

## FALLON COUNTY COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

Monday, February 24, 2014

**9:00 AM CONVENE**

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

**9:30 AM Brenda Wood**, Clerk and Recorder joined.

**9:30 AM Angie Rabbitt**, Recreation Director met to present her monthly report

**Parenting classes**-The Parenting classes went very well; she had 17 families attend.

**Excursion**-35 Children attended and it was a very good trip with everyone being well behaved. Angie had two (2) Chaperone's assist.

**New Assistant**-Angie has a new Assistant; her name is Jana Wagner.

**Women's Safety**-Mike Reddick, Chief of Police assisted with this program. They had three (3) participants the last time it was held.

**New Programs**-Angie stated they are not going to take on any new programs until Jana gets familiar with the existing programs.

**Upcoming Programs**-Baker Jam-March 21<sup>st</sup>; Women's Safety & Awareness Workshop-April 26<sup>th</sup>; Women's Basketball League-May 8<sup>th</sup>-June 9<sup>th</sup>; Fitness classes-Mornings and Evenings; Adult Education-Excel and Windows 8 taught by Scott Anderson; Baseball, Dance, Babysitting Clinic and much more.

**Car show**-They have moved the car show up to May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**10:00 AM-Bobby Wiedmer**, Road Foreman and **Alba Higgins**, Shop Foreman presented the weekly updates.

**Road Work**-Wyrick Construction has ¼ mile to go and will be finished; the road looks good. They are also hauling road material on the Anticline Road.

**Tower**-Commissioner Ranum asked about the tower on the Huft property. Bobby stated they will do this when it thaws.

**Creek Channel**-The County assisted the City by using three (3) end dumps to help them haul 27 to 30 loads of frozen dirt from the creek channel (near Running's). The water was backing up and was very close to homes of public members.

**Snow plow**-They still have not received the snow plow.

**Scraper**-Repairs are being made to the scraper.

**New loader**-John Deere will be here to switch controls over to pilot controls.

**Bucket**-Alba feels they may have to have a special bucket made because we received a 1 yard bucket (with skid steer quick attach). A 1.4 yard bucket was written into the specifications but they cannot get one that large for a skid steer. Mark Feland, JD Sales Rep is looking into it. Commissioner Randash stated possibly we can get our old bucket back from the loader that was traded.

**Lining**-The group discussed lining the buckets, similar to the end dumps that have free floating liners.

**Sheriff Pickup**-Has electrical problems; Alba feels he has it narrowed down.

**Fleet diagnostics software**-Alba received various quotes; can get the next step software (15 months) for \$1,200 or the bundle would be \$6,885.00 (through the tool sale from NAPA). The sale continues until the end of March. Alba discussed purchasing the basic software (next step) for just the engines the County has or if it would be best to purchase the bundle so it covers them all. Alba will purchase the next step software for now.

**Research**-Discussed the best way to bid for a new backhoe (some counties are writing specifications for specific types, i.e. John Deere; CAT). Alba feels it is hard to compare them when you do it that way. Alba feels the County needs to purchase a new backhoe, due to bad oil samplings and maxing it out on car gates, etc. Alba will start Brittanie, Road Assistant writing the specs if the Commission decides to do this.

**11:00 AM-Commissioner Randash** made the motion to pass and sign Resolution 2-24-2014 calling for an election on the question of conducting a Local Government Review and Establishing a Study

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Commission to do so. **Commissioner Baldwin** seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2-24-2014 is filed in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

**11:20 AM-Tim Barkley**, Sheriff met to discuss the water issue regarding the creek channel. Tim stated the water was backed up to several nearby residences. The group further discussed flood control and issues with the creek channel, etc. Tim was contacted regarding the incident and asked to investigate the reasoning for all the water and the work being completed in the creek channel.

**11:30 AM-Commissioner Baldwin** made the motion to pass and sign Resolution 2-24-2014(1) calling for a Public Road Hearing to be held. **Commissioner Randash** seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2-24-2014(1) is as filed in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

#### **RECESS**

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

Noon recess

#### **1:00 PM RECONVENE**

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

**1:15 PM Brenda J. Wood**, Clerk and Recorder joined.

**1:15 PM Scott Rabbitt**, Park Supervisor met to update the Commission on various projects.

#### **IRON HORSE**

**Pump Track and Skills Course**-The size would be approximately 54' x 106'. The Commission felt it would be okay to put the specifications together and go out to bid.

**Splash Park**-Scott still does not have all the information needed for this right now. The Commission feel it would be necessary to place a fence around the splash park.

#### **PLEVNA PARK**

**Picnic Shelter**-Scott would like to place a 26 x 36 picnic shelter at the Plevna Park.

#### **SCOUT HOUSE**

**Boy Scout House**-Scott received a quote from Innovative Basements to repair the Boy Scout House. They would remove the basement floor, place a water barrier, drain tile and a new sump pump for \$32,284.50. This is in the budget and the Commission approved this to be completed.

#### **OTHER PROJECT**

**Frisbee Golf Course**-Scott asked what the County does with the land around the Softball Field. The Commission stated they usually allow it to be hayed. Scott is looking into placing a Frisbee Golf Course in a location such as that. They could use the dirt dug from the creek channel to build rolling hills. Commissioner Ranum would like to wait until the other projects are finished.

**2:00 PM--Joe Janz**, Public Member met to discuss the South Sandstone projects. Fish Wildlife and Parks is short approximately \$18,000. The Commission would agree help pay for this shortfall. Joe will relay the information.

**2:30 PM-Desiree' Thielen**, Planner joined to review Hiland Utility Site Certificate of Survey with the Commission.

Desiree' stated everything was completed as far as her records were concerned. After the Commission completed a final review of the COS, **Commissioner Ranum** signed as Chairperson. The Clerk and Recorder will file the COS of record as soon as payment, etc. is received.

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**3:45 PM Rich Batterman**, County Attorney met to update the Commission on various items.

**Creek Channel**-Rich discussed his knowledge of what happened regarding the creek channel and the emergency removal of blockage to the culvert.

**Baker Lake**-There is some progress on the Baker Lake issues.

**Commissioner Baldwin** made the motion to close the meeting for a Closed Personnel session.

**Commissioner Randash** seconded the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

**CLOSED-PERSONNEL**

**3:00 PM COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS**

**Commissioner Baldwin** made the motion to approve the January 6<sup>th</sup>-January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 minutes with spelling and grammar corrections. **Commissioner Randash** seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried unanimously.

**4:45 PM PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one appeared for Public Comment.

**MINUTES/REPORTS/FLYERS**

**Sheriff Addition Report**-February 20, 2014-Field Report 12

**Plevna Water Project update**-Feb 7, 2014

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Letters were written by the Commission to Honorable John Walsh and Honorable Jon Tester regarding Congress's tax reform legislation singling out energy producers with a higher tax burden.

**MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES**

**Septic Permit**-Carla Brown-\$50.00

**ADJOURN**

**Commissioner Randash** made the motion to adjourn until Monday, March 3, 2014 at 9:00 AM.

**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