

9:00AM CONVENE

PRESENT: Deb Ranum, William L. Randash, Members; Lani DeBuhr, Recording Clerk

ABSENT: Steve Baldwin, Chairman

FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

9:00AM COMMISSION MINUTES APPROVAL

The Commission reviewed the Commission Minutes for the weeks of October 3-7, 2016 and October 10-14, 2016.

Commissioner Randash made the motion to approve the Commission Minutes for the weeks of October 3-7, 2016 and October 10-14, 2016. Being there was no second, Commissioner Ranum stepped down from being Chair and seconded the motion. 2 Ayes. 1 Absent. 0 Nays. The motion carried.

9:15AM HAIL DAMAGE CLAIM DISCUSSION

Present: Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder; Jason Rittal, County Development Advisor; Alba Higgins, Shop Foreman

All present discussed the bid specs for the hail damage repairs that will go out next week. The contractors will be given a week to inspect buildings and take measurements for bid submittal purposes. All present discussed setting a deadline and assessing liquidated damages if the work isn't completed by the due date. Jason Rittal gave updates on miscellaneous repairs that will be completed right away. The lights around Baker Lake will be changed to LED lighting per the insurance assessment report.

Debbie Wyrick gave updates on the vehicles that are being given to departments and the expectations that will be set forth for the use of these vehicles.

10:00am- Jason Rittal and Debbie Wyrick left the meeting.

10:00AM ROAD DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Present: Alba Higgins, Shop Foreman; Bobby Wiedmer, Road Supervisor

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

Road Updates- Bobby Wiedmer gave updates on the activities of the Road Crew this week.

Sather Rd.- There is a petition on this road but no easement. Bobby said the County normally doesn't take an easement until the road is built up and there is an occupied residency.

10:20am- Alba Higgins left the meeting.

Dry Fork Box Culvert- Shep's Welding brought in two additional loads of rip-rap since the culvert wasn't tying into the creek bank like they wanted. Shannon Hewson with Brosz Engineering gave them permission to do this.

10:35am- Shannon Hewson with Brosz Engineering joined the meeting.

10:43am- Jason Rittal, County Development Advisor, joined the meeting.

Railroad Avenue Study Results- Shannon reviewed the study results with the Commission. Shannon said the corners at the intersection would be just as tight as the intersection of HWY 12 and HWY 7 if they were able to obtain Right of Ways (ROW) from Burlington Northern. Shannon is of the opinion a by-pass down this route isn't possible unless Burlington Northern gives a ROW easement which they have said repeatedly they won't do. Jason Rittal said this route is also on City property and the City would have to be the ones to pursue it. Shannon said in addition this is a State corridor and the State should be the party who fixes it which they most likely won't do. The Commission agreed and said with the low oil activity it wouldn't be feasible now to pursue.

11:00am- Bobby Wiedmer, Shannon Hewson and Jason Rittal left the meeting.

11:00AM GOLF COURSE UPDATES

Present: Eric Kary, Golf Course Updates; Julie Straub, Human Resource Manager

Eric Kary gave updates on items he will be working on and said he doesn't expect to accrue overtime this week.

11:10am- Eric Kary and Julie Straub left the meeting.

11:15AM COMMISSION WORK SESSION

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.

11:45AM PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for Public Comment.

12:00PM NOON RECESS

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

1:00PM RECONVENE

PRESENT: Deb Ranum, William L. Randash, Members; Lani DeBuhr, Recording Clerk

ABSENT: Steve Baldwin, Chairman

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1:00PM KLJ ENGINEERING

Present: Travis Jones, KLJ Engineer

Travis Jones joined meeting to get clarification on the Baker Lake Clean-Up RFQ.

1:15pm- Travis Jones left the meeting.

1:15PM MOTOR GRADER BID OPENING

Present: Kevin Sedgwick, Tractor & Equipment; Mark Feland, RDO Equipment; Bobby Wiedmer, Road Supervisor; Alba Higgins, Shop Foreman

Commissioner Ranum opened the only bid received from Tractor and Equipment for the Motor Graders and read it aloud. The bid bond was in place and the cost for each Motor Grader is \$336,755 with no trade. The bid included accessory items: Snow Plow for \$16,275; V-Plow for \$7,500; Front Lift Group for \$6,750. The trade-in values for the Motor Graders that will be traded in are: \$214,000 (S#: R9T00160); \$209,500 (S#: R9T00157); \$209,500 (S#: R9T00158). The guaranteed buy back for these graders is: 3 yrs-\$268,700; 4 yrs-\$244,000; 5 yrs-\$219,500. The delivery time is 10-14 weeks.

1:25pm- Kevin Sedgwick left the meeting.

Mark Feland said RDO didn't submit a bid due to their traditional controls being so different from the two joy stick controls Fallon County has been using. Mark said John Deere is expected to have the joy stick controls in the next year and at that time they will be able to offer that to the County.

1:28pm- Mark Feland left the meeting. Kevin Sedgwick joined the meeting.

Alba Higgins said the cost of the graders are slightly higher than he budgeted for. Kevin Sedgwick said the market has been soft and the prices reflect that. Kevin said each year the price typically increases by 2% and to expect that increase if they wait until next year to purchase.

1:45pm- Kevin Sedgwick left the meeting.

Alba said the graders are \$2,250 more than budgeted for but the cost to the County would be significant if the graders went out of rotation and were no longer covered under warranty. Alba said next year the graders that will be traded this year will go out of rotation. Bobby Wiedmer suggested the graders and snow wings be purchased. Commissioner Randash said he is in favor of staying in the rotation if the budget can withstand it. The decision to award the bid was tabled until the budget can be looked at closer.

2:15pm- Alba Higgins and Bobby Wiedmer left the meeting.

2:15PM CLAIMS APPROVAL

The Commission reviewed and approved the October Mid-Month Claims in the amount of \$162,519.94 and they are filed in the Clerk and Recorder's Office.

4:00PM HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY CHANGE

Present: Debbie Wyrick and Alba Higgins, Insurance Committee Members

Debbie Wyrick asked the Commission to approve an amendment to the Fallon County Employee Medical Benefit Plan that defines an Elected Official's eligibility as it pertains to Fallon County Health Insurance. The additional wording states: A personal is eligible for elected official coverage throughout the time that he or she: Meets statutory requirements for the functionality of the office in which he/she was elected. For purposes of

this Plan, such an elected official shall be considered a Full-Time, Active Employee of the Employer. Debbie said this change needs to happen immediately to avoid a stop-loss claim from not being covered because elected official's employment status is not specified in the policy. The Commission gave permission for the policy amendment to be drafted.

4:15pm- Debbie Wyrick and Alba Higgins left the meeting.

4:15PM PLANNER UPDATES & EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT

Present: Mary Grube, Planner Administrative Assistant

Emergency Action Plan Amendment- Mary Grube is working on drafting an updated Emergency Action Plan. Mary said there is some confusion on who owns the Upper Baker Lake and Lower Baker Lake and is going to contact Sam Johnson with DNRC to get clarification on this before finalizing the Emergency Action Plan.

Flood Plain Updates- Mary gave the Commission updates on flood plain violations. Ken Schell is putting a notice in newspaper for the culvert work he will be doing in his parking lot.

4:50pm- Mary Grube left the meeting.

4:45PM WINTER SEASON DUTIES DISCUSSION

Present: Julie Straub, Human Resource Manager

Julie Straub and the Commission discussed the sharing of winter duties between departments. Commissioner Ranum is concerned about justifying the hours of the Special Projects Worker, Outside Building Maintenance Supervisor and Seasonal Fair Lead during winter hours, especially if we don't get a lot of snow during the winter. The Commission will meet with the Special Projects Worker and Outside Building Maintenance Supervisor to discuss this with them.

5:00PM EVENING RECESS

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016

12:00PM Commissioner Randash attended the Montana Petroleum Association Legislators' Briefing Tour in Miles City, MT.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016

12:00PM CONVENE

PRESENT: Deb Ranum, William L. Randash, Members; Lani DeBuhr, Recording Clerk

ABSENT: Steve Baldwin, Chairman

FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

12:00PM Commissioner Ranum and Commissioner Randash met with Micah Chambers, Congressman Zinke's Deputy Chief of Staff and Legislature Director, to discuss the Baker Lake Clean-Up project. Micah gave the Commission updates on Congressman Zinke's activities.

1:00pm- Micah Chambers left the meeting.

1:00PM ADJOURN

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