vassar property.

Anticline Road-The Road Crew is hauling gravel on the Anticline Road.

10:30 AM-Jon Brosz, Brosz Engineering met regarding the decision for the Sunny Bank and Division Road bridge bid opening held July 15th. Commissioner Randash made the motion to award the contract for the Sunny Bank and Division Road, with precast option, to Oswood Construction of Great Falls, MT. This is for a double 12 x 8 box culvert for Sunny Bank - \$228,460 and a double 9 x 8 box culvert for Division Road-\$250,510. Commissioner Baldwin seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

North Baker Water Sewer Drainage-Jon stated the comments sent to the MT DOT for the NBWS drainage project should be back by this week.

MINUTE APPROVALS

Commissioner Randash made the motion to approve the June 3, 2013 minutes as submitted. Commissioner Baldwin seconded the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for Public Comment.

CLOSED-PERSONNEL

11:45 PM- Don Buerkle, Pat Ehret, Don Selle, Courtney Dietz-Fair Board Members and **Barb Lechler**, Fair Manager met to review a few items of business.

Exhibit Hall Floors-The Commission was asked why those using the hall cannot use the scrubber to clean the floors. The Commission explained you have to be a County Employee to operate or use County equipment, which is the County's policy. Commissioner Ranum suggested charging the individuals for having the floor mopped; it is felt the individuals are charged in the deposit.

Sewer Issues-The sewer issues have not been resolved as of this time.

Speakers-Discussed completing the work on the speakers now or should they wait on it? Discussed using the lift purchased by the County. Courtney stated he would contact Mitchell's Oilfield Service for a crane. It was felt that would be a better suggestion than trying to use the County's lift.

Noon Recess

RECONVENE 1:00 PM

PRESENT Deb Ranum, Chairperson; **William L. Randash** and **Steve Baldwin**, Members and **Brenda J. Wood**, Clerk and Recorder.

1:15 PM-WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Alba Higgins, Bobby Wiedmer, Kathy Newell, Debbie Wyrick, Selena Nelson and **Barbara E. Ketterling** met to update the Commission on the Wellness Program.

1:18 PM-Rachel Meech and **Pete Shatwell**, Two Medicine Representatives and **Joe Clark**, Bravo Wellness were placed on speaker phone.

It was explained that Two Medicine is working with Bravo Wellness on another portion of the Wellness program. Joe explained Bravo (points based program) to the group.

Tammy Reetz, Wellness Committee Member joined the discussion at 1:45 PM.

Discussion-The group discussed, in detail, the differences in the programs and the most beneficial portions for our diverse group. Discussed cost differences for those employees that are and are not in the program. Debbie stated the Wellness Committee agreed they would do more research on their own and would get back to everyone.

2:20 PM-Todd Barkley, Tom Sparks and **Jeff Hadley**, Landowners; **Rich Batterman**, County Attorney and **Debra Bell** and **Ken Dockweiler**, Belle Fourche Pipeline Representatives.

Agreements-Debra and Ken explained the Belle Fourche Pipeline would like to move forward on the Right of Way Agreement from last October. Belle Fourche merged the final Agreement with the agreement the Landowners had worked up. Belle Fourche is waiting to hear from their Legal Attorneys.

Tom sparks asked about the Reclamation and Mitigation plans. Ken discussed working with one point person as there are 5 elected point people. Tom stated the group appreciates the fact the Commission has held off on any proceedings until the Landowners get a document; Tom feels they are very close as it appears there only (5) five issues left to address.

Commissioners Randash and Baldwin would like to see this resolved and move forward. The Landowners would appreciate it if Fallon County would not act on the old document and wait until the new document is finalized. Debra and Ken will get back to the Landowners before contacting the Commission.

The group would like to meet again in August, possibly, August 6th or 7th. Hopefully by then the BFP Attorneys will have something finalized. The Landowners will get back in contact with BFP after they receive their information. Ken explained BFP could follow the old easement but they do not want to do eminent domain unless they absolutely have to.

3:15 PM-Lisa Mitchell, Ambulance Director was unable to attend the scheduled meeting.

Commissioner Discussion

Sanitarian-The Commission agreed they need to get a signed contract from the Sanitarian.

Landfill Engineer-Commissioner Ranum also has reservations about the Landfill Engineer.

Landfill Land Purchase-Decision on counter-offer for the Pinnow's. The Commission will ask the County Attorney to write a letter offering the Pinnow's \$1500 per acre.

Citizen complaint -The Commission received a complaint from a Baker Citizen that a resident is taking water out of the Baker Lake. The group will do further research on this.

CLOSED-PERSONNEL

4:20 PM-Luke Hauke-Animal Control Officer met to ask if Fallon County would be interested in assisting with financing a new Animal Control building. The cost would be approximately \$70,000. Luke stated he now shares a shed with Community Service and it does not meet the standards as is. Luke is a contract Animal Control Officer for the City of Baker. Luke explained the City of Baker would maintain the building. This could be a City/County building since they receive animals from within the City and County. Luke has gotten some possible Donor's for the project. The Commission will give it consideration and discuss it with Mayor Hornung when he comes in.

CLOSED-PERSONNEL

4:45 PM-Dale Butori, Weed Supervisor met to let the Commission know he sprayed the Baker Lake last week, as asked.

Dale would like permission to take off August 9th and August 12th for a Family Vacation. Permission granted.

4:55PM-Bobby Wiedmer phoned in to state the Commission, he and Spencer had reviewed the roads for the Abandonment Hearing before. Decision was made not to go over them again.

REPORTS/MINUTES/FLYERS

The Commission reviewed and/or approved the following:

Public Works Director Report

Dispatch Remodel Report-footings were poured last week for the Dispatch Addition and Maintenance Garage and wall forms set. Contractor is on site and will pour the foundation walls today (July 22nd). After 3-4 days to harden, the walls will be backfilled. Plumbing and electrical rough-in will be placed beneath the floor and floors poured by the end of next week.

AGREEMENTS

Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson of the Board the Predator Control Memorandum of Understanding for FY2014. Fallon County agreed to allocate \$973.00 for the protection of sheep from destructive animals. This document is filed in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson of the Board the Family Planning Agreement for FY2014. This document is filed in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

REVENUES

Bowers Oil and Gas Inc.-May, 2013-Oil and Gas Royalties-\$2.40

ONEOK-Encroachment Permit Fee-\$150.00

MISCELLANEOUS

The Commission was notified by way of a FAA Grant Closeout letter for Airport Project #3-30-0004-014-2011, this project is complete.

The Commission was notified by the FAA, the amendment to Airport Project #3-30-0004-013-2011 was increased to cover the estimated Federal share of the final project costs.

Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson #4 & #5 Requests for Reimbursement for the Airport Expansion Project-#4-\$118,538.00 and #5-\$105,300.00. The information is filed in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

Letter was signed by the Commission and sent to Dale Butori, Weed Supervisor regarding the Weed Department spraying the Gravel/Scoria mine sites. Dale asked the Commission to submit the letter so this could be written into the Weed Management Plan.

The Commission was notified by a concerned citizen of damage to Becker Street in Stanhope Addition. The Citizen felt the Contractor causing the damage needs to change/improve the way they approach the turns so the low boy trailer does not damage the street and landowner property.

CLOSED-PERSONNEL

ENCROACHMENT PERMIT

#572-Oneok-To place a Natural Gas Pipeline across Pennel Road in Section 2-7-59

JOURNALS

The Commission reviewed and approved the following Journals.

#643-Moved invoices from General Fund to 9-1-1 due to the fact this is where the grant was located.

#644-Record FY2013 Weed Inventory

5:10 PM ADJOURN Commissioner Randash made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Baldwin seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN
s/Deb Ranum, Chairperson

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