

Tuesday, October 15, 2013

9:00 AM CONVENE

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

CLOSED-PERSONNEL

10:00 AM-Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder joined.

10:00 AM-Bobby Wiedmer, Road Foreman and **Alba Higgins**, Shop Foreman presented the Road/Shop Report. Bobby and Alba have been working on loader specifications for the Landfill. The Landfill Manager has been contacted and is agreeable with their assistance.

Big Loader (Landfill)-The group reviewed the specifications for the big loaders in preparation of going to bid.

Small Loader (Landfill)-This is the loader they use for loading tree branches and small items.

Auction-Most of the auction items have been picked up, with the exception of the conveyor and the dozer.

Senior Citizen Bus (Sprinter)-This bus needs tires all around. Permission granted to have new tires placed on the Sprinter.

CLOSED-PERSONNEL/HIPAA

Creek Channel washing-The group discussed the road bank behind NAPA and the amount of washing that has taken place. Bobby feels the City of Baker needs to be involved in this as well.

Bank washing on Thielen's-Bobby is working with them on what the County is doing to maintain and prevent further washing.

Fence-The fence leading to Bob and Sara Brown's is buried from the years of erosion. The Brown's and the Road Department are working on this issue.

Pits-The group discussed various pits and permitting of them.

South Sandstone Road-Find out what type material could be used on the road. Decided to send the County's proposal to Cordell Perkins at FWP.

Anticline Road-Need the measurements of the Anticline Road and the balance of road surfacing that needs completed.

Total Scoria-4.7 miles; Total Gravel-21 miles, unless it is decided to include 7 miles that needs re-graveled, then the total would be 28 miles.

Questions from Commissioner Ranum

Road by Don and Alison Wyrick's-The Road Dept. has not had time to do this work yet.

Building on Huft property-The decision was the Huft's do not want the building; Commissioner Ranum suggested the Road Department contact Griffith Excavating to remove the building.

Upper Dam-Fill dirt that was required to be moved by December 1st; Bobby stated most of the dirt has been removed but will double check to see what is left.

Question from Commissioner Baldwin

Road-Asked about the road by Dan Buerkle's; Bobby stated this is not a seasonal road and Fallon County only has a petition. The County has never maintained the road in question; this road goes to Dan's field.

11:00 AM Rich Batterman, County Attorney met to present updates and gather Commissioner questions.

Library-Discussed the Library Board extending hours for the Library to be open to the public again; the issue being they had been in earlier to ask the Commission if they could close at 5:00 PM due to safety issues. Rich stated the question needs to be directed to the Library Board Chair.

Man Camp-The Commission explained the Man Camp papers and legalities are being reviewed by Susan Swimley, Land Attorney. Rich wanted the Commission to know **he** was not pushing this project off.

Landfill Land-The Pinnow's will come in on the 21st to discuss the County's possible purchase of the property where the Landfill is located.

Leases-Rich is still waiting for the Clerk and Recorder to get more information to him.

NBWS Lawsuit-Rich is not familiar with this lawsuit. The Commission explained some of the particulars.

CLOSED-PERSONNEL

11:30 AM-Lisa Mitchell-Ambulance Director met to present updates.

Agreement-Rich is working with Wibaux and Carter County on Mutual Aid Agreements.

New Roster-The new roster was presented to the Commission.

New Students-They are waiting on the State of Montana so the new students can test out on the written exam. They started with 13 new students and ended with 4 completing all but testing out.

Inspection-They received a good report for this year's inspection.

On call pay-The calendar is looking good since starting the on-call pay.

Association-Discussed whether the Ambulance Association should be dissolved. It is felt they need a Board and a Director.

Report-Lisa presented the Commission with the September Ambulance Report. 6 Transfers; 19-9-1-1 Calls-(11) required Medical patient care; (14) trauma patients-13 Males and 12 Females.

Training-Lisa will be gone November 3-8th to be certified in CPR/First Aid.

Status-Discussed dissolving the Association and what it does to the volunteer status. We will have to contact the County Attorney.

RECESS

Commissioner Randash made the motion to recess for lunch. **Commissioner Baldwin** seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Noon Recess

1:15 PM RECONVENE

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

1:15 PM-No one was present to represent **All Storm** at their meeting.

1:30 PM-Desiree' Thielen, County Planner/Flood Plain Coordinator met to update the Commission on various items.

Contract-Desiree' discussed the Contract for the Land Attorney's.

TransCanada man camp-Desiree' is waiting on the contract Attorney's to finish the legalities for TransCanada's man camp.

