

9:00AM CONVENE

PRESENT: Steve Baldwin, Chairman; William L. Randash, Member; Lani DeBuhr, Clerk

ABSENT: Deb Ranum, Member

FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

9:00AM COMMISSION WORK SESSION

MINUTES APPROVAL- The Commission reviewed the Commission Minutes for the weeks of May 9-13, 2016, May 16-20, 2016 and May 23-27, 2016.

Commissioner Randash made the motion to approve the Commission Minutes for the weeks of May 9-13, 2016, May 16-20, 2016 and May 23-27, 2016 with amendments. Being there was no second, Commissioner Baldwin stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays. The motion carried.

AMBULANCE BOARD RESIGNATION- Steve Stanhope submitted his Letter of Resignation from the Ambulance Board effective May 24, 2016.

Commissioner Randash made the motion to accept Steve Stanhope's resignation from the Ambulance Board. Being there was no second, Commissioner Baldwin stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH (MCH) CONTRACT- The Commission reviewed and Commissioner Baldwin, as Chairman, signed the Task Order/Contract #17-07-5-01-013 for Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Services.

JOB DESCRIPTION REVIEW- The Commission reviewed the 911/DES Coordinator job description. The Commission will set up a time to meet with Chuck Lee, 911/DES Coordinator, to discuss the job description with him.

CHANGE OF RATE OF APPROVAL FORM- The Commission reviewed and signed a Change of Rate Approval Form for Troy Hess, Road Department Employee, for successfully completing one year of employment.

WOSEPKA AUDIT CONTRACT REVIEW- The Commission reviewed and signed the updated one year Audit Contract with James. J. Wosepka covering the audit period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 for Fallon County without the yearly increase.

BOARD AGENDAS/MINUTES- The Commission reviewed Board Agendas and Minutes.

REVENUES- The Commission reviewed revenues received during the week.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/NOTICES- The Commission reviewed Department Reports, Newsletters and Notices.

EMAILS- The Commission reviewed emails sent to them from State agencies and other entities that required no discussion, action or decision.

10:00AM ROAD DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Present: Alba Higgins, Shop Foreman; Bobby Wiedmer, Road Supervisor; Shannon Hewson, Brosz Engineering; Darcy Wassmann, County Attorney

SHOP UPDATES- Alba Higgins gave updates on the equipment and vehicles being serviced or repaired this week.

PURCHASE APPROVAL- Alba asked the Commission if he could purchase a new engine for the 94' full size truck they have at a cost of \$1,500. Alba said other than the engine, the truck is in good shape and is already set up for what they use it for. The Commission gave approval.

ROAD UPDATES- Bobby Wiedmer said the Road Crew will finish placing gravel on the 101 Road and then will head to Ismay. Bobby said there wasn't enough rock in the gravel from Owens Pit 2 so they moved from there to the Beach pit. Shannon Hewson said he will provide the other gravel pile measurements to the Commission later this week.

BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS- Shannon Hewson gave the Commission estimates on the remaining bridge replacements to review. Shannon said he gave them an option to regrade the Webster Road Bridge although it isn't a requirement. Shannon said it would add an additional \$250,000 to the project since it would increase the culvert size considerably. Bobby said the regrading isn't necessary and with the high cost he advises against it and the Commission agreed. Shannon said if they wanted to regrade it in the future the box culvert would need to be lengthened. Commissioner Baldwin said he would like to replace the bridges according to the Capital

Improvement Plan since there is so much unknown in the economy right now. Alba said he did factor in replacing all the bridges in next year's budget but can always change this. Commissioner Baldwin said he would like to call Commissioner Ranum to get her opinion.

10:15am- Mike Kindzerski, MK Weeden Construction, joined the meeting.

10:15am- Commissioner Ranum joined the meeting via conference call.

The Commission reviewed the costs for each bridge with Commissioner Ranum. Commissioner Ranum said she is in favor of putting the bridges out to bid since construction costs are so low. Commissioner Ranum said if the bids come in too high they can always be rejected. Shannon said they can reject bids that are too high but if the bids come in close to the engineer's estimates it will be frowned upon if they are rejected. Shannon said because of this the Commission will need to decide if they definitely want to replace them before they go out to bid. The Commission said they will review the estimates in detail and make a decision when Commissioner Ranum is back in session.

10:25am- Commissioner Ranum ended the phone call and thereby left the meeting. Aba Higgins left the meeting.

MK WEEDEN CONSTRUCTION GRAVEL CONTRACT- Mike Kindzerski asked the Commission for a contract to be drafted between Fallon County and MK Weeden Construction for the gravel the County will be purchasing. Darcy Wassmann said she will draft the contract with the terms set forth in the initial proposal.

10:27am- Mike Kindzerski left the meeting.

The Commission and Shannon discussed the timeline of replacing the bridges if the Commission approves of them being replaced. Shannon suggested the two bridges on Webster Road be done at the same time to save on mobilization costs and the Commission agreed. Shannon said the Commission will still need to get Grant Right of Ways from the adjacent landowners of each bridge if they proceed with replacing them. Shannon said the only bridge that would need a by-pass would be the Coal Bank Creek Bridge as all other bridges have alternative routes.

10:30am- Darcy Wassmann left the meeting.

Shannon and the Commission discussed when the pre-cast culverts for the Westmore and Dryfork Bridges will arrive and when payment will need to be made. Shannon said the project will begin in July.

10:50am- Bobby Wiedmer and Shannon Hewson left the meeting.

11:00AM SALARY DISCUSSION

Present: Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder; Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder; Julie Straub, Human Resource Manager

Debbie Wyrick gave the Commission a breakdown of the total cost to the County of raise increments that have been proposed for them to review. Commissioner Baldwin said he had to excuse himself from the meeting and asked everyone to meet again at 1:15pm to begin the discussion of setting the salaries.

11:12am- Debbie Wyrick, Brenda Wood and Julie Straub left the meeting.

11:15am- Commissioner Baldwin excused himself from the meeting.

11:45am- Commissioner Baldwin returned to the meeting.

12:00PM NOON RECESS

Commissioner Randash made the motion to take a noon recess. Being there was no second, Commissioner Baldwin stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays. The motion carried.

1:15PM RECONVENE

PRESENT: Steve Baldwin, Chairman; William L. Randash, Member; Lani DeBuhr, Clerk

ABSENT: Deb Ranum, Member

FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

1:15PM SALARY DISCUSSION CONTINUED

Present: Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder; Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder; Julie Straub, Human Resource Manager

Commissioner Randash said he is in support of giving a 25¢ raise and asked those present for their opinion. Debbie Wyrick and Julie Straub said a small raise is better than no raise. Brenda Wood said she just wants to see the employees get some sort of raise because they deserve it. Commissioner Randash said he knows the County can afford a raise but is concerned about the public's perception. Commissioner Baldwin

agreed and said it isn't a matter of not valuing the employees but living like others in the area. The Commission said they would like to wait until they can discuss Commissioner Randash's suggestion of a 25¢ raise with Commissioner Ranum before making a final decision. Julie asked the Commission to also consider the Rifle Range Manager's wage and if step increases will be implemented for the position.

1:50pm- Julie Straub, Debbie Wyrick and Brenda Wood left the meeting.

2:30PM B & B FARMS DISCUSSION; BNSF FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

Present: Mary Grube, Planner Administrative Assistant

B & B FARMS CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY- Mary Grube submitted a Certificate of Survey for a Boundary Line Relocation within the SW ¼ of Section 27, T6N, R57E applied for by B & B Farms.

After reviewing the Certificate of Survey, Commissioner Randash made the motion to approve the Certificate of Survey for a Boundary Line Relocation within the SW ¼ of Section 27, T6N, R57E applied for by B & B Farms. Being there was no second, Commissioner Baldwin stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays. The motion carried.

Commissioner Baldwin, as Chairman, signed the Certificate of Survey.

BNSF FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT- Mary gave the Commission a Staff Report for the BNSF Floodplain Development Permit to replace a BNSF Bridge on Haar's property which is in the NW ¼ SW1/4 Section 11, Township 7 N, R59E to review.

After reviewing the Staff Report, Commissioner Randash made the motion to approve the BNSF Floodplain Development Permit to replace a BNSF Bridge on Haar's property. Being there was no second, Commissioner Baldwin stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays. The motion carried.

2:40pm- Mary Grube left the meeting.

3:00PM OLLIE ROAD ABANDONMENT HEARING

Present: Bev Burghduff, Ollie Landowner; Lee Ann Loucks, American Bank Center Mortgage Banking Officer; Scott Veroye, Ollie Landowner

Commissioner Baldwin called the hearing to order at 3:00pm and read Resolution 2016-11 Calling for the Public Hearing to Receive Public Input on Whether or Not the Board of Commissioners Should Abandon Petitioned Roads and an Alleyway in the Town of Ollie aloud.

Commissioner Baldwin asked for comments for or against this abandonment. Scott Veyore said he is not for or against abandoning the roads but wants clarification on one of the roads. Scott said he would like access to the corner of Rogers Ave. and 2nd Street as it borders his property. Bev Burghduff told Scott when the road is abandoned, the road is split in half with each property owner on either side getting ownership so he will continue to have access. Scott said that was the only thing he wanted clarified and has no objection to the roads and alleyway being abandoned.

3:07pm- Fred Hoff, Member of the Public, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Baldwin asked Fred Hoff if he had any comments he wanted to make. Fred said no, he was only wanting to know what roads were being abandoned and was wondering if it was all roads in Ollie. The Commission said no, they were only abandoning the roads and alleyway requested in the petition submitted to them from Bev. Fred said he had no objection to them being abandoned.

Commissioner Randash made the motion to abandon the roads and alley way described in Resolution 2016-11. Commissioner Baldwin asked if there was any further discussion and there was none. Being there was no second, Commissioner Baldwin stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays. The motion carried.

3:10pm- Bill Bagley, Member of the Public, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Baldwin asked Bill Bagley if he had any comments he wanted to make about the abandonment and Bill said no.

3:15pm- Bev Burghduff, Lee Ann Loucks, Scott Veroye, Fred Hoff and Bill Bagley left the meeting.

The Commission adopted and signed Resolution No. 2016-14 to abandon petitioned roads and an alley in the Town of Ollie.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-14
A RESOLUTION TO ABANDON
PETITIONED ROADS AND AN ALLEY IN THE TOWN OF OLLIE,
AS DESCRIBED HEREIN

WHEREAS the statutes of the State of Montana vest in the Board of Commissioners with authority and responsibilities regarding roads and bridges, such statutes are generally found in Title 7, Chapter 14, Montana Code Annotated; and

WHEREAS, the Board is aware that roads exist in Section 32, Township 10N, and Range 61E of Fallon County known as:

THE PORTION OF ROGERS AVE BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND SECOND AVENUE IN THE TOWN OF OLLIE

THE PORTION OF FIRST STREET BETWEEN ROGERS AVE AND NORTH AVENUE IN THE TOWN OF OLLIE

THE PORTION OF SECOND STREET BETWEEN ROGERS AVE AND NORTH AVENUE IN THE TOWN OF OLLIE

THE ALLEY IN BLOCK 7 IN THE TOWN OF OLLIE

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a notice of public hearing was advertised for two weeks beginning May 21st, 2016, whereas members of the public were encouraged to attend the public hearing set for May 31st, 2016 to offer comment on whether or not the foregoing described road should be abandoned as a county road; and any person not able to attend the hearing may submit written comments prior to the hearing, by sending or delivering such comments to the Board of County Commissioners, Fallon County Courthouse, Baker, MT 59313; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the **31st** day of **May, 2016**; at **3:00 PM** in the Commissioners' Office of the Fallon County Courthouse located at Baker, Montana to solicit public input as to the advisability of abandoning the foregoing described road and after receiving such input, the Board believes that to abandon such county roads and alley would be in the public's interest.

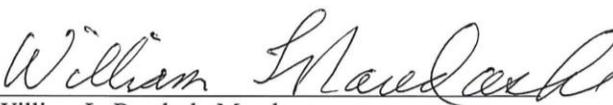
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 7-14-2615, Montana Code Annotated, the foregoing described roads and alley are hereby abandoned as public roads and alley and shall hereby not be used as public access.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 31st day of May, 2016.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA


Steve Baldwin, Chairman


Deb Ranum, Member


William L. Randash, Member




Brenda J. Wood,
WITNESS: Clerk and Recorder

3:30pm- The Commission called Commissioner Ranum to discuss the 25¢ raise Commissioner Randash had suggested during the Salary Discussion.

Commissioner Baldwin asked Commissioner Ranum if she would support giving the Elected Officials a 25¢ raise, the Deputies a 23¢ raise (90% of elected officials raise) and employees a 22¢ raise (85% of elected officials raise). Commissioner Ranum said she would support this.

Commissioner Randash made the motion to give the Elected Officials a 25¢ raise, Deputies a 23¢ raise and employees a 22¢ raise. Commissioner Ranum seconded the motion. Commissioner Baldwin asked for any further discussion and there was none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

3:45pm- Commissioner Ranum ended the phone call and thereby left the meeting.

4:00PM COUNTY ATTORNEY UPDATES

Darcy Wassmann, County Attorney, was unable to attend the meeting due to being in Court therefore it was canceled.

4:00PM ADJOURN

Commissioner Randash made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Being there was no second, Commissioner Baldwin stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays. The motion carried.

ADJOURN
s/Steve Baldwin, Chair

MINUTE TAKER:
s/Lani J. DeBuhr, Clerk

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