

Monday, September 15, 2014

**9:00 AM CONVENE**

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

**9:00 AM - Fletcher Creek** – The Commission signed the agreement between **Fallon County** and **EHC, LLC** for the replacement of the Fletcher Creek Bridge. The agreement is filed in the Commissioner's office.

**9:15 AM MID MONTH ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

The Commission reviewed and approved the **September, 2014 Mid-Month claims in the amount of \$472,176.87** and they are filed in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

**10:00 AM Greg Benjamin, Ryan Rittal and Kathy Thompson**, Stahly Engineering and **Bobby Wiedmer**, Road Foreman

**Bridges**-The group met to review the sufficiency ratings of Fallon County's MDT inspected bridges. Greg explained \$150.00 per square foot is the estimated replacement cost of a bridge as a rule of thumb. They brought a sample report from their Company for the Commission to review as well.

**10:30 AM Jon Brosz**, Brosz Engineering joined.

**Funding**-The Commission explained the County has tried to get funding from TSEP with no success, therefore Fallon County has funded their own bridges. The primary reason for stopping was to see if the Commission had a need for upgrading the County's bridges and how they could assist Fallon County. Stahly has several solutions to tailor the bridges to the County's needs and they like to work with the County's and Municipalities in our area.

Everyone left the meeting with the exception of Jon and Bobby.

**11:00 AM Jon Brosz**, Brosz Engineering; **Bobby Wiedmer**, Road Foreman and **Alba Higgins**, Shop Foreman

**Fletcher Creek Bridge**-They will start working on this box culvert today. Brosz was informed the precast box culverts cannot be delivered until October so the Contractor has been sent designs to complete a cast-in-place.

**Feed Mill Bridge**-They will have to do a cast-in-place for the Feed Mill Bridge as well. Diamond J will start between the 29<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> of October on this bridge.

**Upper Lake**-Diamond J will start working on the upper lake gate from the 8<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> of October and then will move back to the Feed Mill Bridge after that.

Jon will inform Cretex they will be placing cast-in-place box culverts rather than precast and they may then move up the build time. Contractor may also need extra time for the cast-in-place if bad weather is received.

**Bonnevale Cemetery Drainage**-Jon stated Brosz Surveyors will stake this project tomorrow. **Jasen Wyrick**, Wyrick Construction is checking with a tree mover, but, will be working on the Fairgrounds storage shed first.

**North Baker Drainage**-Jon plans to meet with one of the landowners at their property to explain why the property is being flagged.

**Lagoon-City of Baker**-They are waiting on negotiations pertaining to the Beach water well.

**SWPPP Training (Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan)**-Jon recommends Bobby and Alba and/or Mark Sieler take this training. Work performed on box culverts, gravel pits, etc. will need someone certified to complete inspections on any work performed (over 1 acre). Jon will email about the training.

**J & M Lumber Subdivision**-The Sub-divider contacted Commissioner Ranum regarding the progress on this property. Jon will contact the Planning Department to check on the progress and report to the Sub-divider.

**Baker Lake-Shannon Hewson**, Brosz Engineering sent information to DNRC regarding mitigation for the Baker Lake issues. Jon felt the County had plans to purchase land; the Commission is looking at all options available.

**SHOP REPORT**

**Auction**- County Auction items were discussed.

**New Backhoe**-The new backhoe is here; it did not come with a quick attach so they made a compromise.

**11:30 AM CLOSED SESSION-PERSONNEL**

**This meeting did not take place**

**RECESS**

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**1:15 PM RECONVENE**

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

**1:15 PM** Reviewed applications for the Museum Curator position.

**2:00 PM-AIRPORT AFFECTED AREA HEARING**

**PRESENT Craig Canfield**, KLJ; **Roger Meggers**, Airport Manager and **Mary Grube**, Planning Secretary; **No Public Members**

**Powder River Training Complex MOA** – Craig briefed the Commission on the answers he received at convention. Craig stated the FAA makes the final decisions on the airspace.

**PUBLIC HEARING-Baker Airport Affected Area Zoning Ordinance**

**Purpose and Intent**-The purpose of these regulations is to promote the public health, safety and general welfare of airport users and persons and property in the vicinity of the Baker Municipal Airport by addressing the effects of Noise, height of structures and trees, and land use in the vicinity of Baker Municipal Airport, in accordance with Section 67-7-203, MCA. These regulations are intended to protect the transportation and commerce infrastructure provided to the community by the Airport from incompatible development and to protect the Airport from personal or property injury claims due to noise and hours of operations. The Regulations are for the benefit of the City of Baker and Fallon County as Governing bodies of the Baker Municipal Airport.

