

AUGUST 1, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, were in the office this morning to discuss next year's Road and DES budget with Commissioner Peterson.

Mr. Seiler said they had received an easement request from MDU on some streets in Frazer and there was some question whether Valley County had jurisdiction over those streets, or if the Tribes had that responsibility. Mr. Seiler said he directed MDU to talk to the Tribes about their request.

Mr. Seiler and Mr. Tweten left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, joined the meeting to update them on the current activities in her department. She said that Lisa Redfield, Valley County Health Department, has put in her two weeks resignation and said she would now like to offer Tisa Seiler a full-time position.

Commissioner Peterson said that he felt this opening may not require that it become a full-time position.

Mrs. Boreson said that she and Tracie Vaughn, Valley County Health Department, are going to travel to Plentywood this week to review their immunization program to see if their method was something the Valley County Health Department may want to implement. Discussion followed.

Tisa Seiler, Valley County Health Department, will be going to Glendive to observe and learn the new Family Planning process from the Dawson County Health Department who is now contracted to administer Valley County's Family Planning program.

Mrs. Boreson said she would like to offer Ms. Seiler a full-time position now that Mrs. Redfield will be gone. Mrs. Redfield was the one who handled the Family Planning documentation and now Mrs. Boreson would like Ms. Seiler to take over that responsibility.

Chairman Pippin asked how the nurses were doing now that both positions were part-time. Mrs. Boreson said that with the clinic hours set, the nurses are doing much better giving them more time to get their other responsibilities completed. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Boreson said that Cam Shipp, Valley County Sanitarian, had told her there were more regulation requirements and she had thought maybe Tracie Vaughn may be needed to do more hours in his office. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Boreson left the office.

Mike Bain, Valley County Computer Technician, met with the Commissioners to give them his monthly report on what he is doing with Valley County's computer program. He said the changes made in the Annex by the Valley County Health Department ended up taking more time than expected. Mr. Bain said in the future, he would like to have a meeting with the department that wants to move or remodel to discuss the changes required before the project starts or decisions are made. Discussion followed.

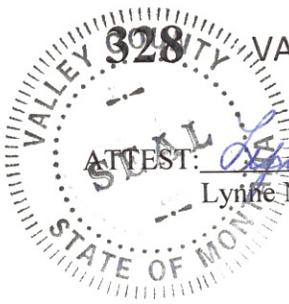
Mr. Bain said he has refurbished a computer, with the very basic programs, to be installed for the prisoners to use in the Detention Center. They are considering building a Plexiglas type of box cover to put over the monitor for protection.

Mr. Bain said he completed updating the networking system and reviewed some other projects he is working on and then left the office.

Robert Sheldon stopped in to request another Quit Claim Deed be written for some St. Marie condominium units he had purchased in 2009. He said that he thought the description was not accurate. He was told that the issue would be investigated and Mr. Sheldon left the office.

Chairman Pippin left the office to visit with Darrell Morehouse regarding the farm lease at the Airport.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

David L. Pippin
David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 5, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, joined the meeting to participate in the weekly Lewistown area fire restrictions conference call.

Mr. Carney informed Commissioner Peterson that he needs to take a Ford pickup, that was donated to Long Run Fire Department by Hi-Line Ford, to Missoula to have it fitted for some water tanks and sprayers. The State DNRC will pay for the equipment to be installed, he just has to get the pickup delivered and it will get done this winter.

After some discussion Commissioner Peterson agreed that Mr. Carney should deliver that pickup to Missoula and Long Run should pay for the fuel.

Mr. Carney called and participated in the Lewistown Area Fire Restrictions conference call. There was a review of the fire activity in the Lewistown area. There has been some precipitation in the area this past few days so the majority of the group felt they did not want to go into Stage I Fire Restrictions yet. They will see what this next week brings in fires and decide next week whether they need to go with fire restrictions. The call came to an end and Mr. Carney left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt and Chairman Pippin joined the meeting.

Commissioner Peterson informed the Commissioners that Mr. Carney would be delivering the pickup to Missoula to be retrofitted for water tanks and sprayers.

Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, joined the meeting.

Mrs. Boreson said she had an audit done on one of her grants and all went well. She said she is considering offering a full-time position to her current temporary employee since she lost a part-time employee.

Commissioner Peterson said that he was not sure that she had the budget nor the need to turn this into a full-time position. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Boreson left the office.

Chairman Pippin and Commissioner Reinhardt left the office to visit the Northeast Montana Fair activities.

Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

Steve Fossum dropped off a Zoning Compliance form to enlarge the Winderl Gravel Pit that needs to be signed by the Commissioners verifying there is no zoning requirements in Valley County.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

David L. Pippin
David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 6, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, member Bruce H. Peterson and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Chairman Pippin signed the Zoning Compliance form submitted by Fossum Ready Mix, Inc., for the Winderl Gravel Pit, verifying that Valley County had no zoning regulations to comply with.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to pay the Town of Nashua \$500 out of Pilt funds to supplement the utility costs for the storage of a Long Run Fire truck in their building. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, and Greg Menge joined the meeting.

Mr. Menge said that he would find out today if Century Inc. was awarded a bid to supply the gravel for the Rock Creek Road project. This bid will require 3,500 tons of bentonite to be hauled to the Anderson Pit which is located Northeast of Glasgow. He said this bentonite will be hauled from the old Bentonite Plant into Glasgow down Highway 246, then through the underpass up to Highway 2, east to Highway 24 North, and down this highway to the Cut Across Road and down that road to the Anderson Pit to mix with that gravel.

Mr. Carney said that this route does not affect any City of Glasgow streets, only Valley County Roads and the State of Montana highways. Discussion followed.

Mr. Menge said that their goal is to generate enough product to supply for the Bakken area needs. He said that they will have a maintainer at the Bentonite Plant that will maintain the road into the Plant and are willing to be active partners and participate with maintaining the County road. He said they do not want to cause any undue stress on the roads and that is why he is here today, they want to work with Valley County.

Mr. Menge said they plan on hauling the bentonite wet to minimize environmental issues. They would probably haul a lot of the product in the winter so it is hauled on hard frozen ground, causing less maintenance issues for the roads. The different transportation possibilities were discussed for future transport of this product.

Mr. Menge said they are in the process of completing the permitting process with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). They have had several hiccups in this process and he reviewed the history. The only surface landowner involved is the BLM and they have been basically supportive of their endeavor and working with them to get the permitting completed. Discussion followed.

Mr. Menge said if the permitting goes through, it will be for one million pounds of bentonite. The company that purchased the Bentonite Plant from Mr. Menge, S&B Industrial Minerals (S&B), is considering the construction of a processing plant once the permitting is completed. There will only be a drying pad located at the old Bentonite Plant, but no big facility there. They are hoping the pit will be opened up September 9, 2014, if the BLM approves and the permitting is completed. Mr. Menge has been retained as a consultant for this company.

Commissioner Peterson asked how the communities that are affected are reacting to the Bentonite Plant because he knew of one individual from Hinsdale that opposed this project.

Mr. Menge said that he has met with several people in Hinsdale and has found a lot of support, even though he knows of one who is opposing this development. Most of the Hinsdale people would like to see some employment opportunities offered, and a plant in the area would certainly provide that in addition to some employees at the Plant site. He said that they will be holding a public meeting soon regarding the permitting to get public input. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin joined the meeting.

Mr. Menge said they are allowed 25,000 tons to be hauled out before a severance tax is accessed and he believed thereafter the majority of the taxes will become Valley County tax revenue that could be used to help maintain these roads. MCA § 15-39-101 and 110 regulated how the taxes are collected and dispersed. He said there will be a scale set up at the Bentonite Plant site for verification. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that if S&B was going to provide some road maintenance, they would probably need an agreement signed between them and Valley County for liability purposes, documenting the conditions and giving S&B the authority to be on the road doing road work. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Peterson said that Valley County is supportive of S&B's endeavor and once they get to the point they will be hauling the 100,000 plus tons, they would like to have Mr. Menge come back in to discuss the road maintenance issues.

Mr. Menge and Mr. Carney left the office.

Norm Girard visited with Chairman Pippin about the Museum's FY 2014-15 budget, making some adjustments.

Chairman Pippin began Discussion and Decision at 10:35 a.m.

Chairman Pippin asked for any additions and/or deletions to the agenda and none were given.

Chairman Pippin asked for public comment and there was nobody present to submit any public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Lisa Murdoch as a part-time Board Secretary for the Airport Commission Board, beginning August 13, 2014, at \$13.50 per hour, with no benefits. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Dennis Collins who is retiring from the Road Department effective August 31, 2014. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Lisa Redfield from the Health Department, who has quit, effective August 15, 2014. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and passed.

The 10 Mill Road Levy was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that Valley County needs a motion to put this request on the November ballot.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to adopt the following Resolution that that directs the Valley County Clerk and Recorder to put the 10 Mill Road Levy on the ballot for the November election, 2014. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 27-2014
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN ELECTION TO
AUTHORIZE THE VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
TO LEVY TEN (10) MILLS PER YEAR
(APPROXIMATELY \$221,890)
FOR THREE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING 2015-2016, AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER
THROUGH 2017-2018
FOR CONSTRUCTING PUBLIC HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES
FUND NO. 2112

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated [MCA] § 7-14-2507 provides that the Board of County Commissioners may make an additional levy upon the taxable property in the county for constructing public highways and bridges, which tax is in addition to that authorized by § 7-14-2501; and

WHEREAS, MCA Title 15, Chapter 10, Part 4, limits the amount of taxes levied to the amount levied for tax year 1996; and

WHEREAS, MCA § 15-10-425(1) provides that before the additional levy may be made, the question must be submitted to a vote of the people as provided in MCA § 15-10-425(2); and

WHEREAS, MCA § 15-10-425 and 7-14-2501 authorizes the governing body to impose the amount specified in this resolution if the majority voting on the question are in favor of the levy;

WHEREAS, MCA § 7-14-2501(2) provides that the road tax levy does not apply to incorporated cities and towns; and

WHEREAS, the financial impact for 2015 would be approximately \$24.70 on a home with a taxable market value of \$100,000, and \$49.40 on a home with a taxable market value of \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has duly reviewed and considered this matter and finds as follows:

1. That the present road tax is insufficient to adequately maintain the public roads and bridges within the county.
2. That there are no alternative sources of revenue from which to maintain said roads and bridges.

3. That it is in the best interests of the residents of the county to obtain additional funds for road maintenance within the county.
4. That an additional ten (10) mills per year will be sufficient for such road maintenance.
5. That approximately ten (10) mills will be required to raise the required amount.
6. That the levy shall be effective for three fiscal years, beginning 2015-2016 and each year thereafter through 2017-2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners:

1. That the Valley County Clerk and Recorder, as Election Administrator, is hereby directed to prepare an election ballot for consideration of the electorate living within Valley County, excluding the electorate living within the incorporated boundaries of Glasgow, Fort Peck, Nashua and Opheim, on the issue as to whether the Board shall be authorized to levy ten (10) mills (approximately \$221,890), per year upon the taxable property in the county for the purpose of constructing public highways and bridges.

Per MCA § 15-10-425, the language for this ballot issue will be as follows:

LEVY FOR CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF
PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

Shall the Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana be authorized to make a levy of Ten (10) mills per year (approximately \$221,890), for three fiscal years, beginning 2015-2016 and each year thereafter through 2017-2018, upon the taxable value of all property within the County subject to taxation for the purpose of construction, maintenance and improvement of Public Highways.

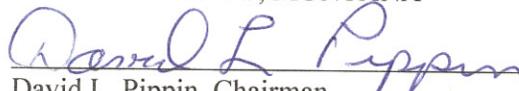
Ten (10) mills (approximately \$221,890) should result in a financial impact for 2015 of approximately \$24.70 on a home with a taxable market value of \$100,000 and approximately \$49.40 on a home with a taxable market value of \$200,000.

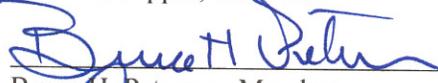
FOR authorizing the Board to make the levy.
AGAINST authorizing the Board to make the levy.

2. That said election shall be held on November 4, 2014, the same day as the general election.
3. That the Valley County Clerk and Recorder shall publish notice of this election as provided in MCA § 13-1-108.
4. That said levy, if approved, shall be effective for three fiscal years, beginning 2015-2016 and each year thereafter through 2017-2018.
5. That the revenue received will be for the specific purpose of contracting to crush gravel and contracting to gravel county roads; and the revenue will be spent approximately equal among the three Valley County Commissioner Districts.

DATED this _____ 6th day of August, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA


David L. Pippin, Chairman


Bruce H. Peterson, Member


David Reinhardt, Member



ATTEST:


Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

Chairman Pippin said that this request is for three years and will have to be voted upon again after that time.

The last item on the agenda was the Resolution Implementing Stage 1 Fire Restrictions in Valley County.

Chairman Pippin said that it was decided to hold off another week to see how the conditions are in Valley County before any fire restrictions are adopted. So, there will be no action taken to implement any fire restrictions at this time based on the recommendation from Dan Carney, Valley County Fire Marshall.

Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder, informed the Commissioners that the Transportation meeting that she just had went very well. She updated them on some changes in the bus routes for the next school year.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, informed the Commissioners that the compressor on the newly installed walk-in freezer for the Detention Center needed some repairs. Hi-Line Refrigeration had installed the freezer and it should have been under warrantee, but Mr. Price is out of town so Sheriff Meier called Dales' Plumbing to come and repair it. After some minor repairs, the freezer is working. There has been a new fan blade ordered to be replaced, but it is working okay for now. There was some discussion that Hi-Line Refrigeration should maybe pay for this repair because it should have been under warranty.

Sheriff Meier and Mrs. Nyquist left the office.

Shelley Mills, Extension Agent, joined the meeting and visited with the Commissioners about the just completed Northeastern Montana Fair. Ms. Mills said that overall everything went well and the Fair Commission was very cooperative when needed for 4H activities. She said she thought the overall attendance was down this year.

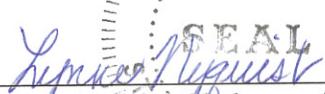
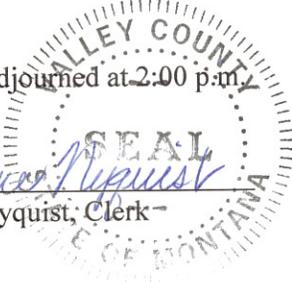
Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

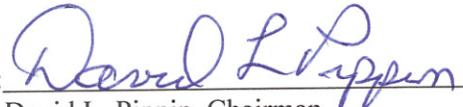
Janice Reichelt, LAC Chairman and ESAA Vice President, joined the meeting. Mrs. Reichelt lives in Phillips County and has been a nurse at the Malta Hospital for over thirty years. The purpose of the ESAA is to collaborate with the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS).

Mrs. Reichelt, visited with Chairman Pippin about her frustration and endeavors to improve the method mentally ill patients are handled through the legal system. She has been an advocate for the mentally ill trying to improve the services that are available to help them to get through the legal system. She said it would be much more cost effective to identify and help these patients before they fall into the legal services and she believed there were funds available to develop those services. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Reichelt said she would be in contact with Commissioner Peterson because he was a board member of the Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center (EMCMHC) and she wanted to gain their support and she left the office.

Chairman Pippin signed the Government/Municipal/Public Funds Banking Resolution that appoints Brenda Anderson as the Valley County Treasurer who is the designated depositor for Valley County.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.
ATTEST: 
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk - 

ATTEST: 
David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 7, 2014

Chairman Pippin was in the office in the morning.

AUGUST 8, 2014

Chairman Pippin was in the office for a while in the morning.

AUGUST 11, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

This being the last day for hearing persons or taxpayer comments or protests of the 2014-15 county and school district budgets, it is hereby noted none appeared. Since the budgets were not finalized, they will be set at a later date.

Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend a meeting in Wolf Point regarding the possibility of hiring a human relations person to be shared by several counties.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, visited with the Commissioners about getting a vehicle for drug task duties.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Sheriff to trade in a drug forfeiture vehicle on a 2011 Tahoe from Newton's Motor, at a cost of \$7,600 difference, to be paid out of Drug Task funds that will be used for a drug taskforce vehicle. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried.

Sheriff Meier discussed a quote from Stanley Cameras for \$22,585 to add cameras in the Detention Center and around the Courthouse.

After some discussion it was decided to put this on the agenda for the Commissioners to consider. Sheriff Meier left the office.

Brian Austin, Valley County Refuse District Supervisor, joined the meeting.

Mr. Austin said the road repairs were done on the Refuse Road and said that they would have to pay for it with the County's help.

Mr. Austin said that the scale inspector had come and inspected the Refuse District scale and it is out of tolerance and needs to be replaced. He said they could possibly turn the deck over and make some adjustments and use it that way, but no guarantees. Mr. Austin thought it would cost around \$40,000 to \$60,000 to get a new scale. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that the Refuse District would have to make a decision on the scale, not the Commissioners.

Mr. Austin left the office.

Wayne Waarvik, RDO Equipment, visited with the Commissioners.

Mr. Waarvik left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt and Chairman Pippin left the office to attend a funeral.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

Chairman Pippin and Commissioner Reinhardt returned to the office.

Jackie Bird and Stone Tihista, Valley County Weed/Mosquito Coordinator, joined the meeting to discuss a retirement party for Rick Stellflug who has retired from the Valley County Mosquito/Weed Coordinator. This event will be scheduled for September 6, 2014.

Colleen Pankratz, Valley County Transit Supervisor, updated the Commissioners on the Transit's new dispatching program.

Commissioner Peterson submitted a Notice of Employment for Nancy Hamilton, who is the full-time Safety Coordinator for Valley, Roosevelt, Daniels and Sheridan Counties, increasing her pay from \$17.00 to \$17.75 per hour, retroactive to July 1, 2014.

Commissioner Peterson said that this decision to increase Mrs. Hamilton's salary was made at the meeting he attended earlier this morning in Wolf Point with the same counties regarding the possibility of sharing a human relations person as they currently do with the Safety Coordinator position.

Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, visited with the Commissioners about a request from the Long Run Fire Department to have the Valley County Road Department do some of the dirt work that has to be done for the building of the foundation for the new Long Run Fire Hall project. Mr. Tweten

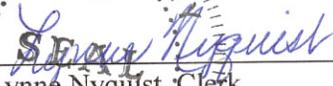
said after speaking with Roger Waarvik, who is engineering the building project, it sounds like a much more complicated task than what the Valley County Road Department can do. The Commissioners agreed that the Road Department is not qualified to meet the necessary requirements for this project.

Mr. Tweten left the office.

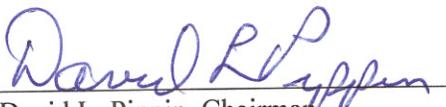
A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to pay for five wireless keyboards and one mounting stand for the Valley County Dispatch out of Local Option Tax for a cost of \$99.98. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

ATTEST:


Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:


David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 12, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Chairman Pippin was not in the office today because he was in Miles City attending the District 1 meetings sponsored by MACo. Commissioner Peterson was acting Chairman in his absence.

Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, joined the meeting to participate in the weekly Lewistown Area Fire Restrictions Conference call. After a review of the fire activity, which was still low, the group felt the hot dry weather would soon be here and the conditions would turn dry. The call came to an end and Mr. Carney left the office.

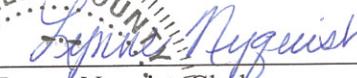
A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and carried unanimously to approve the minutes for the month of July, 2014.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office for the day.

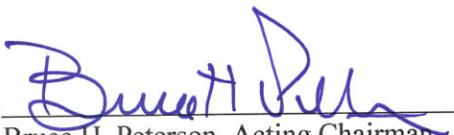
Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

ATTEST:


Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:


Bruce H. Peterson, Acting Chairman

AUGUST 13, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, joined the meeting to discuss his DES program grants.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign a grant from the Department of Military Affairs for Project PDMC-PL-08-MT-2013-002, PDM for \$122,666.68, to be used by Valley, Sheridan, Roosevelt and Daniels County to update each County's Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan(PDMP), at a participation cost of \$7,666.67, to each County involved. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to sign the Emergency Management Performance Grant, from Montana Department of Military Affairs, which funds Valley County's DES program for \$77,072.28, 50/50 match for Valley County of \$38,536.13, to run from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to sign the Emergency Management State and Local Agreement outlining the agreed upon activities and products included in the funding of the Valley County

DES program effective Federal Fiscal Year 2015, October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Homeland Security Grant Program for \$50,000, no match requirement, Project titled FFY13 HSGP EOC and Red Cross Shelter Backup Generator, to install an emergency backup generator to provide power in an emergency situation for the Valley County Emergency Operating Center (EOC) and Red Cross Shelter Backup. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion passed.

Chairman Pippin and Commissioner Peterson left the office from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to attend the Employee meeting.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, was in to inform the Commissioners that he cannot trade in a vehicle that was received through a "drug forfeiture" case. It has to be sold at public auction and he is working with Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, to make sure he follows the correct procedure. He said that Valley County can purchase the vehicle at the auction then use that money to purchase a drug forfeiture vehicle.

Sheriff Meier left the office.

Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier, and her Father, Rob Davidson, joined the meeting.

Chairman Pippin began Discussion and Decision at 10:30 a.m.

There were no additions and/or deletions to the agenda.

Chairman Pippin asked for any public comment and none was given.

The first item on the agenda for action was Notices of Employment/Termination.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Erika Austin as a part-time Office Clerk for the Fair Commission beginning August 1, 2014, at \$9.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Resolution Implementing Stage 1 Fire Restrictions in Valley County.

Chairman Pippin said that it was decided by Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, that Valley County will not yet go into Stage I Fire Restrictions. There were eight fires in Valley County this past week and the weather continues to be hot and dry so it is highly possible we will go into Stage I Fire Restrictions next week if we don't get any moisture.

Stanley Security Solutions quote for Security Cameras was the next agenda item.

Chairman Pippin said Valley County got a quote from this company in September of last year to install an additional ten security cameras in the Detention Center and the Valley County Courthouse lobby area. This is the final build to complete the security system for the Detention Center. These cameras will tie in the Courthouse lobby, hallways, and some outside areas for Dispatch to monitor in addition to six more cameras in the Detention Center.

Commissioner Peterson asked if this project was bid and Chairman Pippin said that this company originally put the cameras and security system in the Detention Center when it was built, and they would like to stay with them to match up with the current equipment.

The bid amount from Stanley Security Solutions was \$22,585 and since that bid was done, it has been decided that they do not need a couple of the cameras so the bid will be adjusted to around \$21,000.

Commissioner Peterson asked if this decision had to be made today and Chairman Pippin said yes and asked for a motion.

Chairman Pippin said Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, had requested that more cameras be installed in the DUI booking area to verify actions being taken for legal issues and this will also provide necessary security for the Courthouse.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to accept the bid from Stanley Convergent Security Solutions to purchase eight security cameras to be installed in the Detention Center and the lobby of the

Valley County Courthouse to be paid out of Local Option Tax funds at a cost of no more than \$21,500. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and he asked for discussion.

Commissioner Peterson said that he is worried about the budgets and they need to prioritize the projects, but he does realize that this needs to be done.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that if this is taken out of Local Option, it does not affect the budgets.

Chairman Pippin said that this was part of the original design for the Detention Center, but it was not done at the time of construction because there were already some 35 cameras for Dispatch to monitor. We wanted to allow Dispatch to get comfortable with the program before these additional security cameras were added their system. This bid also includes a DVR setup that will improve the quality of recordings and pictures for court use.

Chairman Pippin called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Refuse Road repairs.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he had this put on the agenda but it was decided to wait until after budgets were done to verify what money is available to pay for the road repairs so this can be tabled until budgets are completed.

Commissioner Reinhardt said the bill from Adam's Asphalt for \$38,820 has been submitted so he will ask the Refuse District to pay this invoice and once budgets are completed the Commissioners will consider giving the Refuse District whatever money that is agreed upon for this project.

The Builders Risk/Course of Construction Policy for the Valley County Historical Museum project was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that it was brought to his attention that the contractor, Carney Construction, who is constructing the new building for the Museum did not have this coverage, even though it was required in the bidding documents. Chairman Pippin said that he asked United Insurance to go ahead and get that coverage, the Museum will pay for it, and then deduct it from the first invoice submitted by Carney Construction.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson that the Museum will pay for the Valley County Historical Museum's Builder's Risk/Course of Construction Policy, from United Insurance, at a cost of \$425, to be reimbursed by the contractor, Carney Construction. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

The proposed Human Relations (HR) Position was the next item to be discussed.

Commissioner Peterson said there is no action to be taken at this time, he just has an update. Valley County is in a partnership with Roosevelt, Daniels and Sheridan Counties to share a Safety Coordinator, and are now looking at doing the same with an HR person. He said he had a meeting in Wolf Point on Monday to discuss this possibility and those counties are interested in adding this position to the partnership.

Commissioner Peterson said he is currently working on the job description for an HR person to be distributed to the four counties for consideration. Each County will probably have a different way to handle some of the procedures based on their individual policies. The HR person will probably designate one day a week to be in each County.

The funding for the Safety Coordinator is a prorated cost based on each County's number of full-time employees (FTE), and the funding for the HR position is proposed to be done the same. He said that Valley County was the first in the State to develop this partnership with a Safety Coordinator and he believed they will be the first to have a shared HR person too. Discussion followed.

The Davidsons left the office.

Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, updated the Commissioners on the Health Department changes and new schedule. She said she will be meeting with Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier, giving Mrs. Davidson an update on the new schedule and changes at the Valley County Health Department to be published in the newspaper. She submitted a copy of the various schedules for the Commissioners to review.

Mrs. Boreson said that she has developed a Valley County Health Department Face Book page. She has posted all the schedules and upcoming events such as flu shots and other pertinent information.

Mrs. Boreson said Ella Tweten and Leslie Simensen, Valley County Health Nurses, and Tisa Seiler, Health Department Secretary, were all going to Glendive tomorrow to get some training from them on their Family Planning program. This is being done because Dawson County is now head of the Valley County Family Planning program, and Valley County will have to learn what Dawson County will need to do the billing and ordering of supplies and figure out the best method to meet everyone's needs. After discussing a variety of health department services and issues Mrs. Boreson left the office.

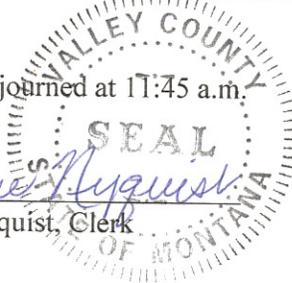
Commissioner Reinhardt left the office for the day.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

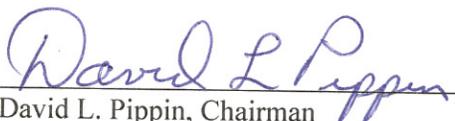
Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend the City-County Library Board meeting at 1:00.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'David L. Pippin'.
David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 14, 2014

Chairman Pippin was in Billings today and tomorrow to attend the Property Rights Conference in Billings sponsored by United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM).

Commissioner Peterson was in the office for a while today.

Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend the Council on Aging (COA) Board meeting and then to the Transit Board meeting.

AUGUST 18, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, updated the Commissioners on an event over the weekend that involved a Daniel's County prisoner.

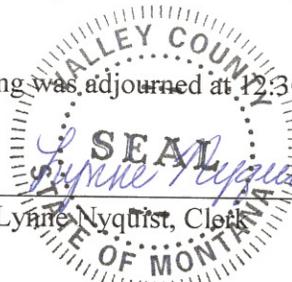
Todd Young, Valley County Road Supervisor informed the Board that Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, was taking a few days off and Mr. Young will be scheduling and administering the road crew in Mr. Tweten's absence.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

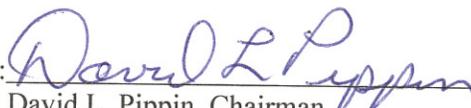
Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, visited with Commissioner Peterson about the Valley County Health Department's budget for the next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'David L. Pippin'.
David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 19, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, joined the meeting to participate in the weekly Lewistown Area Fire Restrictions Conference call. After a review of the fire activity, with much less fires this week, the group felt the hot dry weather was going to change with the forecast of rain for the area, and there would not be any Fire Restrictions adopted yet this week. The call came to an end and Mr. Carney left the office.

The Valley County Conservation District Board submitted an updated Bison Ordinance document for the Commissioners to review. This document was also forwarded to Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, who reviewed it and Mr. Murnion confirmed that he had no concerns with the new document.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Joleen Cotton, Valley View Home, visited with the Commissioners about getting some bids on the roof at Valley View and asked if the County would like to have the roofing company consider looking at the Valley County Courthouse roof also. The Commissioners asked that she have the roofing company contact them when in the area.

Mrs. Cotton visited with the Commissioners about the possibility of Valley View bidding to provide meals for the Valley County Glasgow senior citizens.

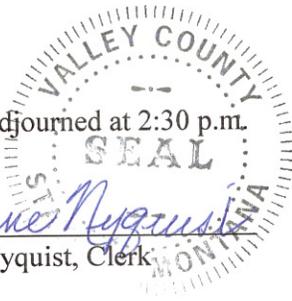
Mrs. Cotton left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office to attend the LEPC/E911 Board meeting at the hospital over the noon hour.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 20, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Commissioner Peterson and Joanne Strommen attended the monthly Safety Committee meeting this morning.

Stan Ozark, KLTZ/Mix 93, and Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier joined the meeting.

Chairman Pippin began Discussion and Decision at 10:35 a.m.

Chairman Pippin asked for any additions and/or deletions to the Agenda and Commissioner Reinhardt said that he would like to discuss his visit to St. Marie and the roads there.

Chairman Pippin asked for any public comment and none was given.

The first agenda item for action was Notices of Employment/Termination.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notices of Employment for Curtis Leader and Cray Seiler as a temporary, part-time Operators for the Mosquito District beginning July 31, 2014, at \$11.35 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

The Resolution Implementing Stage 1 Fire Restrictions in Valley County was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, was not ready to implement any fire restrictions yet. The weekly Lewistown Area Fire Restrictions Conference call deemed that the cooler weather and some moisture has reduced the fire danger so no restrictions need to be set at this time.

Bids for a backhoe for the Road Department was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that he would entertain a motion to proceed with the bidding process to gather prices to see what it would cost to replace the backhoe at the Road Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to advertise for bids to replace the backhoe for the Valley County Road Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson.

Commissioner Peterson said that he understands that Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and Todd Young, Valley County Road Supervisor, believe this to be their top priority at this time and that it will be paid out of Six County Funds, which will pretty much deplete that balance. The Road Department will need to make sure that there is not something else that they will need.

Chairman Pippin asked for the vote and the vote to proceed with advertising for bids passed unanimously.

VALLEY COUNTY
ROAD DEPARTMENT

CALL FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, will at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, the 16th day of September, 2014, in their office at the Valley County Courthouse, open sealed bids for the purchase of one:

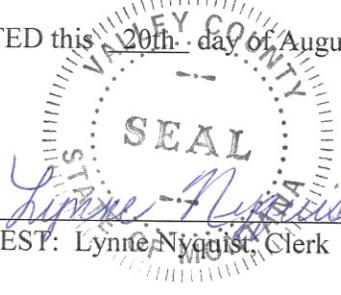
Backhoe Loader

A detailed list of specifications may be obtained by contacting the Valley County Commissioners at 501 Court Square #1, Glasgow, Montana 59230, telephone (406) 228-6219, or emailing your request to vccomm@valleycountymt.gov.

NO BID WILL BE CONSIDERED UNLESS accompanied by a bid bond, bank draft, money order or cashier's check in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid. The bid shall be presented in a sealed envelope containing a complete copy of the bid and specifications clearly marked "**BACKHOE LOADER BID DOCUMENTS**".

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, to waive irregularities, or to accept any bid they deem to be in the best interest of Valley County.

DATED this 20th day of August, 2014.

A circular seal for Valley County, Montana, with the word 'SEAL' in the center. The seal is partially obscured by a signature and a line.

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk


David L. Pippin, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

(Publish September 3 and 10, 2014)

The Treasurer's Report for July 31, 2014, was the next agenda item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously to sign the updated Valley County Treasurer's Report for the month ending July 31, 2014.

The next item on the agenda was to publish the Notice of Hearing County proposed budgets.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to publish the following Notice in the local paper. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

The Valley County Clerk and Recorder posted the following Notice in the local paper;

**NOTICE OF HEARING
COUNTY PROPOSED BUDGETS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Sections 7-6-4020 through 4024, MCA, that all budgets for Valley County Officers and Institutions have been filed in this office and that such budgets have been tabulated and considered and declared to constitute the County proposed budgets for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. All of said budgets are now on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder and are open for inspection by the public.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Commissioners will hear any taxpayer relative to budget requirements and increases, and above stated monies, thereto during their regular session September 17, 2014, and will continue from day to day until the final budget is approved and adopted, using the estimated value of a county-wide mill of \$25,732 estimated value outside the city and town limits of \$22,197, subject to the condition that if the certified millages are either higher or lower than estimated, the budget will be proportionally raised or lowered.

Lynne, Nyquist,
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

The last item on the agenda, that was added by Commissioner Reinhardt, was to discuss his visit to St. Marie.

Commissioner Reinhardt said he had gone to St. Marie this morning because he had received several complaints about the roads there. He looked at the roads and there are about six holes that need to be filled. The Valley County Road Department filled some holes on the St. Marie roads and they have settled and now need more filling added. Commissioner Reinhardt said he spoke with Todd Young, Valley County Road Supervisor and Mr. Young said they had to order more product and were planning on going up to St. Marie to do more work on their roads, so they will take care of those pot holes.

Chairman Pippin said the roads in St. Marie are not Valley County Roads and the County has no liability or requirements to maintain those roads. When the old airbase was given to Valley County the roads were dedicated to the public and there were no petitions granted for right-of-ways for a Valley County Road. Some discussion followed.

Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Ozark left the office.

Emily Wilson, Glasgow City-County Library Director, joined the meeting to discuss her desires to replace some furniture. She said that in April the Valley County Commissioners had said they would donate up to \$16,000 towards the remodel in the children's area of the Library, but Mrs. Wilson received grant funds from Burlington Northern Railroad of just over \$12,000, and only needed about \$4,000 from the county for that remodel project.

Mrs. Wilson said that left a balance of \$12,000 from what the County had agreed to donate. She handed out the proposal of furniture she wanted to purchase that totaled \$4,765. She reviewed the list and where the furniture would be located and asked if the Commissioners would fund the furniture purchase from the money that they had originally agreed to give the Library.

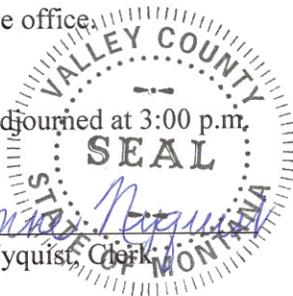
Commissioner Peterson said that the Commissioners are currently working on the budgets and should have an answer for Mrs. Wilson next week.

Mrs. Wilson left the office.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 24, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in an emergency session, by telephone conference call, from the Office of the Valley County Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin present, and members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt in attendance via the telephone at 2:00 p.m.

Mark Gruener, DES District 6 Representative and Bob Steele, Maintenance Supervisor, were present for this call.

Due to the heavy rainfall which began Thursday night, it caused the rise of flood waters which in turn caused extensive damage to private property and Valley County Roads. This emergency meeting is being held to declare an emergency for Valley County to align the emergency assistance from State agencies if the need arises.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to execute the following Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously:

COUNTY DISASTER RESOLUTION - FLOODING
Valley County, Montana
RESOLUTION NO. 28-2014

WHEREAS, heavy rains that began falling on August 21, 2014, have caused extensive flooding in Valley County, and,

WHEREAS, rising flood waters have caused extensive damage to private property, public infrastructure, and continue to pose a threat to the life safety and property of County residents, and,

WHEREAS, the Milk River is rising rapidly and is expected to reach major flood levels in the next 24 hours, and,

WHEREAS, emergency protective and flood mitigation measures will enhance the readiness of the County to respond to the imminent threat of flooding and protect property and infrastructure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Valley County Commissioners that an emergency is hereby declared pursuant to section 10-3-402 MCA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be filed with the Valley County Clerk and Recorder and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena, Montana.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Valley County Board of County Commissioners this 24th day of August, 2014.

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk & Recorder



David L. Pippin
David L. Pippin, Chairman

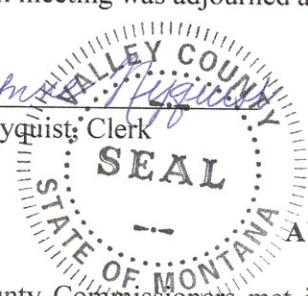
Bruce H. Peterson
Bruce H. Peterson, Commissioner

Dave Reinhardt
Dave Reinhardt, Commissioner

The conference call meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 25, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, Dan Carney, City of Glasgow Levee Committee, Glasgow Mayor Becky Erickson, Glasgow City Council member Melanie Sorenson, Robert Compell, Glasgow City Engineer, and Mark Gruener, DES District 6 Representative, joined the meeting to participate in a conference call with the Montana State Disaster and Emergency Office and some other counties.

Mr. Gruener called the Helena, Montana DES Office, and Tanja Fransen from the National Weather Service, also joined the call.

Mr. Gruener asked for each entity to give a report on conditions.

Mrs. Fransen reviewed the weather conditions. Valley County has seen 5 1/2", up to 8" of rain since Thursday night. Milk River in Glasgow will crest at noon today at 30 1/2 feet. She said there has been a lot of rain in the Phillips and Blaine County area that will hit the Milk River near Glasgow in about three days. She said there is no significant rain in the local forecast so things should warm up and begin to dry up.

Mr. Seiler said that he was contacted by the Red Cross and they have offered their services if needed. The US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has contacted him and said they have sand bags available. He informed the State DES Office that if other counties are in need of sandbags, he believed the Corp would have them available for others too. The Corps also had a large pump available and since an emergency was declared in Valley County, the pump is available for use. It was picked up yesterday from the Corps and is in town if needed.

Mr. Seiler said it has been reported that there are thirteen Valley County Roads that have water running over them. He said there were four homes that had sand bagging done around them to deter water. Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, is going to take a tour of Valley County roads in the Valley

County plane to access the damage. This way he can cover much more area in the County in a short time and get a better idea of the road conditions. It will take some time to get an accurate account of damage because they will have to wait until the water recedes to see what has actually been done.

Mr. Compell said the City of Glasgow is holding their own. There was some water being held up on the Southwest side of town that had to be pumped for a while, and the water around Sullivan Park is close to the top of the levee but still holding and not flooding there.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Mr. Carney said the Glasgow levee is holding fine.

Mayor Erickson said she is not sure of any damaged areas as of this time. She said that the City is considering declaring an emergency and asked what the requirements are regarding the 48 hour posting of an agenda before they can make that declaration. Mr. Livingston said that she should verify it with their City Attorney, but he believed in an emergency situation, you can bypass the 48 hour posting and make necessary decisions.

Chairman Pippin said that the Valley County Commissioners declared an emergency in Valley County right away so the State Governor's Office would then give the Corps permission to provide services to the County.

Commissioner Reinhardt said he looked at Beaver Creek before he came in this morning and it is up, but not causing any problems.

Chairman Pippin said that Valley County has lost some culverts that washed out and road damages will bring the cost up to more than what we think. The Resolution that declared Valley County a disaster does not reference the two mill disaster which may also be done at a later date if necessary.

Mr. Livingston said that Valley County will probably have to wait and see what damages were done once the water recedes and they can see the results. He said they may be visiting with the Governor about a State Declaration in the next day or so and asked if Valley County would get the State DES Office a report on damages as soon as possible to relay that information to the Governor's Office.

Mr. Livingston asked if there were any displaced residents in Valley County and it was verified that there were none reported.

After some discussion and a heartfelt thank you to the State's DES services, the call came to an end with the agreement that there would be another call for updates at the same time tomorrow and the group left the office.

Todd Young, Valley County Road Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about some flooding issues on the County Roads.

The Commissioners adjourned to the Community Room to work on budgets for the remainder of the day.

Phil Fox called to inform the Commissioners that his road, Bonnie Lane, had water running over it. Mr. Seiler was available and visited with Mr. Fox and told him that the Road Department was aware and would be there to do some work on it.

Mr. Seiler phoned back and said the backhoe had to go to a different area and would be back to Bonnie Lane later this afternoon to address the problem phoned in by Mr. Fox.

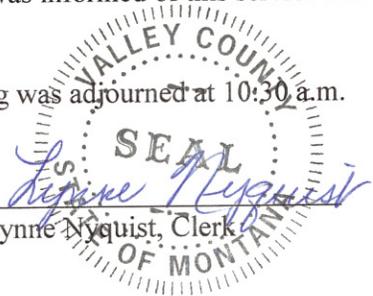
Tracy Cumber from the USDA-NRCS phoned to inform the Commissioners that she has spoken with her State Office and is checking on any emergency funding for those affected by the flood water through their services. She asked that she be informed of any people who may call the Commissioners for help.

Mr. Seiler was informed of this service and asked to forward any requests for help to the NRCS office.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

David L. Pippin

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Robert Shelton, St. Marie, visited with the Commissioners about the flooding damage and his concerns that there has been major damage done to the stock dams in Valley County that needs to be addressed.

Chairman Pippin directed Mr. Shelton to visit with Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, about his concerns and suggestions.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, Glasgow Mayor Becky Erickson, Robert Compell, Glasgow City Engineer, Nashua Mayor Allen Bunk and Mark Gruener, DES District 6 Representative joined the meeting to participate in another conference call with the Montana State Disaster and Emergency Office.

Mr. Gruener called Brad Livingston, Helena, Montana DES Office, and Tanja Fransen of the National Weather Service also joined the call.

Mrs. Fransen informed the group that the Milk River had peaked last night around midnight at 31.75 feet and has dropped some already. She said Beaver Creek at Hinsdale hit record high flood stages there at 19.52 feet. The Milk River at Nashua peaking at 23 feet and said she did not see any problems arising in Nashua. The Milk River has not yet hit flood levels as high as they were in 2011. Beaver Creek at Hinsdale however, is higher than in the 2011 flooding.

Mrs. Fransen said that the weather forecast for the weekend is for warm weather with possible thunder showers, but no measurable precipitation.

Mr. Seiler asked Mrs. Fransen if she thought the Milk River would rise higher when the flood water from the Harlem and Dodson area hit here.

The Milk River is still yet to see the additional water from the Harlem and Dodson area in a couple of days, but Mrs. Fransen thought that most of the local water will have flowed by and the added water will not increase the level of the river much, if any.

Mr. Gruener asked for a report from the Valley County Road Department.

Mr. Tweten said that there is one road that has a 4 foot culvert, 120 feet long, that washed out and will need a 30 foot fill to fix it. Another 36 inch culvert, 124 feet long, is gone and must be replaced. There is two other roads with culverts washed out that they know of in addition to several spots where the water is running over the road and once the water recedes, then there will be repairs needed. He said at this time they have four roads closed that are impassable and the Glasgow Irrigation District has lost several ditches and damages to their structures which will total a quite substantial amount of money for repair.

Mr. Gruener said the State office needs an estimate of damage to take to the Governor's Office. Mr. Tweten said a very rough estimate at this time would be around \$200,000.

Mr. Gruener asked the City of Glasgow for an update and Mayor Erickson said that Sullivan Park is under water and they will have a better idea of the disaster cost once the water recedes.

Nashua Mayor Bunk said that there didn't seem to be any damages to report at this time from Nashua but the storm sewer system in Nashua was not working, but they had a pump in that took care of the problem. He said if the Milk River should get to a much higher flood stage it could cause some major problems in Nashua with the storm drain system.

Mr. Gruener said that there is another pump available from the Corps and asked Mayer Bunk if they needed it brought to Nashua and Mayor Bunk said no, not at this time unless the other pump fails. Mr. Gruener said that the Town of Nashua may have to declare a disaster to get additional help if needed. They would have to declare a disaster before the Corps can provide that pump. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Fransen said that she did not believe the Milk River would get high enough to cause a problem because the River near Nashua has already peaked and it was quite a bit lower than in 2011.

Mr. Gruener asked for any comments from the Commissioners and Chairman Pippin said that it was difficult to get an accurate assessment of damages until the water recedes.

Mr. Gruener said that the impact is different for a flood in August compared to one in April. He said this flood has damaged hay and grain crops. He told his State office that the Governor will need to consider those damages too.

Mr. Tennis asked that all entities keep a good track of all expenses and take lots of pictures for verification.

Mr. Gruener said that he did not see a need for another meeting and phone call tomorrow and said he would stay in contact with each of the groups here and the conference call came to an end and the group left the office.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Dean Armbrister joined the meeting to visit about some flooding on his property. Mr. Armbrister said that his property has been flooded two times in the past three years and he asked for some help from Valley County.

The Commissioners told Mr. Armbrister that they did not believe Valley County had any liability in this problem. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Reinhardt and Commissioner Peterson left the office to look at the area in question that Mr. Armbrister was referring to.

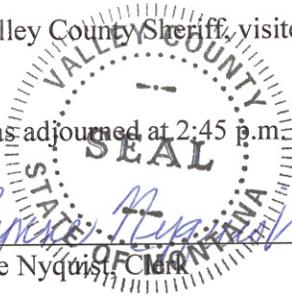
Cam Shipp, Valley County Sanitarian, visited with the Commissioners about Mr. Armbrister's issue and some possible fixes.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, visited with the Commissioners.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 27, 2014

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Commissioners with Chairman David L. Pippin, members Bruce H. Peterson and David Reinhardt and Recording Secretary Joanne Strommen present.

Chairman Pippin informed the Board that he will be out of the State of Montana, leaving Thursday, August 28, 2014, and returning Sunday, August 31, 2014.

Chairman Pippin began Discussion and Decision at 10:35 a.m.

There were no additions and/or deletions to the Agenda.

Chairman Pippin asked for any public comment and there was no one present to give any comments.

The first item on the agenda for action was Notices of Employment / Termination.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Tisa Seiler, who works for the Health Department, increasing her pay to \$13.00 per hour and changing her status to a permanent, full-time employee effective August 25, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Patsy Burke as a temporary, part-time Transport Matron for the Sheriff's Office beginning August 21, 2014, at \$11.76 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Rachel Mickleson as a temporary, part-time Detention Officer for the Sheriff's Office effective August 14, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Max Faul as a temporary, full-time Operator for the Weed Department effective August 25, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Mary Fewer, as a temporary, part-time Office clerk for the Museum, effective August 23, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Glasgow City-County Library's request for \$4,765 to purchase office furniture.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to give the Glasgow City-County Library \$4,765, out of Local Option Tax funds, to purchase new office furniture. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson said that he had been holding off on this decision because the budget for next year will be tight.

The Computer Tech Policy was the next item to be considered on the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to execute the following Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 30-2014
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING VALLEY COUNTY
COMPUTER TECH POLICY
FOR EQUIPMENT AND/OR SERVICE REQUESTS

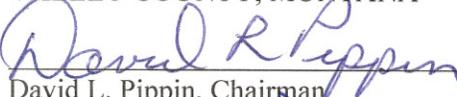
WHEREAS, Valley County needs a policy to follow when computer tech services or equipment are requested;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following policy is hereby adopted to establish minimum standards for Valley County to follow when there is a need for computer tech support, services or equipment:

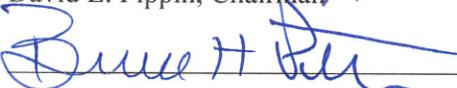
1. An employee, Department Head, Commissioner or Tech Support identifies a tech requirement.
2. Tech Support determines the type of equipment or software to satisfy that requirement and informs the department or Commissioners, as appropriate.
3. For departments, the Department Head should send an email to support@valleycounty.gov, requesting assistance with the purchase. The email should clearly indicate what budget the purchase will come from.
4. For county-wide support, the Commissioners will instruct Tech Support or Rene Clampitt to make the purchase, if approved. The purchase will come from a Tech Support budget.
5. When equipment or software arrives, installation will be scheduled and accomplished by Tech Support. All such activity will be documented in the monthly progress reports to the Commissioners.
6. Invoices will be validated by the department or tech support, as appropriate.
7. Departments will process claims for invoices against their budgets.
8. Rene Clampitt will process claims for invoices against the tech support budget, to be submitted to the Valley County Commissioners for signature.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Valley County Board of County Commissioners this 28th day of August, 2014.

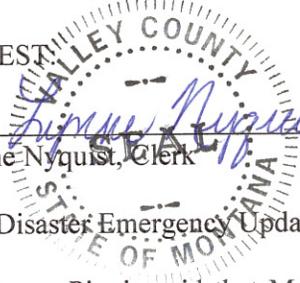
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA



David L. Pippin, Chairman



ATTEST:



Lynne Nyquist
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

Bruce H. Peterson, Member

Dave Reinhardt
Dave Reinhardt, Member

The Disaster Emergency Update and Actions was the next agenda item.

Chairman Pippin said that Mr. Gruener had suggested Valley County consider passing a Resolution to levy a Two Mill Disaster.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he understood that Valley County would have to pass this resolution before the Governor will declare a disaster in the State and then the DNRC would maybe have an assistance program for the loss of hay and crops from the flooding. He said there was a lot of hay lost and the wheat crops are being affected.

Commissioner Peterson said that this Resolution has to be passed before FEMA will provide any funding for the roads.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to execute the following Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously:

**RESOLUTION NO. 29-2014
RESOLUTION TO LEVY TWO (2) MILLS DURING
FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015 FOR EXPENSES
INCURRED DUE TO FLOODING**

WHEREAS, on August 27, 2014, Resolution No. 28-2014 declared Valley County a flood disaster as a result of heavy rains that began falling on August 21, 2014, have caused extensive flooding in Valley County, and;

WHEREAS, the flood waters caused extensive damage to County infrastructure that is eligible to be repaired under the provisions of Presidential Disaster FEMA-4127-DR-MT, and;

WHEREAS, the Valley County Road Department has expended a considerable portion of its budget due to the disaster created as a result of heavy spring rains and rising waters; and

WHEREAS, the County has committed all available resources, taken all possible action to combat and to alleviate the situation, and local resources are not adequate to cope with the situation, and because expenditures for road and bridge repairs necessary to protect life and property continue to be beyond the financial capability of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Valley County that there shall be appropriated immediately to the Emergency/Disaster Fund number 2260 an amount equivalent to two (2) mills on the taxable valuation of the County pursuant to Section 10-3-405, MCA. Said two (2) mills in the amount of \$44,394 will be levied during Fiscal Year 2015 and will be utilized to match the County share required under the provisions of FEMA-4127-DR-MT.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, Appraisal/Assessment Division and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this 27th day of August, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

David L. Pippin
David L. Pippin, Chairman

Dave Reinhardt
David Reinhardt, Member

Bruce H. Peterson
Bruce H. Peterson, Member

ATTEST:



Lynne Nyquist
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

The last item on the agenda was the FY 2014-15 Budgets.

Commissioner Peterson said that he wanted to double check the revenue but he believed the budgets were pretty much completed. He said that the Commissioners will have to make a decision as to whether they will be accepting the recommendation by the Valley County Compensation Board to increase salaries.

The option to pass a Resolution of intent to implement an additional annual property tax for premium contributions for group benefits was discussed.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office to get a tractor from Tractor and Equipment to be used to run a pump he set up to pump flood water out of the dike area behind the Valley County Fairgrounds, and pump flood water away from the Valley County Weed District Shop.

Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Claims for the month of August were approved as follows;

Vendor	Claim #	Amount
3145 ADAM'S ASPHALT	62302	38,820.00
2820 ADAPCO, INC	62312	2,400.00
4196 ADVANCED CHEMICAL SOLUTIONS	62303	96.73
4435 AG PARTNERS LLC	62304	230.00
1798 AGLAND CO-OP	62305	387.08
4663 ALEX ESTEVES	62250	23.00
3479 ALFRED SCHMITT	62306	150.00
2853 ALL SEASON HOME CENTER	62307	2,073.61
184 AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	62308	197.86
558 ARCH'S TIRE & SERVICE	62309	2,523.00
4447 AV8-ORR HELICOPTERS	62311	3,000.00
3772 AVAILITY LLC	62310	79.00
4613 B & B PUMPING	62313	150.00
2554 BALCO UNIFORM CO INC	62314	46.71
18 BELL MORTUARY INC	62315	250.00
1766 BEN'S RADIATOR REPAIR	62316	540.00
75 BIG VALLEY WATER	62317	285.50
3696 BLUE CROSS/SHIELD OF MONTANA	62318	2,704.90
504 BOB BARKER CO INC	62320	254.50
4779 BRAKE & CLUTCH SUPPLY INC	62321	65.34
2826 BRENDA ANDERSON	62251	125.97
4041 BRIAN "AUZZY" AUSTIN	62252	375.00
4427 BS CENTRAL INC	62322	326.00
1676 CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	62323	249.00
182 CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	62324	1,223.58
3360 CENTURY LINK	62325	1,243.58
4761 CENTURY LINK	62253	171.88
	62326	5.20
677 CITY OF GLASGOW	62327	3,644.23
4723 CITYSERVICEVALCON	62254	40,179.93
	62296	33,304.50
4785 CLEAN LAKES INC	62452	16,090.00
1095 COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO	62328	24.00
4640 COLD WATER ENVIRONMENTAL LLC	62329	14,223.64
3680 CONNIE KAWASAKI	62330	150.00
4554 CONSOLIDATED TELECOM, INC	62331	1,500.00
36 COTTONWOOD INN	62332	196.74
2962 CRA PAYMENT CENTER	62319	371.73
3618 CROP PRODUCTION SERVICES INC	62255	1,402.50
225 D & G SPORTS & WESTERN	62333	3,242.76
409 D R DURELL CONSTRUCTION	62334	112.00
39 DALE PLUMBING & HEATING INC	62256	813.07
40 DAN OLSON DBA	62335	72.00
2740 DARLA SHIPMAN	62257	64.00
4223 DAVID REXHAUSEN	62336	150.00
637 DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	62258	241.50
4573 DIAGNOSTIC PEST SOLUTIONS	62337	213.00
4445 DJ & A PC	62367	376.00
260 EASTERN MONTANA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER	62338	250.00
801 ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	62339	3,720.00
2729 EMC INSURANCE	62340	5,037.00
4780 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	62341	4.90
634 ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT INC	62342	2,640.00
812 EZZIE'S WHOLESALE INC	62259	47,036.86
	62343	9,153.23
2757 FARM EQUIPMENT SALES	62344	247.94
289 FIFTH AVE PHARMACY & GIFT	62345	28.50
54 FOOD SERVICES OF AMERICA	62260	9,452.94
	62347	1,285.31
57 FOSSUM READY MIX INC	62261	2,962.50
	62348	32.00

Vendor	Claim #	Amount
59 FRANCES MAHON DEACONESS HOSPITAL	62349	119.97
206 FRANCES MAHON DEACONESS HOSPITAL	62346	2,182.92
4655 G & J ENTERPRISES	62350	558.00
311 GAFFANEYS TOTAL OFFICE SOURCE INC	62351	2,443.48
247 GALLS LLC	62352	27.93
2766 GENE HARTSOCK	62353	47.23
2455 GENERAL DISTRIBUTING CO	62354	97.50
66 GLASGOW AUTO SAFETY CENTER	62355	383.00
69 GLASGOW CLINIC INC	62357	125.00
71 GLASGOW COURIER INC	62356	1,142.90
67 GLENN'S AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR	62358	150.00
4299 GLOBALSTAR USA	62262	103.43
4657 GLORIA DOUCETTE	62359	22.40
3609 GRABAR VOICE AND DATA INC	62360	2,048.00
4264 GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	62361	2,195.26
4721 HELLO DIRECT INC	62362	265.62
80 HI LINE COLLISION REPAIR	62363	623.12
392 HI LINE FORD INC	62364	3,551.82
3830 HI LINE SAFE CRACKING & CAR KEYS	62263	18.00
1604 HI MILE TIRE COMPANY	62365	11,056.49
3301 HOME CARE SERVICES	62366	1,018.25
207 INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO INC	62368	160.88
153 IRENE STANDING	62369	150.00
3576 J & M DISTRIBUTING	62370	191.95
15 JAMES BAILEY	62371	150.00
574 JIMISON JANITORIAL & CARPET CLEANING LLC	62264	753.80
4308 JON BLOCKHUS	62372	150.00
4722 JOSEPHINE DORSEY	62373	21.28
1953 JOYCE ENGLISH	62374	33.60
368 KLTZ/KLAN INC	62375	600.00
95 KREISERS INC	62265	167.79
987 L & D SIGNS	62376	92.00
3418 LEGARE LAWNS	62377	360.00
96 LILA KULCZYK	62378	150.00
848 LYNNE NYQUIST	62297	138.00
3133 MAPPING & PLANNING SPECIALISTS, INC	62379	2,826.25
2975 MARJORIE JACOBSON	62381	360.00
101 MARKLE'S INC	62266	892.15
	62380	2,042.12
2475 MATTFELDT ELECTRIC	62382	41.90
4266 MED-TECH RESOURCES INC	62383	1,147.17
413 MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.	62267	3,579.28
	62384	5,231.27
4756 MICHAEL BAIN	62385	5,120.00
213 MICHAEL J BOYER	62386	276.00
4778 MIDKNIGHT WELDING & REPAIR LLC	62268	1,597.00
144 MIDWEST CANCER SCREENING	62269	80.75
4781 MISSOULA COUNTY WEED DISTRICT	62387	55.00
3042 MOGAN'S SPRINKLERS	62388	125.00
959 MONTANA ASSOC OF CLERK/DISTRICT COURT	62389	50.00
540 MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES/MACO	62270	294.50
113 MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	62390	1,039.76
1128 MONTANA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	62391	300.00
2861 MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	62392	20,265.55
239 MSU EXTENSION SERVICE	62393	4,512.76
2750 NAEIR	62394	116.50
183 NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC	62271	4,803.55
165 NEWTON MOTORS INC	62395	291.68
4499 NORDISK SYSTEMS, INC	62396	1,941.00
4744 NORMAN STEPHENSON	62397	150.00
470 NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO	62398	2,426.86
121 NORTHERN MONTANA TEXTILES SERVICES	62399	689.72
115 NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	62272	1,331.98
	62400	10,156.30
120 NORVAL ELECTRIC CO-OP INC	62273	1,792.77
151 NUERA TECHNOLOGIES, INC	62401	837.00
126 PACIFIC STEEL & RECYCLING	62402	347.80
4248 PARK GROVE BAR & CAFE	62274	504.00
3087 PAT NEULEIB	62295	2,290.00
	62403	19.04
129 PETTY CASH	62275	813.87
	62409	427.94
131 PITNEY BOWES INC	62276	275.00
	62404	602.46
4575 POCKET PROS	62277	150.00
2768 PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS	62405	196.00
135 PRO CO-OP	62406	1,393.85
4745 PRO RODEO HALL OF FAME	62408	900.00
3238 PROFORCE LAW ENFORCEMENT	62407	1,202.95
201 QUILL CORPORATION	62278	443.20
2620 RDO EQUIPMENT TRUST #80-5800	62410	44.81
76 REYNOLDS	62411	674.48

Vendor	Claim #	Amount
4782 RHODA YESKA	62412	36.99
251 RICK MOLVIG	62413	150.00
4783 RMT MANUFACTURING	62414	17,320.00
4051 ROBERT LIPSCOMB	62415	43.88
3056 ROUBIE YOUNKIN	62416	37.48
514 SACO DEHY INC	62417	118.35
4618 SALT LAKE WHOLESALE SPORTS	62279	6,473.70
219 SANOFI PASTEUR INC	62418	3,634.37
326 SATELLITE ENGINEERING GROUP, INC	62280	3,047.96
147 SCOTT'S TRACK 'N' WHEEL	62419	433.40
4784 SIMENUIK REPAIRS	62420	105.00
2519 SIX ROBBLEES' INC	62421	312.13
321 SMILEY JOHNSON	62422	107.96
1118 STAR LODGE	62423	339.84
472 STATE OF MONTANA	62424	1.95
2744 STATE OF MONTANA DEPT OF REVENUE	62425	1,976.06
3589 STERICYCLE, INC	62426	317.28
3693 STOUGHIE'S BAR AND GRILL	62294	874.00
4732 SYN-TECH SYSTEMS, INC	62281	26.97
162 SYSCO MONTANA INC	62427	415.26
163 T & R TRUCKING INC	62428	29,047.48
6 TAYLOR STORAGE	62429	1,200.00
4571 TCA INC	62430	195,630.24
788 TERRY LIGHTHIZER	62431	343.95
3902 THE OUTPOST	62282	2,147.00
2996 THOMPSON & SONS	62432	125.00
41 TIRE-RAMA SERVICE CENTER	62433	72.31
1074 TOWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY	62290	359.66
700 TOWN OF NASHUA	62283	500.00
680 TOWN OF OPHEIM	62284	60.00
171 TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO	62434	316.14
172 TRI STATE TRUCK-EQUIP INC	62435	483.66
174 TRIPLE A GLASS INC	62436	834.68
4373 TWENTERPRISES INC	62437	138.84
2645 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	62438	220.00
787 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE/PITNEY BOWES	62439	766.66
179 UNITED INSURANCE & REALTY INC	62440	10,575.00
77 VALLEY BUILDERS SUPPLY	62441	598.58
1827 VALLEY CO 4-H COUNCIL	62442	172.00
4561 VALLEY CO AIRPORT COMMISSION	62443	49.56
473 VALLEY CO HEALTH DEPT	62444	76.32
614 VALLEY CO TRANSIT	62445	109.50
674 VALLEY VIEW HOME	62446	240.00
3247 VAXSERVE	62447	6,211.35
4245 VERIZON WIRELESS	62285	84.24
3333 VICKY WETZ	62286	81.54
3686 VIKING CONSTRUCTION	62287	6,480.00
1087 VISA	62298	1,274.91
3559 VISA	62288	1,677.84
4061 VISA	62289	1,165.63
4050 VISA 7495	62291	5,801.65
803 WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIP CO	62448	783.30
187 WEST PAYMENT CENTER	62449	272.50
188 WESTERN DRUG INC	62292	559.01
32 WEX BANK	62293	321.88
190 WILLS OFFICE WORLD/RADIO SHACK	62450	1,454.80
193 ZERBE BROS INC	62451	93.22
Total:		678,280.09

Payroll for the month of August was approved in the amount of \$599,414.87.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

David L. Pippin
David L. Pippin, Chairman

AUGUST 28, 2014

Commissioner Peterson attended the Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center (EMCMHC) Board meeting in Miles City today.

Commissioner Reinhardt stopped in the office for a short while.

Martin Fast spoke with Commissioner Reinhardt about a flooding problem with Granada West Road.

Commissioner Reinhardt phoned Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and had him speak with Mr. Fast to discuss the problem.

Mr. Fast and Commissioner Reinhardt left the office.

Gary Funk stopped in and asked if the Road Department could do some work on the Frazer Luster Road as it is getting very rough.

AUGUST 29, 2014

Shelley Mills, Extension Agent, informed the Board that the 2007 Explorer, County Fleet Vehicle, that they took to Culbertson yesterday had some engine trouble and they had to leave it in Culbertson.

Bob Steele, Maintenance Supervisor, will take a flatbed trailer to Culbertson this afternoon, returning the pickup that the Valley County Extension Agents borrowed to get home, and picking up the County vehicle and bring it back to Glasgow for repair.

Commissioner Peterson was in the office for a while working on the budgets this morning.