2:00 PM-COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION

Specifications-Discussed the need to complete the specifications to resurface another portion of the Anticline Road in preparation to go to bid.

Vacuum Trailer-City of Baker-The projected cost is approximately \$60,000. The Commission feels they should wait on the Department of Revenue's calculations regarding the possible change in Valuations due to an error made at the State Level.

Building for Animal Control/Impound Yard-Wait on the decision from the City of Baker regarding possible available location.

Human Resource Director-Discussion but no decision.

Ambulance Director-Discussion but no decision.

Upper Baker Lake Dam-This will need to be reseeded. Need to determine the best time to do this.

Amphitheatre seating-Commissioner Ranum feels the Park Supervisor needs to repack dirt for the seating at the Amphitheatre to prevent the blocks from tipping.

Agreement-The Commission felt the Draft Interlocal Agreement for maintenance of roads at South Sandstone looked fine. It will be sent on to Fish, Wildlife and Parks for their review.

Parkview I-David Espeland, CEO-FMC/Parkview Manager informed the Commission some leakage was found in the Parkview I boiler room during the rain storm last Friday. Chad, Stevenson Design feels the problem is the existing furnace stack that was outside of the re-roof project. Chad is proposing extra

precautions be taken and advised of the process to take. The Commission agreed this needs to be addressed.

Airport Project-Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson and Clayton Hornung, Mayor-City of Baker, the final acceptance papers for the Airport pavement maintenance, replacement of wind cone and segmented circle and grooving of the runway.

REPORT

The Commission reviewed the following report:

September, 2013 –Ambulance Financial Report-25 Runs-Charges for the month-\$15,250.00; Payments-\$6,465.88 and Medicare/Insurance adjustments-\$1,399.82.

2:30 PM Eric Kary, Golf Course Supervisor met to present Golf Course updates.

Pond-Griffith Excavating still plans to enlarge this when it freezes.

Cart paths-Eric said the cart paths are holding up well to the weather.

Assistant-A Seasonal employee would like to come back every year. Eric would like to classify the employee as an Assistant at \$14.00-\$15.00 per hour. The Commission stated Eric would have to discuss this with the Commission during next year's budget.

Budget-Asked when he would be able to purchase the items budgeted in Capital Outlay. Permission granted to do so now.

3:00 PM Tom Kachel, Landfill Manager met to present updates.

Roads-Tom presented pictures of the Landfill roads which need resurfaced. Tom had to close the Landfill again. Discussed getting estimates from Contractors to lay scoria at the Landfill.

Pits-Tom gathered quotes to dig a new pit at the Landfill. The estimates received were from Hufford Construction-\$14,000; Wyrick Construction-\$25,700 and Youderian Construction-\$79,500.

Motion-Commissioner Randash made the motion to accept the quote from Hufford in the amount of \$14,000 to build a pit at the landfill. **Commissioner Baldwin** seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

New Position-Tom presented a proposal for creating a new position at the Landfill. The Commission stated they would need to wait until the new Fiscal Year and discuss a wage and a position at that time.

Tub Grinder-Tom feels by running over the tree limbs with the loader, before dumping in the tub grinder, it makes the process much smoother. Commissioner Randash mentioned the County can burn, with conditions. This will be discussed further with Barry Damschen, Landfill Engineer.

Man Basket-Tom is almost finished with the man basket, for the fork lift used at the Landfill. All fall protection hooks will be installed where needed, equipped with fire extinguisher, all safety harnesses and other safety gear as required.

Water tanks-The water tanks were picked up for the water containment.

Power Washer-The power washer received from the Road Department will be sent for reconditioning and sent to Landfill when upgraded.

Welding Bay-Tom needs to get the information needed, for set up of the welding bay, from the Building Inspector.

Lockers-Tom went to view the lockers in Dispatch for Landfill use.

4:30 PM Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorded started the review of Property and Casualty Insurance with the Commission. The group also discussed bidding the insurance and the best way to proceed.

MISCELLANEOUS

LaRita Huether, Local DOR completed a spreadsheet on the total tax dollars lost to Fallon County due to errors made at Central Assessment in Helena (pertaining to one taxpayer). The total loss in tax dollars will be approximately \$36,000.00. The Commission made the decision to proceed with the current Mill Levies and will not change the Taxable Valuations/Mills to match the difference in loss of revenue.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to go to the City Council meeting and let them know the County would be willing to help purchase a vacuum trailer for City use. **Commissioner Randash** seconds

the motion, but agrees as long as the requests are not constant. 3 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

5:30 PM-ADJOURN

Commissioner Randash made the motion to adjourn until Monday October 21, 2013. 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