**Discussion**-The group discussed height restrictions, land uses, (compatible and incompatible), around the Airport and updating the Land Use Plan, permitting process, and appeals.

**City of Baker**-The City of Baker will be holding their Public Hearing this Wednesday evening. There will then be a two week Public Comment period. After that time, if there is no public comment, both the City of Baker and Fallon County would sign a resolution adopting the AAA Regulations which would go into effect October 1, 2014.

**2:30 PM Mary Grube**, Planning Secretary

**Planning Board**-Mary provided each Commissioner a packet for the Planning Board meeting tonight at 7:00 PM in the Fallon County Courthouse Courtroom.

**Sixth Street Subdivision-Mary Grube** discussed **Dave DeGrandpre**, Land Solutions offered his assistance to review the large and complex 6<sup>th</sup> street Subdivision.

**Planning Department Report**-Mary submitted the weekly Planning Department report.

**Staffing**-Mary feels the Planning Department needs 2 people in addition to the Contract Planner. Mary asked if another person was hired what their title would be and also what would Mary's title be. The Commission will discuss this at a later time.

**3:20 PM Bobby Wiedmer**, Road Foreman and **Alba Higgins**, Shop Foreman met to discuss the crusher and conveyor.

**3:30 PM FOLDER REVIEW  
REPORTS/MINUTES/FLYERS**

**The Commission reviewed and/or approved the following:**

**Landfill AR Report**-September 15, 2014-Amount Due to the Landfill-\$125,671.38

**Treasurer's Cash Receipt Reports**-July, 2014-\$575,072.87

**Ambulance Financial Report**-August, 2014-Charges-\$14,700; Payments-\$17,296.12; Adjustments-\$2694.38

**Chamber Chatter Flyer**-August, 2014

**Extension Office Flyer**-Fall, 2014

**Detention Center Report**-August, 2014-9 prisoners held for 117 days-44 Fallon County; 71 City of Baker and 2 Carter County; Total Income received for the month \$150.00 from Carter County.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES**

**State of MT-DOT**-Fuel Tax Funds-September, 2014-\$4,139.00

**Bowers Oil and Gas, Inc.**-July, 2014- Oil and Gas Royalties.-\$11.64

**JK Cattle LLC**-Septic Permit-\$100.00

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Grant Close-Out**-A letter was received from the FAA for the Grant Closeout of the Baker Municipal Airport Project in the amount of \$1,675,803.

**Letter to Department of Commerce**-Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson the letter to the Department of Commerce regarding the CTAP Planning Grant. Fallon County noted they would like assistance in development and implementation of other land use planning tools as appropriate and requested by local governments such as housing policies (Workforce Housing) and Continued Education and Training opportunities through regular workshops offered throughout the region.

**Letter to Collect Debt**-County Attorney Batterman sent a letter, per instructions of the County Commission and Landfill Manager, to Stallion of the Rockies, LTD. This letter was sent to collect a debt in the amount of \$18,781.71; Letter was sent certified mail on September 9<sup>th</sup> and Stallion was given until October 10, 2014 to pay in full.

**Meals on Wheels**-During Project Assessment of Home Delivered Meals it was determined temperature checks should be performed on the routes.

#### **4:00 PM FAIR BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

**Don Buerkle**, Board Member attended.

Letters of interest were received from: **Jason Coulter**, **Lani DeBuhr** and **Jerrid Geving**. **Courtney Dietz's** letter was received after the deadline due to misunderstanding of the ad. After reviewing the letters the Commission voted on those eligible. **Lani DeBuhr** and **Jerrid Geving** were appointed to fulfill the open positions.

#### **4:30 PM PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one appeared for Public Comment.

#### **5:15 PM CLOSED INTERVIEW**

#### **6:00 PM RECESS**

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

#### **8:45 AM RECONVENE**

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

#### **9:00 AM CLOSED INTERVIEW**

#### **10:00 AM ADJOURN**

s/Deb Ranum, Chairperson

ATTEST:

s/Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder