

**9:00 AM CONVENE**

**PRESENT: Deb Ranum, Chairman; Roy Rost, Steve Baldwin, Members; Kelsey DuCharme, Recording Clerk/Secretary**

**FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

**The Pledge of Allegiance was held in the Commissioner's Office to start off the week.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT –AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**9:14 AM Lynda Herbst, Inside Custodial Maintenance Supervisor joined the meeting.**

**Courthouse Valves-** Lynda asked the Commission about getting the domestic water on the valves and the heating checked in the Courthouse. The Commission would like to do whatever maintenance is needed on the valves. Commissioner Ranum would like a projection on the savings from the proposed light project. Lynda will get an estimate from Direct Electric.

**9:21 AM Lynda left the meeting.**

**Commissioner Rost made the motion to approve the minutes from the week of September 2-6, 2019, with corrections. Commissioner Baldwin seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

**9:29 AM Mary Grube, Assistant Administrative Planner joined the meeting.**

**Certificate of Survey for Fred Hoff-** Mary presented a Certificate of Survey for Fred Hoff's property. It is exempt from subdivision review because there is a highway that runs through it. Mary explained that the purpose is to separate the tracts in order to be able to sell one tract. There is 280.51 acres in the tract.

**Commissioner Rost made the motion to approve the Certificate of Survey for Fred Hoff for the North Half of Section 5, Township 8 North, Range 60 East of the Montana Principal Meridian of Fallon County. Commissioner Baldwin seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Auction Item-** There is a vinyl cutter in the Planning Department that is only used every couple of years by various departments. The Commission will check with Bobby Wiedmer, Road Supervisor, before deciding if it can go to County Auction or not. It was decided later on that the vinyl cutter will be placed in the auction.

**9:40 AM Robbie Christiaens, Parks Supervisor joined the meeting.**

**9:42 AM Mary left the meeting.**

**Parks Updates-** Robbie is working on the JC Park today with the company that is contracted with the City. He helped Eric Kary, Golf Course Superintendent, last week with a few projects before the weekend tournament. Organizations who are using the County picnic tables for community events will now be responsible to move the tables on their own. Bathrooms at Baker Lake will be shut down within the next few weeks for the winter, as well as winterizing the Splash Park water features. Discussion on other items that will be put into the County Auction.

**9:59 AM Robbie left the meeting.**

**10:03 AM Bobby Wiedmer, Road Supervisor; Alba Higgins, Shop Foreman joined the meeting.**

**County Auction-** Alba gave the Commission a list of items from the Road Department that will be going through the County Auction. This list includes various trucks, trailers, motors, etc. The oil burners from the Landfill will not be going to the County Auction because of the shape they are in.

**Road Updates-** A hose went out in one of the mowers. The Road Crew is working on getting it fixed this week. The ditch on Division Road has been cleaned out and the topsoil has been given to Iven Felt, Cemetery Caretaker.

**10:32 AM JK Kinsey, Kinsey Auction Service joined the meeting.**

**County Auction-** JK was given a list of items that will be sent to the upcoming County Auction. The Clerk and Recorder's Office will be clerking the auction. The date has now been moved to Wednesday,

October 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. JK reviewed the project proposal from Kinsey Auctioneers and Real Estate. The budget, expenses, project outline, executive summary, solution and referrals were reviewed and discussed in detail. It will be advertised in multiple different counties and locations. The auction agreement was given to the Commission for further review.

**11:08 AM JK left the meeting.**

**11:26 AM Alba and Bobby left the meeting.**

**11:27 AM Mary Grube, Assistant Administrative Planner; Rich Menger, Sanitarian joined the meeting.**

**11:30 AM JoDee Pratt, City Mayor; Luke Holstein, City Public Works joined the meeting.**

**11:35 AM Steve Zachmann, City Council Member joined the meeting.**

**Upper Lake Gate Discussion-** The City of Baker received a letter that was sent from the County to the NRCS regarding the Upper Lake Gate. The letter stated that the County will no longer be handling the bookkeeping for the Upper Lake Gate. Beforehand, Mary was documenting the activity with the gate but was not receiving all the data needed to correctly document the information. JoDee was unhappy that the letter was sent in the mail to the City and they were not notified beforehand. Luke oversees the gate activity. In case of an emergency, there will be a back-up for operation of the gates within the City. They will keep up on the mowing as well. The only thing the letter states is changing is where the record keeping is coming from, which is no longer the County. The City will keep in contact with the Commissioners regarding the annual inspection.

**11:56 AM JoDee, Luke, Steve, Rich and Mary left the meeting.**

**12:00 PM Commissioner Rost made the motion to recess for lunch. Commissioner Baldwin seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

## **NOON RECESS**

### **RECONVENE**

**PRESENT: Deb Ranum, Chairman; Roy Rost, Steve Baldwin, Members; Kelsey DuCharme, Recording Clerk/Secretary**

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### **PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

No one appeared for public comment.

### **Commission Work Session**

Commission reviewed various e-mails, correspondence, revenues, reports, board minutes and agendas.

**2:21 PM Steve Poldervart, Cameron Ickes, Colonial Life Insurance Company joined the meeting.**

**2:24 PM Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder joined the meeting.**

**Colonial Life Insurance Company Discussion-** Steve and Cameron gave a background of Colonial Life Insurance. They specialize in the public sector, including multiple counties within Montana. Debbie explained that the County is currently on the same life insurance policy as FMC, through the Montana Health Network. The County also works with Aflac and the health insurance is self-funded through EBMS. Steve explained the benefits that Colonial Insurance has to offer to County employees and families. The Commission would like to further look through the information provided.

**3:12 PM Debbie, Cameron and Steve left the meeting.**

**3:12 PM Commissioner Baldwin left the meeting.**

**4:28 PM Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager; Pat Ehret, Fair Board Member joined the meeting.**

**Appoint Fair Board Members-** There are two terms for the Fair Board that are up on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019. All the terms are for three years. Three applications were received for the positions.

**4:38 PM Commissioner Baldwin joined the meeting via phone call.**

**Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to re-appoint Alyse Webber to the Fair Board. Commissioner Rost seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 2 Ayes. 0 Nays. 1 Abstain (Commissioner Ranum). The motion carried.**

Commissioner Rost made the motion to appoint Matt Plaisted to the Fair Board. No second was received. Motion failed due to no second being received.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to re-appoint Pat Ehret to the Fair Board. Commissioner Rost seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 2 Ayes. 0 Nays. 1 Abstain (Commissioner Ranum). The motion carried.

4:43 PM Commissioner Baldwin hung up the phone, therefore leaving the meeting.

4:44 PM Shyla and Pat left the meeting.

4:45 PM Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder joined the meeting.

**Mill Levys-** Brenda explained that the budget contains more County mills than it was supposed to. She is waiting to hear from the auditors for further guidance. No budgets have been posted thus far.

4:50 PM Brenda left the meeting.

4:54 PM Commissioner Rost made the motion to recess the meeting. Commissioner Ranum seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 2 Ayes. 0 Nays. 1 Absent (Commissioner Baldwin). The motion carried.

### **EVENING RECESS**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

9:00 AM CONVENE

PRESENT: Deb Ranum, Chairman; Steve Baldwin, Member; Kelsey DuCharme, Recording Clerk/Secretary

ABSENT: Roy Rost, Member

FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

PUBLIC COMMENT –AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No one appeared for public comment.

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM - The Commissioners left to visit the remaining County departments for an accurate inventory list of County Auction items.

### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

The Weed Board Meeting was held on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM.

The Wellness Meetings were held in the Fallon County Library Basement on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 AM, 10 AM and 1:30 PM.

s/Deb Ranum, Chairman

Minutes:

s/Kelsey DuCharme, Recording Clerk

Attest:

s/Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder