

8:15 AM CONVENE

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

ABSENT: Roy Rost, Member

FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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

8:15 AM David Anderson, Quinn Guillory, Denbury Resources joined the meeting.

Denbury Updates- David reported that all the permits for the Denbury Pipeline are currently in hand. They plan to start the work on the pipeline during the second quarter of next year. The applications for road permits have been turned into the County and the landowner and environment issues have been resolved. They would like to do a similar road agreement to ONEOK's. The pipe has been purchased and is being held in Canada. Dust control was discussed, as the mag chloride that was used by ONEOK was put on the roads at the incorrect time. The Commission gave updates of the ONEOK pipeline and the different issues that occurred, as well as what worked well. David and Quinn will speak with Darcy Wassmann, County Attorney, regarding the road use agreement. They plan to video tape the road conditions prior to starting any work. The Commission is happy to hear that the pipeline is moving forward.

8:33 AM David and Quinn left the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT –AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No one appeared for public comment.

The minutes from September 5, 2019, during the FMC Updates portion needs correcting. It has been brought to the Clerk and Recorder's Office that they are incorrect. It should read "HPSA stands for Health Professional Shortage Area, this is not a company it is a designation that indicates health care provider shortages in primary care, dental and mental health. We have been designated a HPSA score through the "auto HPSA update" that has inaccurately reflected our Health Professional Shortage. Our HPSA score affects providers' reimbursement if they qualify for the NHSC Loan Repayment program and this is an important recruiting tool for family practice doctors to work in rural areas." – Margie Losing, FMC CFO."

The Clerk and Recorder would like to apologize for any inconvenience or mis-understanding this may have caused.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to make the corrections to the minutes from Thursday, September 5, 2019. Commissioner Ranum seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 2 Ayes. 0 Nays. 1 Absent (Commissioner Rost). The motion carried.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to approve the minutes from the week of September 9-13, 2019, with corrections. Commissioner Ranum seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 2 Ayes. 0 Nays. 1 Absent (Commissioner Rost). The motion carried.

8:45 AM Commissioner Rost joined the meeting.

8:47 AM Dustan Davis, IT TECH joined the meeting.

County Vehicle- Dustan would like to take a vehicle from the County Auction for the IT Department use. He currently uses the Colorado pick-up that is available to all employees but would prefer something of his own. The Commission gave Dustan approval to look into the vehicles that are being put into the County Auction. No vehicle was decided on.

8:56 AM Dustan left the meeting.

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

Public Hearing to Amend Budget Resolution- Brenda explained that the general fund was the only fund that was affected by the change in mills. It was \$190,988.00 difference. She was able to lower the mills to the correct amount and lower the cash reserve on the cash side. Nothing else was needing to be changed and the auditors are aware. The oil and gas funds were not changed. She also added \$20,000 to

the Commissioner's budget for the County road signs that Chuck Lee, DES-911 Coordinator will be purchasing, as they were not added into the budget beforehand. The scrubber at the Gun Range was misquoted during budget time. The cameras they will be purchasing were found at a lower cost. \$2,500.00 was moved from the capital project fund and going into the Gun Range budget.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to adopt Resolution #2019-2023 to amend the FY 2019-2020 budget. Commissioner Rost seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

9:41 AM Brenda left the meeting and the public hearing was closed.

9:51 AM Robbie Christiaens, Parks Supervisor joined the meeting.

Parks Updates- Robbie has been working on the JC Park for the City. The park should be open next Tuesday.

9:54 AM Bobby Wiedmer, Road Supervisor; Alba Higgins, Shop Foreman joined the meeting.

He plans to mow the rest of the week, as well as continuing the work on the items that are going to the County Auction. Discussion on the cement near the amphitheater.

10:02 AM Robbie left the meeting.

Denbury Road Use- The Commission gave Bobby and Alba an update of the Denbury Pipeline. Bobby explained that mag chloride works great for dust control if it is put on in the spring. He will read over the proposed agreement.

Road Updates- RDO is sending an employee to Baker to look at the Landfill Dozer. They are the only ones that can read the codes. Alba is unsure of what the issue is but believes it has to do with the transmission. Bobby put a 10 MPH speed limit sign on the Plevna Bridge, as it is starting to fail.

County Auction- The tractors from the Gun Range are ready for the County Auction. Other uses for these tractors for snow removal was discussed. They are starting to bring in items from the other departments for the auction.

10:28 AM Rich Menger, Sanitarian joined the meeting.

10:31 AM Alba left the meeting.

County Vehicle- Bobby asked permission to take his County vehicle home because he is always having to take his personal vehicle on calls during the weekend. The Commission agreed to Bobby taking the County vehicle home because of the source of his work.

10:36 AM Shannon Hewson, Brosz Engineering joined the meeting.

Iron Horse Park- The Road Crew needs to excavate and put in more gravel at Iron Horse Park. They will work on the schedule with Gamut Construction. The project is supposed to be completed by September 30th.

Project Updates- Shannon finally heard back from the Army CORPS regarding the Plevna North Structure Bridge. They are working towards moving forward; however, they are still waiting to hear back about the permit. Shannon gave the Commission the pay application for the Watershed Restoration Group for the removal of the planting fences. Documentation needs to be signed before it can be paid. Shannon explained that he is still working on the waterfall aeration plans for the grant that Rich has received. Rich applied for an extension, which is good until next July for completion.

10:51 AM Bobby left the meeting.

11:04 AM Shannon and Rich left the meeting.

11:05 AM Darcy Wassmann, County Attorney; Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder joined the meeting.

Terms of County Auction and Applicable Laws- Darcy reviewed the Kinsey Auction agreement for the County Auction. If something is over a \$2,500.00 value, it needs to be appraised before it can be sent to the auction. Most of the items are under that value. The items that are appraised will need a reserve price on them.

11:44 AM Brenda left the meeting.

11:47 AM Darcy left the meeting.

12:00 PM Thomas Culver, Senator Jon Tester's Representative joined the meeting.

Senator Tester Updates- Thomas asked the Commission if there are any updates from Fallon County or anything that Senator Jon Tester can be helpful with. The Commission let him know about the struggles with the Plevna North Structure Bridge and the permitting process, as it has been held up since January. There has been great progress with Baker Lake and the plantings. Denbury is moving forward with their CO2 green line.

12:27 PM Thomas left the meeting.

12:28 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.

LUNCH RECESS

RECONVENE

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

FALLON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

1:50 PM Darcy Wassmann, County Attorney; JK Kinsey, Kinsey Auctions joined the meeting.

County Auction- A contract was provided by Kinsey Auctions for the County Auction coming up on October 9, 2019. Darcy has reviewed the contract and has discussed the potential changes with JK. Once the contract is signed, items cannot be taken off the list.

2:00 PM Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder joined the meeting.

Discussion on clerking and figuring out the commissions. Darcy will make the changes to the contract before either party will sign.

2:06 PM Brenda left the meeting.

2:09 PM JK left the meeting.

Commission Work Session

Commission reviewed various e-mails, correspondence, revenues, reports, board minutes and agendas. They also reviewed and approved the distribution of oil and gas projection monies received for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to approve the distribution of Oil and Gas Funds per the letter sent to the Fallon County Treasurer, dated September 16, 2019. Commissioner Rost seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

2:11 PM Dalin Tidwell, Montana Stock Growers Association joined the meeting via conference call.

Memorandum of Understanding with MT Stock Growers Association- The Commission has received a Memorandum of Understanding from the Montana Stock Growers Association for predator control. Dalin stated that as money is deposited into the fund, each individual County is kept separate. The Commission would like to know what funds are used at the end of each year and how they have helped the Fallon County taxpayers. They have yet to receive a detailed report of what the money is going towards. They would also prefer to be billed twice a year, rather than once. Dalin explained how the funds are collected in other areas in the State, as they are not typically through the County. The Commission thanked Dalin for the information and looks forward to receiving reports of what the money is going towards.

2:22 PM Lisa Mitchell, Ambulance Director joined the meeting.

2:26 PM Dalin hung up the phone, therefore leaving the meeting.

2:28 PM Julie Straub, HRM; Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder; Jade Boggs, Insurance Store; Stacey Moore, Safety Committee Member; Shyla Hadley, Fair Manager joined the meeting.

2:30 PM Darcy left the meeting.

Follow-Up on Safety Concern- This meeting was called AS a follow-up of the placement of EMT personnel at the Fairgrounds events to ensure their safety, as well as allowing appropriate positioning of all activity. Lisa is concerned about the amount of space the EMS Crew is currently allowed, as they

cannot always visibly see all the action. They are also further away from the Grandstands than preferred. Shyla would like to invite the EMS Crew to come to the Fairgrounds before events and scope out the best area for them. The Fair Board will be flexible and help in any way possible. Lisa explained that the barriers for the Demolition Derby works great. The group discussed the possibility of the announcers to periodically state that children are not allowed on the fence. Discussion on the insurance side and what could be required to help the County even further in case of an accident.

2:55 PM Debbie, Jade, Shyla, Lisa and Stacey left the meeting.

Permission to Hire Administrative Assistant- After completing interviews, Kim Cuppy, Director of Public Health, would like to hire Melissa Staker as the Administrative Assistant for Public Health. She would start on September 30th.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to hire Melissa Staker for the Administrative Assistant Position for Public Health. Commissioner Rost seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

3:14 PM Julie left the meeting.

3:22 PM Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder; Debbie Wyrick, Deputy Clerk and Recorder joined the meeting.

County Auction- Brenda and Debbie have both reviewed the auction contract and have decided that it may work better to have Kinsey Auctions do the clerking. It takes a large amount of clerking and the program that Kinsey Auctions uses is much more efficient. The Commission is unsure of a couple of items within the agreement. They are reviewing further with JK and making the changes to the agreement needed before signing. A complete list of items will need to be given to JK before a commission can be decided upon.

Colorado Pick-Up- Dustan Davis, IT TECH, has asked the Commission for a County vehicle specifically for the IT Department. The Commission would like him to use the Colorado fleet pick-up. Brenda will send a letter to the department heads and let them know that Dustan now has that vehicle and will not be used for each department.

3:48 PM Brenda and Debbie left the meeting.

CLAIMS APPROVAL

The Commission reviewed and approved the mid-month September 2019 claims in the amount of \$903,397.29. They are filed in the Clerk and Recorder's Office.

The Commission reviewed and approved the special claims run for September 2019 in the amount of \$18,850.06. They are filed in the Clerk and Recorder's Office.

4:38 PM Eric Kary, Golf Course Superintendent joined the meeting.

Permission to Purchase- Eric asked for permission to purchase a TORO Greenspro 1260 greens roller from Midland Implement in the amount of \$12,962.00. He stated that it would be used multiple times a week to help flatten the greens at the Golf Course.

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to purchase the TORO Greenspro 1260 greens roller from Midland Implement in the amount of \$12,962.00. Commissioner Rost seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

4:50 PM Eric left the meeting.

4:54 PM Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to recess the meeting. Commissioner Rost seconded the motion. Commissioner Ranum asked for any other discussion; being none. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The Fair Board Meeting was held on Monday, September 16th at 6:30 PM at the Fallon County Fairgrounds.

The Health Fair for County Employees was held at the FMC Lab on September 17-18, 2019 from 7 AM – 12 PM.

The City Council meeting took place in the Fallon County Courthouse Courtroom on Wednesday, September 18th at 7 PM.

Fallon County Employee Safety Meetings were held at the Baker Fire Hall on Thursday, September 19th at 7 AM, 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM.

The Museum Board Meeting was on Thursday, September 19th at 4 PM.

MEETING ADJOURNED

s/Deb Ranum, Chairman

Minutes:

s/Kelsey DuCharme, Recording Clerk

Attest:

s/Brenda Wood, Clerk and Recorder