

**JUNE 2, 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 present.

Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend a meeting with Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, and Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, regarding some Health Department issues.

René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, dropped off a copy of a letter that she was sending to Jed Kirkland regarding the Kirkland Ranch Estates Subdivision. This letter outlines the requirements of the Valley County Subdivision Regulations that have not yet been met on the Kirkland Subdivision Plat.

Charlie Romo stopped in and visited with the Commissioners.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, and Clay Berger, Director of Emergency Medical Services, visited with the Commissioners about a variety of issues.

Bob Hanson, Long Run Fire Department Chief, visited with the Board about the increase of insurance premiums in Fort peck and Hinsdale areas on fire insurance, with one reported case of increase from \$800 to \$2,100 per year for fire insurance. He said that neither Fort Peck Rural Water or Dry Prairie were advertised as fire protection, it was just for drinking water only.

Chairman Pippin questioned that it seems to be hand in hand. Evidently it is in the insurance companies' hands as they decide what premiums they charge.

Dick Hueth stopped in and visited with the group and said that he has not seen any increase in his insurance as of yet. Discussion followed.

Mr. Hanson and Mr. Hueth left the office.

Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor joined the meeting and gave an update on the Public Health's billing problems. Commissioner Peterson told her that the Commissioners support her efforts and while it may look a bit bleak right now, they think she is on the right track. She said she is going to try and do as much billing as possible, but it should be known that some of the bills will be rejected because some companies will only accept bills for six months, and there is not an updated contract with three or four of the companies.

Mrs. Boreson said it also appears as if we may miss out on the immunization grant because we have not completed the requirements that we should have. She will be talking to someone on the HealthWeb billing service this afternoon and should know more about the magnitude of the job later today.

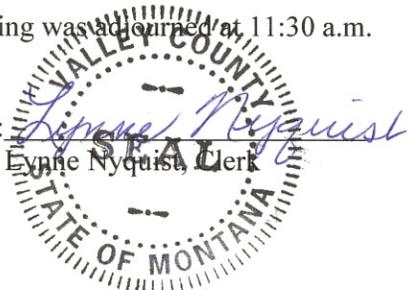
Mrs. Boreson reminded the Commissioners that she is taking this weekend off and will also be gone the last three days of June and she left the office.

René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, informed the Board that the DNRC had called her to ask how the Idlewild Subdivision got approved for subdivision without the proper water provisions. Mrs. Clampitt is investigating. She thinks that the irrigation system at the Kirkland Ranch Estates Subdivision may answer this question for that subdivision.

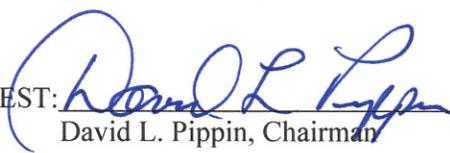
Discussion led to the conclusion that we need to get the fire departments together to get this straightened out in response to the statement that the local fire departments are not doing the job.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**JUNE 3, 2014**

There was no one in the office today because the office has been turned over to Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder, to sequester her election judges in this area.

Commissioner Reinhardt stopped in and visited with Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor for a while.

**JUNE 4, 2014**

Commissioner Peterson was in the office today.

Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder, was in to say that the election went pretty well, was some computer glitches, but once fixed, it went well and her new employees did very well.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, came in and reported that she is making some progress on a number of old checks that were found by the Public Health Department when the downstairs office material was moved upstairs. She warns that some late billings may not receive any payment because they were not filed on time. Some checks, from as far back as 2011, have not been deposited with the Treasurer's Office, but in all cases it seems that none have been cashed and most the companies have been willing to issue new checks. There is need to find out where the original checks are located. There is now a concern as whether the same thing is occurring with the Valley County Airport billing. Options to address potential problems were discussed.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Stratton stopped in about some paperwork they needed and they were referred to René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, who took care of it.

Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, visited with Commissioner Peterson about the most recent developments with Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center (EMCMHC).

Mr. Murnion and Commissioner Peterson discussed what should be done with the lack of billing for the Valley County Public Health immunizations and the potential for the same problems with the Valley County Airport billings. Commissioner Peterson was advised to contact the Airport Board Chairman and the Manager of the Airport. He also suggested that Valley County's auditors be informed of the situation. Mr. Murnion feels that we are in a position that we have to investigate the books of the Valley County Airport budget, but is not sure as to actual logistics of how to get that accomplished. It seems that a paid leave of absence could be a first step as the investigation would take place.

A phone call was made to the Chairman of the Valley County Airport Board and she was aware that there may be concerns, and it was agreed that they would be visiting tomorrow about options and actions that need to be taken.

A phone call to Michele Puiggari, MACo's temporary HR Attorney, and she was asked by Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, about the possibility of hiring a temporary worker so soon after doing a reduction in Force (RIF) in the Valley County Health Department and eliminating a part-time position. Mrs. Puiggari said that it can be done, but make sure it is listed as temporary, and it does not have to be advertised, recruiting can be done by the County. The key to is make sure there is documentation as to the additional problems that were discovered after the transfer of records and the discovery of the problems that exist in the bookkeeping. She said the Commissioners could also hire someone and assign them to the Public Health Department, but documentation is the key. She is going to also send this advice in an email, but wanted to make sure that the Commissioners understood the importance of what she is advising.

Cam Shipp, Valley County Sanitarian, dropped off his proposed budget for next year. He discussed some Health Department matters with Commissioner Peterson.

Brent Olness, Olness & Associates, auditors for Valley County, was called about the situation with the late billings, as per advice of Mr. Murnion. He appreciated the call but had no advice as per audit concerns. He said the toughest thing will be to get caught up and just try to do that as quickly as possible, and hopefully before the end of the present fiscal year.

A phone call was made to Darrell Morehouse, Valley County Airport Board member, and he was aware and will be available to visit tomorrow some time about the Airport's bookkeeping issues. He has asked about the billing for Choice Aviation and has never received the information. It seems that Choice Aviation does still owe Valley County several thousands of dollars.

**JUNE 6, 2014**

Commissioner Peterson was in office for the morning.

Steve Heberlys, the Havre Engineer who works for NorVal was in about installing a utility line. He wants to dig through a two lane path, which is named Maxness Road, instead of boring the line. He wanted to inform us before he goes to Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, for signature. He was told that it sure seems reasonable to not bore such a road. He did say that close to this road they will be boring some lines under the well traveled roads.

The Commissioners received a call from Shirley Blatter who was wondering why the whole county does not go to road numbers instead of the name system. She has talked to René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, and does not understand the process.

Commissioner Peterson told her he does not recall the rationale but thinks that the method we are using was decided upon several years ago. She will call back on Monday to talk to someone else in the office when she was told that no decision would be made until next Wednesday at the earliest.

Roubie Younkin, Extension Agent, stopped in to ask a couple of budget questions. She was told to increase her program/grant expenditures and revenue for next year, since this year she is going over by about \$2,000, but has the revenue to pay. The \$2,000 will not put her over the budget for FY 2014, so she can cover the amount this year.

René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, stopped in to visit about her meeting this morning with Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, Merrill Frantz and Marv Bethea who has a new plan for St. Marie to proceed forward with a Planned Unit Development (PUD), which rather works like zoning. Mr. Frantz was told, but did not seem to understand, that a PUD cannot go forward unless those folks who are part of the commons for the condominiums all agree to share the property. Mr. Murnion also had some advice for Mr. Frantz.

Mrs. Clampitt was aware of the concerns of Shirley Blatter regarding the names for roads and has talked to her. Roosevelt County does their roads by numbers, but most counties have decided to use names and Valley County decided to do that several years ago.

Kristie Brabeck, Valley County Airport Chairman, called to inform the Commissioners that she had received a call from their fuel supplier for the Valley County Airport and there are a couple of bills not yet paid. Lucas Locke, Airport Manager, has been informed and will be receiving the billing via email so it can be paid.

Commissioner Peterson called Mr. Locke and Mr. Locke will bring the bill to the Clerk and Recorder as soon as he gets it and the Clerk has been informed of the situation and will pay ASAP. Commissioner Peterson has signed a claim so that it can be processed.

Vicky Wetz, Council on Aging (COA) Supervisor, was in to say that the COA Cook's mom is very ill and they are adjusting with the Cook's Helper picking up some slack while the Cook is gone. Also some discussion about the COA budget and the fact that Frazer may be doubling their price for the home delivered meals. Mrs. Wetz has asked to see this in writing so it can be presented to the Commissioners.

Colleen Pankratz, Valley County Transit Supervisor, brought her budget in. She asked what the rate was for people who worked on holidays. She thinks that perhaps her drivers have not been paid the 1.5 premium pay rate that they are to receive for working on holidays. She talked to someone in the Clerk's Office and they were not aware of the 1.5 rate. The page about holiday was printed off and Mrs. Pankratz was going to the Clerk's office to visit some more about this matter.

Valley County Airport Board members Jason Nelson, Kristie Brabeck, and Darrell Morehouse, joined the meeting.

Everyone was brought up to date on the present concerns as to whether the revenue and accounts payable for the Airport are current in light of the problems experienced by the Refuse District and the Valley County Health Department. All expressed serious concerns, and especially since the Airport venture is just a few months old and is just developing and finances are still unknown.

It was the conclusion by all at this meeting that the current Airport Board Secretary should not continue in her present position with the Airport. This conclusion is based on her work history with the Refuse District and the Valley County Public Health, the recent tardiness of paying fuel bills, lack of billing of STAT air over the last year, the lack of providing information to Mr. Morehouse so that he can follow up with a billing matter with Choice Aviation and other concerns. It is the job of the Commissioners to do actual removal, a fact which Commissioner Peterson affirmed. He also cautioned that any removal must be done properly and with due process.

The Airport Board members definitely want to replace this employee with another person and Kari Knierim and Jenny Reinhardt were suggested as temporary replacements because they both had worked in

that position in the past. They discussed hiring a new person for up to 20 hours per week, depending on the business that is generated this summer.

There was a strong suggestion that checking the present files should begin on Monday, and a removal should be done at that time. They feel that the present Airport Manager could do the day to day billing and books, but they have strong preference to have someone in the courthouse to be the bookkeeper.

Commissioner Peterson said that the Airport Board would be informed of any decision that would be made on Monday and the group left the office.

The Board received a letter from Shirley Baumgartner resigning from the Valley County Health Board.

Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

**JUNE 9, 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.

The Commissioners phoned Airport Commissioner members Kristi Brabeck and Darrell Morehouse to visit about the accounting process at the Valley County Airport.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, visited with Commissioners about some checks she is trying to collect for the Valley County Refuse District that had never been deposited and some other issues with the Refuse District's accounting procedures, and lack thereof.

Mrs. Reinhardt left the office.

René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about the Kirkland Estates Subdivision. She said she was going to go out to the property to look at a dry hydrant they were installing to cover the fire protection issue that was holding up the approval of their subdivision.

Chairman Pippin informed the Commissioners that he will be traveling out of State and he may be gone up to thirty days and once he has the exact dates he will let them know.

After some discussion, Commissioner Peterson and Commissioner Reinhardt were in agreement that it was okay for Chairman Pippin to be gone.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign the 5311 & TransADE Operating FY15 Contract between the Montana Department of Transportation (DOT) and Valley County Transit, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

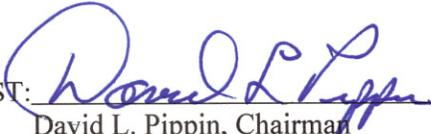
A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the chairman to sign the Section 5339 Capital Contract #107747, CFDA #20.526 BUs and Bus Facilities contract between the Montana Department of Transportation, Transportation Planning Division and Valley County Transit to provide assistance for the construction of bus and bus facilities and this project is to rehab sidewalks and install grates at the Valley County Transit Building, for a total of \$6,000 and a local match of 20%, \$1,200. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

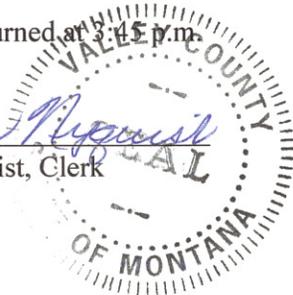
This contract indicates that there have been some changes made to Section 1.7, Reporting requirements. There will only be 60 days allowed to submit quarterly reports instead of 90 days, as was allowed in the past, and governments will send their Audit Reports to the State DOT office each year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Final Engineering Report from Robert Peccia & Associates for projects No. AIP 3-30-0033-014-2009, AIP 3-30-0033-015-2011, AIP 3-30-033-016-2011 and AIP 3-30-033-017-2012. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman



JUNE 10, 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.

Marvin Pankratz stopped in and got a copy of the tax deed property that is currently owned by Valley County and visited with Chairman Pippin about St. Marie.

Commissioner Peterson joined the meeting.

Vicky Wetz, Council on Aging (COA) Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about a COA employee who had visited with the Commissioners questioning her wages being paid.

Gloria Robertson visited with the Commissioners about replacing the toilets at the Senior Citizen Center.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

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

The Commissioners left the office from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. to attend the Compensation Board meeting.

Jenny Reinhardt and Brenda Anderson from the Valley County Treasurer Office joined the meeting to review their proposed budget for FY 2014/15. Mrs. Reinhardt said that she will be short about \$6,000 for this year's budget because of additional salary expenses.

Kristi Brabeck, Valley County Airport Commission, joined the meeting to discuss some changes that need to be made regarding the Airport accounting with the Commissioners and Mrs. Reinhardt. Due to the resignation of Dora Jean Beil, Airport Commission Secretary, Mrs. Reinhardt will be helping the Airport Commission until they get someone hired to replace Mrs. Beil.

Commissioner Peterson attended the Valley County Health Board Meeting at 5:15. p.m.

Chairman Pippin attended the Valley County Airport Commission meeting at 5:00 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

JUNE 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.

The Commissioners left the office from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. to attend the employee meeting.

Smiley Johnson visited with Commissioner Reinhardt about the sidewalk project at the fairgrounds. Mr. Johnson submitted a drawing of the sidewalks they want constructed at the fairgrounds.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he visited with the Department of Transportation and they will contact him when they are ready to begin this project. He said the DOT will be in charge of the project and there is nothing they can do at this point.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to pay Amazon \$258.95, out of Local Option Tax, for a Ubiquiti Networks UniFi Enterprise WiFi System for the Health Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, Jed Kirkland, Bobbie Kirkland and Jim Kirkland joined the meeting.

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

Chairman Pippin asked for any additions and/or deletions to the agenda, and he said he would like to add discussion on the Airport Commission Board Secretary to the list.

Commissioner Peterson said he would like to also add the consideration of the Frazer congregate meal contract to the agenda.

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

Chairman Pippin said that because the guests are here for agenda item number two, to approve the Kirkland Ranch Estates Subdivision Plat, he would like to move directly to that issue if everyone was in agreement, and there was no opposition to this change.

Gloria Robertson joined the meeting.

Chairman Pippin said that the Kirklands were in previously to get approval on their Subdivision and there were a couple requirements that needed to be addressed and asked the Kirklands to review what they have done to meet those requirements.

Jed Kirkland said there were two things that needed to be addressed, designate mailbox location and they have addressed that by changing the Home Owners' Covenants adding this requirement to that document to designate the mailbox cluster location.

The second issue was to address the fire suppression. They have added a dry hydrant by extending irrigation pipe to the dry hydrant located on the south side of the subdivision. This will utilize an irrigation pump, located in the river, that will be maintained to supply water to the hydrant. This pump has a 2,500 gallon capacity, which will fill a 12" line that will flow water to the dry hydrant. The irrigation pump will be maintained year around and the Kirklands have an agreement with the Home Owner's Association for the use of their pump to access water for emergency purposes.

Chairman Pippin asked if the agreement with the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for the use of the water out of the river was a perpetual easement and Jed Kirkland said that the Corps will not give a perpetual easement, the agreement is reassigned every ten years and they always renew it.

Chairman Pippin asked if everyone present here was satisfied with this dry hydrant set-up to meet the fire safety requirement for the proposed Subdivision.

Commissioner Reinhardt asked if they had completed the construction of the dry hydrant and asked if there was pipe from the river all the way to the dry hydrant.

Jed Kirkland said that it takes about fifteen minutes for the pump to start and get the water to the dry hydrant. He said that whoever gets to the fire first will need to flip the switch on to get the pump started and then the water will be there when the trucks need to refill.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that in his experience it takes quite a long time to fill a ditch that is a mile long.

Jim Kirkland said that he timed it a few days ago when they were putting the pipe in, and by the time he turned the pump on and drove to the dry hydrant, it was only a couple minutes before he had water. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that there should be an agreement made with the first responders, the Fort Peck Fire Department, that the first person there would turn the pump on so the water would be ready and accessible when the trucks are empty.

Chairman Pippin asked if everyone here was satisfied with these changes and René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, verified her satisfaction to meeting all the requirements and there was no opposition voiced.

Chairman Pippin asked for a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to authorize the Chairman to execute the Kirkland Ranch Estates Subdivision Final Plat between Kirkland Ranch Estates, LLC, and Valley County, for the following described property:

**A tract of land located in Government Lot 3 of Section Three (3), and Government Lots 1, 2, and 5, of Section Four (4), Township Twenty-six North, (T26N), Range Forty-one East (R41E), of the Principle Meridian Montana (P.M.M.).**

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and Chairman Pippin asked if there was any further discussion.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he doesn't want it to sound like the Commissioners are being difficult, but when someone comes in to purchase a lot in this subdivision, that buyer will expect that the County Commissioners have reviewed and met all the requirements of a subdivision before it has been accepted. That is why the Commissioners have asked the questions and made sure it has been done to the specifications.

Chairman Pippin said that he wants it noted that Valley County has some subdivisions that were not held to these requirements and now they are having to deal with it.

Chairman Pippin called for the vote and the motion unanimously carried. Said Kirkland Ranch Estates Subdivision Final Plat, SP 332A, was filed in the office of the Valley County Clerk and Recorder on June 12, 2014, as Document #153730.

Commissioner Peterson discussed the fire insurance rating for the new subdivision with Bobbi Kirkland and she said her house near there was rated as a seven.

Commissioner Reinhardt asked if the Subdivision still had a tree in the middle of the road, or was it being removed.

Jed Kirkland said there are two locations where the trees are in the middle of the road and they have the required signage for them and reduced the speed limit to 25 mph because it is a private road. If in the future it becomes a public road or the trees are a problem, the trees can be removed. He said they liked the aesthetics the trees add to the road and they believe they are covered for liability because they checked with the State of Montana and have met the required signage.

Chairman Pippin thanked the group for coming in and all the visitors left the office.

Chairman Pippin said that we will now start with the agenda item to consider the Notices of Employment and Terminations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Sandy Boese changing her employment status to a part-time Homemaker for the Council on Aging, beginning July 1, 2014, at \$10.15 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Ella Tweten as a Nurse for the Health Department, changing the accounting for her salary to budget line 1000-23-440100, effective June 2, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Autum Cagne as a temporary, full-time Operator for the Weed District beginning June 2, 2014, at \$10.35 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Max Faul as a temporary, full-time Operator for the Weed District beginning May 27, 2014, at \$11.35 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Julie Smathers as a temporary, full-time Operator for the Glasgow Mosquito District beginning June 2, 2014, at \$10.35 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Jim Merideth as a temporary, part-time Sprayer for the Nashua Mosquito District beginning May 1, 2014, and ending October 1, 2014 at \$12.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Mary Fewer, as a temporary, part-time Attendant for the Museum beginning June 2, 2014, at \$8.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed, with Chairman Pippin abstaining from this vote because he is related to the applicant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute Notices of Employment for Sondra Thorn and Ruth Moran, as temporary, part-time Attendants for the Museum beginning June 2, 2014, at \$8.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Rachel Mickelson, as a temporary, part-time Attendant for the Museum beginning June 3, 2014, at \$8.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Karla Thompson, as a Nurse for the Health Department effective June 16, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Dora Jean Beil as a billing clerk for the Health Department due to reduction in force, budget restructuring, effective June 14, 2014. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and passed, with Commissioner Reinhardt abstaining from this vote because he is related to the applicant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Dora Jean Beil who has resigned as the Secretary for the Airport Commission, effective June 10, 2014. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and passed, with Commissioner Reinhardt abstaining from this vote because he is related to the applicant.

The next item on the agenda was the Compensation Board recommendation.

Chairman Pippin said that at the Compensation Board meeting on Tuesday, there was a motion passed to give all elected County Officials a 1.50% raise. Once the Commissioners have time to tabulate the increase and see how it affects the budgets, then they will make a decision on that recommendation. No action will be taken at this time.

The Right-of-Way Applications from NorVal was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that the applications have been submitted to the Road Department for consideration and have not been approved yet, so there will not be any action taken on them at this time.

The next item on the agenda was the Congregate Meal Contract for the Hinsdale senior citizens.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to sign the Nutrition Program Contract between the Valley County Council on Aging and Stoughie's Bar & Café to supply 1,200 senior citizen meals from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at \$9.50 per meal. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it carried.

The added agenda item to consider the congregate meals for the Frazer senior citizens was next.

Commissioner Peterson said that the Dining Club Contract from Sheila Spotted Bull was at \$4.75 per meal last year, and now they want to increase the cost to \$8.75 per meal.

After some discussion it was agreed by the Commissioners to accept the increase, but to reduce the number of meals to meet the budget. A contract will be drawn up for that decision by Vicky Wetz, Council on Aging (COA) Supervisor.

Commissioner Peterson informed the Commissioners that he will be out of the State of Montana on Thursday, June 12, the afternoon of June 16 and all day June 17, and June 24, 2014.

Mike Bain, Valley County Computer Technician, joined the meeting and reviewed his plans for the computer technology plans for Valley County and verify that he is on the right track.

He said that he had gotten all the passwords from Bill Gaffney and has changed them all, in addition to updating some software issues. He has been working at the Dispatch, adjusting some cables there. Discuss followed on the server system and the fact that Mr. Gaffney had ordered a new server but Mr. Bain said that he would rather have two separate servers set up instead of the one big server that was ordered for upstairs and the downstairs offices.

The Commissioners were in agreement that if Mr. Bain should cancel the order on the one server and see if he can get the two separate servers set up and Mr. Bain said he would check on the current status of the order.

Mr. Bain asked that Valley County develop and implement a Valley County Technology Policy. Discussion followed.

Mr. Bain said that he did not agree that all employees had to use the same programs for email and if they were more comfortable with the old email program, then they could use it. He said employees are more productive if they can use a program they are most efficient in and comfortable with.

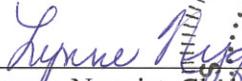
He asked if he could use Rene Clampitt and Sherry Turner as the individuals that employees refer to when Mr. Bain is not in the building for some technical support. The Commissioners agreed to that plan as long as those two individuals were comfortable with it.

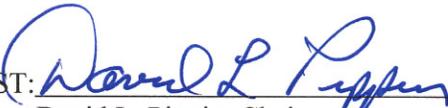
Mr. Bain said he would like to have some panel covers replaced that cover some computer cables in Dispatch and the Commissioners directed Mr. Bain to visit with Bob Steele, Maintenance Supervisor, about the panel covers that he wanted refaced.

Mr. Bain left the office.

The Board received the minutes from the Valley County T.V. Board meeting held April 9, 2014.

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

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman



**JUNE 12, 2014**

Chairman Pippin was in the office in the morning.

**JUNE 13, 2014**

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

Joe Younkin dropped off a letter of interest for a position at the Valley County Road Department. That letter was forwarded to the Road Department.

**JUNE 16, 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.

Norm Girard and the Commissioners put together the FYU 2014/15 budget for the Museum. A copy of this budget will also be submitted to Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder.

John Egosque visited with the Commissioners about a variety of issues.

Joe Yoeman, Fort Peck Fire Chief, joined the meeting and discussed some fire department issues at Fort Peck and his concerns that there are several fire departments that cannot meet the state fire requirements.

Rick Stellflug, Valley County Weed/Mosquito Coordinator, submitted his letter of retirement from Valley County effective July 1, 2014.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

At 9:45 a.m., Election Administrator Lynne Nyquist, and the Commissioners met as a Canvassing Board to canvass votes from the Primary Election held on June 3, 2014. The results are as follows:

**ELECTION RETURNS - PRIMARY ELECTION - June 3, 2014**

United States Senator DEMOCRAT RESULTS							
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	Total Number of Registered Electors	Total Votes Cast (49%)	Dirk S. Adams	John Bohlinger	John Walsh
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	628	328	12	48	68
	2	Frazer	287	55	1	8	16
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>84</b>
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	375	231	4	14	27
	4	Glasgow	1,493	722	29	60	165
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>1,868</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>192</b>
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	1,208	574	12	50	108
	6	Nashua	253	151	4	17	26
	7	Lustre	116	64	0	3	0
	8	Opheim	216	108	2	12	12
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>1,793</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>146</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>4,576</b>	<b>2,233</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>422</b>

DEMOCRAT RESULTS			United States Representative House District 31				House District 33	House District 34
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	John Driscoll	John Lewis	Bridget Smith	Bill Whitehead	Floyd Russell Hopstad	Gene O. Hartsock
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	63	52	80	27		
	2	Frazer	10	9	9	13		
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>40</b>		
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	25	14			39	
	4	Glasgow	104	114			222	
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>128</b>			<b>261</b>	
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	79	76				124
	6	Nashua	20	21				37
	7	Lustre	1	2				3
	8	Opheim	12	11				19
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>110</b>				<b>183</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>314</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>183</b>

REPUBLICAN RESULTS			United States Senator			United States Representative		
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	Susan Cundiff	Steve Daines	Champ Edmunds	Elsie Arntzen	Matt Rosendale	Corey Stapleton
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	19	148	9	22	28	79
	2	Frazer	1	23	1	2	5	8
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>87</b>
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	10	147	8	4	63	67
	4	Glasgow	33	342	20	38	73	162
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>229</b>
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	39	303	23	37	88	132
	6	Nashua	11	70	7	6	14	41
	7	Lustre	1	59	1	7	31	10
	8	Opheim	8	52	7	2	32	21
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>122</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>520</b>

REPUBLICAN RESULTS			United States Representative		Public Service Commiss. Dist. 1	House District 13	House District 34
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	Drew Turiano	Ryan Zinke	Travis Kavulla	Mike Lang	Austin Knudsen
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	2	35	127		
	2	Frazer	0	5	11		
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>138</b>		
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	1	32	132	148	
	4	Glasgow	5	98	302	334	
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>482</b>	
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	10	79	295		297
	6	Nashua	3	23	65		65
	7	Lustre	1	9	36		41
	8	Opheim	0	10	49		50
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>445</b>		<b>453</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>22</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>1,017</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>453</b>

NON-PARTISAN			Supreme Court Justice #1		Supreme Court Justice #2		Clerk & Recorder/ Supt. of Schools	Treasurer
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	W. David Herbert	Jim Rice	Lawrence VanDyke	Mike Wheat	Lynne Nyquist	Brenda Anderson
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	54	199	72	152	276	253
	2	Frazer	6	29	11	18	49	41
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>294</b>
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	39	164	67	87	197	183
	4	Glasgow	96	476	147	328	620	600
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>783</b>
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	112	339	131	277	503	481
	6	Nashua	10	109	40	67	124	116
	7	Lustre	9	40	23	18	42	45
	8	Opheim	15	57	27	43	76	76
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>718</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>341</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>1,887</b>	<b>1,795</b>

NON-PARTISAN			County Commissioner District #1		Sheriff/Coroner		County Attorney	
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	Dan Carr	Russell Dahl	Paul A. Tweten	Joe Horn	Glen Meier	Nickolas Murnion
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	74	75	169	114	206	253
	2	Frazer	4	28	16	22	29	42
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>295</b>
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	39	43	127	71	151	184
	4	Glasgow	215	172	297	267	438	576
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>760</b>
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	161	159	228	188	368	473
	6	Nashua	20	31	95	55	91	108
	7	Lustre	2	33	28	8	54	41
	8	Opheim	8	26	62	22	82	74
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>696</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>523</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>1,022</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>1,751</b>

NON-PARTISAN			Public Administrator	Justice of the Peace			
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	LeRoy A. Kountz	Christine Gamas	Dave Gorton	Christina M. Hilman	Ronald W. Kulczyk
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	219	53	131	67	42
	2	Frazer	27	24	11	6	5
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>47</b>
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	160	38	40	124	5
	4	Glasgow	492	123	299	135	50
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>55</b>
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	406	112	231	98	36
	6	Nashua	90	52	39	15	13
	7	Lustre	37	7	27	2	7
	8	Opheim	66	28	28	5	6
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>1,497</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>164</b>

NON-PARTISAN			Justice of the Peace		Maintenance and Improvements of Public Highways Levy		Additional Levy For Glasgow City County Library	
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	David L. McLean	Mary J. Strand	For	Against	For	Against
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	8	12	115	108	186	123
	2	Frazer	3	4	28	24	27	23
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>146</b>
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	8	4	106	111	117	100
	4	Glasgow	44	44	--	--	405	253
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>353</b>
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	35	35	145	183	310	235
	6	Nashua	10	10	27	19	82	62
	7	Lustre	5	4	29	27	25	29
	8	Opheim	7	11	34	36	43	48
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>374</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>120</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>873</b>

			Levy For Valley County Local Government Review		Levy For City of Glasgow Local Government Review		Levy For Town of Fort Peck Local Government Review	
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	For	Against	For	Against	For	Against
HD 31	1	Fort Peck	96	204			21	65
	2	Frazer	17	33				
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>237</b>			<b>21</b>	<b>65</b>
HD 33	3	Hinsdale	76	138				
	4	Glasgow	269	371	291	349		
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>349</b>		
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE	220	314	91	120		
	6	Nashua	43	103				
	7	Lustre	8	48				
	8	Opheim	22	62				
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>120</b>		
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>751</b>	<b>1,273</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>65</b>

			Town of Nashua Local Government Review		Town of Opheim Local Government Review	
District	Precinct Number	Precincts	For	Against	For	Against
HD 31	1	Fort Peck				
	2	Frazer				
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>				
HD 33	3	Hinsdale				
	4	Glasgow				
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>				
HD 34	5	Glasgow NE				
	6	Nashua	32	66		
	7	Lustre				
	8	Opheim			9	14
		<b>HD TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>32</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>

Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, inquired of the Commissioners as to the wages she should be using to pay the two positions she is currently advertising for, one nurse position and one temporary data entry clerk.

After much discussion it was agreed that Mrs. Boreson should consider \$21.00 per hour for the nurse position and \$15.00 per hour for the clerk position and Mrs. Boreson left the office.

Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day to travel out of the State of Montana for the rest of the afternoon and tomorrow.

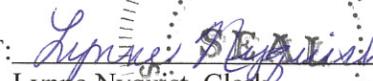
Lee Cornwell discussed some road maintenance being done, cattle guards and asked Commissioner Reinhardt for some verification on whether some roads in question were actually County Roads.

Commissioner Reinhardt and Mr. Cornwell left the office to get more information on the roads in question from René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, visited with Commissioner Reinhardt about the upcoming meeting being held in Helena this week that Commissioner Reinhardt was going to attend. Brenda Anderson will also be attending those meetings. The meeting is regarding SB56, to return the responsibility of putting the special district fees on the tax statements to the County Treasurer's Offices.

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

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman



JUNE 17, 2014

Chairman Pippin was in the office in the morning.

Commissioner Reinhardt was in Helena attending some Treasurer's meetings. Brenda Anderson from the Valley County Treasurer's Office was also in attendance of this meeting.

Bob Hanson, Long Run Fire Department Chief, submitted his proposed budget for next year.

Chairman Pippin visited with Bob Hanson, Long Run Fire Department Chief, about his proposed budget.

Darrin McMurry and John Daggett visited with Chairman Pippin about the roads in the Fort Peck Lake area.

Chairman Pippin left the office to attend the Weed and Mosquito District Board meeting.

The Commissioners received a letter from the Valley County Weed Board requesting that Stone Tihista be hired as the Valley County Weed Coordinator, at \$17.75 per hour, to replace Rick Stellflug now that he has retired.

Stone Tihista, Valley County Weed/Mosquito Assistant Coordinator, visited with Chairman Pippin about the needs of the Coordinator position.

Chairman Pippin attended the Valley County Airport Commission special meeting at 6:00 to discuss the Airport's budget.

**JUNE 18, 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.

Commissioner Peterson and Mrs. Strommen attended the Safety Committee meeting this morning at 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.

Commissioner Peterson left the office.

Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and Todd Young joined the meeting.

Tara Hicks, Nemont Telephone, visited with the group about some Right-of-Way (ROW) Applications that she was submitting for the Fort Peck area.

Chairman Pippin asked Mrs. Hicks if Nemont would share the maps of their projects with the Road Department and she agreed to do that.

After reviewing the ROW Applications, Mr. Tweten signed off on the applications for the Commissioners to accept.

The group left the office.

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

Due to the fact that Chairman Pippin was the only Commissioners present at this time, D&D was cancelled and will be rescheduled for next week.

Mr. Ozark left the office.

Mrs. Davidson discussed issues involved with St. Marie with Chairman Pippin.

Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Dowell left the office.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

Valley County Conservation District Board members Jody Mason, Penny Shipp, Nancy Heins, Jeff Pattison, and Ron Garwood and Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Mrs. Heins said she had dropped off some material regarding an ordinance to protect Valley County property owners from bison/buffalo grazing and asked if Mr. Murnion or the Commissioners had any questions.

Mr. Murnion asked if these were the actual documents that McCone County had used and Mrs. Heins said that there was a highlighted sentence in the document that the Valley County Conservation District has added.

Mr. Murnion asked the group to submit a petition or a letter from the Conservation District requesting the acceptance of the ordinance. He said he would like to see some documentation of the Grazing District's boundaries to be included with that request.

Commissioner Peterson said because there are so many counties doing this, maybe this could be changed at the legislature level to get this all done at once.

Mr. Pattison reviewed some past history with the Conservation Districts' attempts to get this done through legislation. The Legislature has tried several times to get something done to monitor the bison/buffalo.

The problem comes in when the designation of "wild, free roaming bison" comes into the conversation, there is a loss of all designation and supervision. Mr. Pattison said the Districts are totally supportive of private property rights, anyone can put buffalo or bison on their private property, that is their right. However, if property owners do not want buffalo or bison on their private land, and someone's bison gets out and damages or infringes on other property, the bison and or buffalo owners have to be liable. He said he wants to keep it as simple as possible, other land owners can do what they want on their land, but he wants the right to keep them off his private property, with no freedom from liability when property is damaged. Discussion followed.

Mr. Pattison said that he had visited with the Department of Livestock regarding the brucellosis factor. He was told in order to get accurate information to document that herds are brucellosis free, there has to be three years of disease free testing. So, those animals have to be in captivity to do the required testing and documentation before they are transported anywhere. The American Prairie Reserve (APR) has stated they want to have 30,000 wild, free roaming bison in Northeastern Montana.

Commissioner Peterson said that if he wanted to raise buffalo on his private land, then does the Conservation District have to approve a permit that is submitted to the Conservation District Board.

Mrs. Mason said that there has to be an application filed with the Valley County Conservation District in that case.

Commissioner Peterson said that he understands that property owners should have the right to protect their land.

Chairman Pippin said that he had a discussion with Dean Reddig, who raises bison on his land in Valley County, and Mr. Reddig was concerned that this ordinance was to eliminate bison in Valley County and he would no longer be able to raise bison. The Conservation group verified that an application would have to be submitted to the Conservation District to have bison. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin asked about having a grandfather clause for those already in place and Commissioner Peterson said if the land owner is doing it right and being responsible then he did not see any problem requiring them to submit an application.

Mr. Murnion pointed out that there are buffalo at Fort Peck and Chairman Pippin said that those animals belong to Fish Wildlife and Parks. Discussion followed on some different options regarding the grandfather clause.

The group came to the consensus that a grandfather clause does not need to be added.

Mr. Garwood said they are trying to be proactive and take care of the problem before it becomes a big issue in Valley County.

Mr. Pattison asked when the deadline was to have all this turned in and the requirements met to put it on the November ballot.

Mrs. Heins said that it would not have to be put on the ballot if the Commissioners are willing to pass it as a Valley County Ordinance.

Mr. Murnion said that putting it on the ballot may be helpful and make the public aware of it.

Mr. Pattison said we have a lot of petitions signed in support of this issue and he would not be afraid to put it on a ballot. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Heinz said that all the petitions they have been accumulating does not reference this ordinance or election so they would have to start over with all that.

After some discussion it was agreed that there will be another meeting in about a week with the Conservation District. It was pointed out that there should be a public meeting held before a decision is made on the ordinance request. It will take a couple of weeks of advertising in the paper before the public meeting can be held and then the Commissioners can put it on their agenda for a decision.

Chairman Pippin said the Commissioners want to make sure they are meeting all the requirements because this is an important and rather powerful document. If the Commissioners are going to make the decision to not put it on the ballot then we need to make sure we have a public meeting for any protests to be heard and have the documents available to the public.

It was verified that the Conservation District needs to submit a formal request to the Commissioners and the original documentation of McCone County's Ordinance, then meet again with the Commissioners in a week or so, and the group left the office.

Joe Vanderwoude, Valley County Food Bank Director, joined the meeting.

Mr. Vanderwoude said that he has just recently taken over the position as Director for the Food Bank and has discovered that the requirements for the renewal of the tax free exemption benefit has not be done for the Food Bank for the past three years. Now the Valley County Food Bank is left to find a sponsor for the remainder of the year who will become fiscally responsible for their organization until they can get the renewal completed for the next year.

After some discussion Commissioner Peterson phoned Betty Stone, Two Rivers Director, to ask if Two Rivers could assist the Food Bank during this time of transition and Mrs. Stone asked that Mr. Vanderwoude come and meet with her to explain the situation and she was fairly confident Two Rivers could assist the Food Bank.

Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Vanderwoude if the current Food Bank building was sufficient to meet their needs and Mr. Vanderwoude said it is nothing fancy, but meets their needs even though Harvey Wall is pushing for a new building. Mr. Vanderwoude said there are not enough funds to maintain a new, bigger building. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Vanderwoude about the Food Network program for the Council on Aging and said that the Council on Aging is considering dropping it. Mr. Vanderwoude said he would pay the \$75 membership fee to keep Valley County in it if that was the issue because he orders the commodity food for the Food Bank through the Food Network and that is available through the Council on Aging's association. He said without Valley County's association he could not use the service. Discussion followed.

Mr. Vanderwoude left the office to meet with Betty Stone.

Vicky Wetz, Council on Aging (COA) Supervisor, joined the meeting.

The Commissioners asked Mrs. Wetz if the COA was going to use the Food Bank Network because there was a contract with that needed to be signed to continue using the service.

Mrs. Wetz said that she found out that if the County does not continue to be a member, and not sign the contract, then Valley County can never use this service again. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Receipt of Agency Policy Manual and Partner Agency Agreement for the Montana Food Bank Network which verifies that Valley County has received a copy of the Policy Manual and understand the policies and procedures contained therein. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

Jenny Chalmers, Action for Eastern Montana, joined the meeting.

Mrs. Chalmers reviewed the proposed Council on Aging budget for next year with the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Montana's Older Americans Act Programs Contract from the Area I Agency on Aging Contract No.81-600-1443, effective July 1, 2014, through June 31, 2015, between Valley County and the Area I Agency, with the Agency providing funding of \$102,339 and the County contributing \$18,747. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it carried.

Stone Tihista, Valley County Weed/Mosquito Assistant Coordinator, and Glasgow Mosquito District Board Chairman Norm Girard joined the meeting.

Mr. Girard submitted a letter from the Glasgow Mosquito District Board requesting that Stone Tihista be appointed to take the Mosquito Supervisor position which has become vacant due to the retirement of Rick Stellflug. The letter also said that they would pay \$20.50 per hour for this position.

Chairman Pippin said that the Glasgow Mosquito District Board can designate what they want because that Board is an autonomous Board and have full control of all their funds, which do not come from the County wide fund. The Valley County Commissioners will make the decision as to what Ms. Tihista is paid as the Weed Supervisor because that salary is paid by Valley County as part of the County wide levy.

Mr. Girard asked if Ms. Stone is then paid an average of all her salary amounts because the Weed Supervisor pay is less.

Chairman Pippin said that Ms. Stone designates on her time sheet what hours she is working for which entity, and then she is paid the appointed wage for each different entity. It was pointed out that Ms. Tihista's salary is budgeted at 75% of her hours paid by the Weed District, and 25% is paid by Glasgow Mosquito District funds. He estimated that if the Commissioners take the recommendation from the Weed District Board to pay \$17.50 per hour for the Weed Supervisor, her average wage per hour with the \$20.50 being paid by the Glasgow Mosquito District, would average \$18.39 per hour over all. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that in the past the Weed/Mosquito Supervisor, worked four, 10 hour days in the summer months, and then five, 8 hour days through the winter, and that is something that needs to be discussed. He said he would like to see some more work done looking for grants.

Mr. Girard said that the Glasgow Mosquito District is looking at expanding their services and Ms. Tihista will be working on that project too.

Ms. Tihista said that she is behind on spraying due to the wet weather. She anticipates she will need to put in overtime hours to get the spraying done when the weather is good enough to spray, and that may be on the weekends. She asked if she could take comp time and then use that time to take off in the winter.

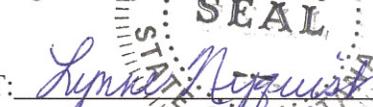
Chairman Pippin said that Valley County does not allow anyone to take comp time because it is such a nightmare to track for the payroll department. Discussion followed.

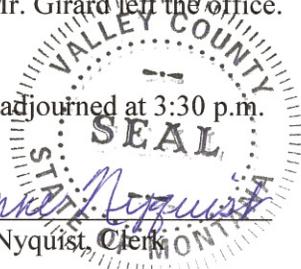
Commissioner Peterson said they understand that the weather dictates her spraying, but she needs to keep her budget in mind when she is working overtime.

Chairman Pippin said the Commissioners will not make a decision on her salary until all the Commissioners are present.

Ms. Tihista and Mr. Girard left the office.

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

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**JUNE 19, 2014**

Chairman Pippin was in the office today working on a variety of projects.

Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor visited with Chairman Pippin about an employee issue and she and Chairman Pippin left the office for a short while to get some direction from Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney.

Commissioner Reinhardt stopped in to drop off a County vehicle that he had used to go to the meetings in Helena.

Chairman Pippin returned to the office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign Task Order 15-17-6-11-055-0 to Valley County Unified Government Master Contract between the Montana Department of Public Health and Valley County that covers the period of July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2019, for Public Health Emergency Preparedness. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign Task Order 15-07-5-01-053-0 to Valley County Unified Government Master Contract between the Montana Department of Public Health and Valley County that covers the period of July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2019, for Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Program. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

Jeff Pattison visited with Chairman Pippin about the Conservation District meeting that was held yesterday in this office.

Bob Hanson, Long Run Fire Department Chief, visited with Chairman Pippin.

Jarid Fast visited with Chairman Pippin about getting a couple loads of gravel for the Lustre School. Chairman Pippin agreed to give Mr. Fast the gravel for the School and asked Mr. Fast to find some dirt to

donate to Valley County to add to the gravel in front of the Lustre School to make a better pack and safer road. Mr. Fast agreed to find some dirt and he left the office.

Chairman Pippin phoned Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, to inform him of this transaction.

Chairman Pippin left the office and went to the ASCS office to inform them of the change in acreage for the farm land near the Valley County Airport that is leased out to the Miller Brothers. The FAA has designated that approximately 45 acres be taken away from that farm lease and cannot be farmed or leased out anymore.

Lynn Miller stopped in and picked up the Airport Commission Agricultural Land Use Permit for the Valley County Airport Commission to lease 770.80 acres of land owned by Valley County for a lease amount of \$24,280.20 per year. This contract has been adjusted removing 45 acres per FAA requirements. Mrs. Miller said she wanted to take the document to read and she would get the signatures done and returned with a check.

#### **JUNE 20, 2014**

Commissioner Peterson was in the office this morning to participate in three job interviews with Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, who is filling a temporary clerical position for the Health Department.

Nancy Hamilton, Safety Coordinator, visited with Chairman Pippin about a Safety Committee issue.

Chairman Pippin participated in the Action for Eastern Montana Governing Board meeting via telephone conference this morning.

The Board received a County Road Name Form from Shirley Blatter to keep the current Riverside Drive Road as the same name. This form had 12 signatures on it. René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, had been considering changing the road name because there are so many roads with "Riverside" in the name that it can cause some confusion in emergency situations.

#### **JUNE 23, 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.

Doris Ozark, Fair Commission Manager, visited with Commissioner Peterson about her current budget and the fair expenses coming up.

Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder, joined the meeting to assist with the fair budgeting.

Chairman Pippin joined the meeting.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, submitted her letter of resignation as Valley County Treasurer effective July 31, 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Zoning Compliance form from Nelcon, Inc. to develop the Nybakken Site gravel pit. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 619, between Valley County and NorVal Electric Cooperative, for the construction of an underground utility line located in the Schuster Subdivision, Sections 2, 9, 10, 11, 15, and 16, Township 35 North, Range 43 East. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed. The said Document, No. 153821, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 27, 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 620, between Valley County and NorVal Electric Cooperative, for the construction of an underground utility line located in the Schuster Subdivision, Sections 2, 9, 10, 11, 15, and 16, Township 35 North, Range 43 East. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed. The said Document, No. 153822, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 27, 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 621, between Valley County and Mike Ames, for the construction of an underground power line located at the grain bin site in Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 26 North, Range 43 East. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed. The said Document, No. 153823, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 27, 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 622, between Valley County and Nemont Telephone Cooperative, for the construction of an underground utility line located in Section 1, Township 29 North, Range 39 East and Section 6, Township 28 North, Range 39 East. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed. The said Document, No. 153919, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on July 11, 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 623, between Valley County and Nemont Telephone Cooperative, for the construction of an underground utility line located on Johnson Road North of Glasgow, in Section 4, Township 29 North, Range 40 East. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed. The said Document, No. 153920, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on July 11, 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 624, between Valley County and Nemont Telephone Cooperative, for the construction of an underground utility line located on West Hanson Road, North of Glasgow, in Section 319 and 30, Township 29 North, Range 40 East. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed. The said Document, No. 153921, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on July 11, 2014.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute Certificate of Survey No. 421 for Ryan Fast, New Deal Farm, LLP, for the purpose to create an agriculture exempt parcel over 20 acres, located in:

**Government Lots 3 and 4, and portion of Government Lot 2, Section 5, Township 26 North, Range 41 East, Montana Principal Meridian, Valley County, Montana;**

The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried. The said Document, No. 153899, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on July 7, 2014.

Hud Huddleston, Richland, informed the Commissioners of an incident at Richland where some of the dike surrounding the Town of Richland had been removed.

Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and Road employee Todd Young joined the meeting. Mr. Tweten and Mr. Young handed out some documentation and reviewed proposed Road Department budget for the next fiscal year.

The group left the office.

Pat Gunderson, BLM, joined the meeting to update the Commissioners on some things going on with the BLM.

The BLM is going to do some maintenance work on the Bentonite Road beyond the old Bentonite Plant. They will be replacing some culverts once their engineer surveys the area and gets a plan developed. He said they are estimating it will cost about \$180,000 for the project. Discussion followed.

The BLM is also looking at some range improvement projects by repairing some dams that are repairable. There are a couple pipeline projects included that have been on the books for quite a long time to be repaired. Mr. Gunderson said that it is cost prohibitive for them to fix every dam out there, but they are evaluating the major routes and water reservoirs and evaluating needs. Some of the proposed projects were discussed.

Mr. Gunderson said he is on the Governor's Private Lands Public Wildlife Council as the BLM representative. This Council was originally set up in 1995 and meets every month. This Council recommended the block management program and is interested in working with the counties to designate which roads are public roads and putting together maps that will designate these roads. He said there may be some seed money available from the BLM to help fund someone for the counties to hire to put this information together. He suggested perhaps a committee be developed to work on this project also.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that this group would need to work with René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, who has mapped a lot of the roads already and has some of the information.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Mr. Gunderson said that they would like roads investigated and those documents scanned for future access. He suggested they work on this in the winter months, this is not a pressing project, just one to think about and organize. Discussion followed.

Mr. Gunderson left the office.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, reviewed some pictures of the dike and bin site at Richland that is causing an issue for some of the property owners there.

Colleen Pankratz, Valley County Transit Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about an employee issue.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, updated the Commissioners on what she has discovered that is still owed by Choice Aviation to the Valley County Airport. She said this information will be given to Darrell Morehouse who is conversing with Choice Aviation about this issue.

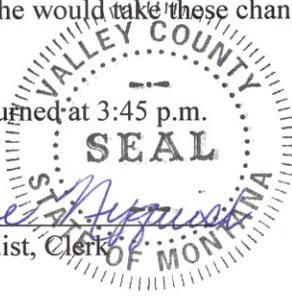
Lynn Miller visited with Chairman Pippin about their farm lease contract with the Valley County Airport and some adjustments they want made to the lease. She also said her husband had sprayed weeds on some Valley County Airport ground and they want to submit a bill for payment.

Chairman Pippin told her to bring in a bill for the spraying and it will be given to the Valley County Airport for consideration and Mrs. Miller left the office.

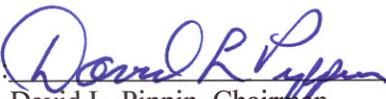
Chairman Pippin said he would take these changes to the Airport Commission for action.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

A circular seal for Valley County, Montana, with the text "VALLEY COUNTY" at the top and "SEAL OF MONTANA" at the bottom. The seal is partially obscured by the signature of Lynne Nyquist.  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "David L. Pippin".  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**JUNE 24, 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, phoned and said he was in Richland taking pictures of the dike that was altered. He said he wanted the Commissioners know that Marty Thievin was coming down to meet with the Commissioners about this issue this morning.

Connie Boreson, Valley County Health Department Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about an employee issue. After some discussion Commissioner Peterson and Mrs. Boreson left the office to visit with Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

Marty Thievin and Jeremy Thievin (JT), Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, and Lucas Strommen Valley County Deputy, joined the meeting.

Chairman Pippin said that Richland is a platted Townsite and the Valley County Commissioners hold the jurisdiction in the Townsite. He asked the group if there was a solution to their problem of access that is amicable to everyone.

Marty Thievin said that last year Commissioner Reinhardt was up there and looked at the site and saw that the Theivins cannot get a truck into their grain sites the way it is set up now with the dike right there.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that it looked like they could get a single axle truck in, and then would have to back out.

Marty Thievin said that one cannot turn a single axle truck around in there without getting on the Huddleston's property which is posted no trespassing everywhere. Mr. Huddleston has leased additional

property around these grain site sand before the Thievin's were able to drive on that land in the past to access their bins. Now the Huddlestons will not allow them that access. Marty Thievin questioned the need for the dike around Richland because he has never seen any water diverted by the dike. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that the dike was put in for a reason back in the sixties, because Valley County would not have spent the money to build it without a reason.

JT said the only other solution would be to move their bins. He said they do not have small enough equipment anymore to access those bins. Once an auger is put into the bins, it is on the dike. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he was told the Thievin's said that Commissioner Reinhardt had given the Thievin's permission to tear the dike out if needed and Commissioner Reinhardt said did not give anyone permission to do anything to the dike. Discussion followed.

The Thievin's said they had hired a cleaner to go in and clean the peas that are located in these bins. When the cleaner crew got to the bins, Mr. Huddleston came over and threw a fit and stopped the whole process. Discussion followed.

JT said if they could put a culvert in the ditch beside the dike, and construct an approach, then they could get to their bins. The group reviewed a map of the dike area and discussed some different options.

JT pointed out that the culvert located on the Richland Road is higher than the ditch, so the water does not flow through there now and should be moved further down the ditch.

Chairman Pippin asked the Thievin's if they had equipment to put in a culvert and build an approach, and JT said yes they could do that. Chairman Pippin said the Thievin's would need to submit a Right-of-Way Application to build an approach.

JT said they would put in the culvert and do the dirt work necessary to build the approach to their bins.

After much discussion it was agreed by the Commissioners that they would discuss this with Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator. If the current culvert needs to be moved, then the Valley County Road crew could go in and move the present culvert and insert another one for the approach that the Thievin's need to gain access to their bins. The Commissioners will get back to the Thievin's with their plan.

Marty Thievin said that they have always tried to work with the County, they allowed the County to get gravel off their land when it was needed for the garbage pit and they just want to get along.

JT said if the County needs more fill dirt for this project, then they would have some.

The group left the office.

Barron Parks, Merrill Franz and Robin Martinez from St. Marie joined the meeting, in addition to René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, to discuss some Subdivision zoning.

Mr. Parks said that St. Marie needs a good survey done that indicates where all the water and sewer lines are, the buildings, streets and all easements for services and utilities described. The main reason he is here is because he contacted North Valley Water and Sewer District to see a map of their services and they said they did not have one. The Water District's original agreement stated that the District was supposed to have a survey completed documenting the location of all their services. He said because the original agreement stated they would supply this, he feels that they should pay for someone to do it.

Chairman Pippin said that Valley County may have some "as built" documents that may show some of these services.

Mr. Parks said that Boeing did a survey of their property, but they are not willing to give up that document and they say they own it, and are not willing to give up the information.

Chairman Pippin suggested Mr. Parks send a letter to Boeing requesting access to that survey.

Mr. Parks said that the lawyer who represents the St. Marie Village and St. Marie Condo Association has communicated to DTM Enterprises, LLC, that the Village and Condo groups are in opposition to any further development by DTM and they have said they will have their lawyer take action against DTM if they proceed.

Mr. Parks said he would like to ask the County Commissioners to ask those at St. Marie to hold off on any judgment until DTM has a preliminary plat and survey done for the St. Marie people to look at. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said the Commissioners would need a written request from Mr. Parks and Mr. Parks agreed to do that.

Mr. Parks said he would like to discuss the process involved regarding Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning. The main purpose of this process is to leave the St. Marie condominiums as they are, but then add to the protective covenants a declaration of townhouses, which would allow those that would prefer to be a townhouse, the option to change. He said this would allow owners to choose which they want to be and also allow them to change back from townhouse or condominium. Per HB460, the declaration of townhouses must have their underlying ground to be zoned appropriately. He would like this done along with the major subdivision review process. The review process would include public meetings so people can sit down and discuss everything involved.

Chairman Pippin said that submitting a new subdivision would require it to go through a full review and meet the Valley County Subdivision Regulations and Mr. Parks verified that he knows that to be true. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin verified that the first thing wanted by Mr. Parks was to find a schematic indicating all the property lines and services from North Valley County Water and Sewer District and a request for a zoning with the submission of a major subdivision with a full review and Mr. Parks verified that was true.

Chairman Pippin said he was not sure how we would handle the zoning request.

Mr. Parks said that the St. Marie Condominium can legally have 250 units and there are over 1,000 condominium units out there which means those over and above the 250 are just "structures on the prairie". Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said there were condo deeds issued to those owners in the original St. Marie Condominium group. Discussion followed regarding the common areas involved in the condominiums and the problem involved with changing to a townhouse.

Mr. Parks said that most of the people at St. Marie think this process will have a negative impact, but the survey would clarify a lot of questions and define the common areas, it would not take anything away from their elements.

Chairman Pippin said that Mr. Parks would need cooperation from everyone at St. Marie to get any of this done.

Mr. Parks said he would like to get the survey done, then have an owners meeting to review the plans. Valley County Roads will be part of this too, and will have to be verified. He said he believed that Valley County still owns the lagoon sites at St. Marie.

Chairman Pippin said he had thought the lagoons had been deeded over to the Valley County Water and Sewer District and that was verified as being done. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Peterson asked who would pay for the survey that Mr. Parks wants to develop.

Mr. Parks said that is still a question. DTM said they would pay for the survey, but Mr. Parks believes that the Water District was supposed to provide that survey.

Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Bethea if he agreed that a survey was needed.

Mr. Bethea said yes. The question of who owns the tracts that are designated as condominiums will verify the St. Marie condominiums separate, as he believed the Bankruptcy Judge intended to happen a long time ago, but it was never done. Discussion followed.

Mr. Parks said once the survey is started they will have an owners meeting for review. He said he would like to meet with Rene Clampitt, Planner, to discuss ownership. He said everyone knows that the ownership issue at St. Marie is a wreck. He asked if the County would suspend the rejection of a minor subdivision review, until after the owners meeting is held. He asked if they could proceed through the preliminary plat review process up to the time of the owners meeting, without it being rejected. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that he believed Mr. Parks should send a letter to the other entities at St. Marie and tell them that they have met with the Commissioners and explain to them his plan requesting they help work through this process to develop the survey. He asked Mr. Parks what it will cost for the survey.

Mr. Parks said the survey will cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Peterson said he would like to get Mrs. Clampitt's response.

Mrs. Clampitt said that Valley County Subdivision Regulations dictate what she has to go by and everybody in the County gets treated the same. There are no favors or changes on how subdivisions are reviewed, they have to meet the regulations. Discussion followed.

Mr. Parks said that if any one owner does not agree, then that ultimately stops all development.

Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, joined the meeting and they reviewed what had been previously discussed.

Mr. Parks said he is not trying to force this on anyone, he just wants them to keep an open mind and look at it before they make any decision. Mr. Parks said they have tried to work with the St. Marie people and they will not even look at anything. He said the press has made the people very fearful of the changes. Discussion followed.

Mr. Murnion said the fact that St. Marie Condo and the Water District has had their lawyer involved indicates that there is pretty strong evidence that you have people who disagree.

Mr. Parks said that this meeting today was to start a dialogue with Valley County to inform them of what they are trying to do and answer questions.

Mr. Murnion said it looks like Mr. Parks has a huge mountain to get over, to get the agreement of all the property owners. Mr. Murnion said he has read the Declaration of the North Valley County Condominiums and it is similar to St. Marie's Condominium's but there seems to be a variety of views on how to identify the common land and everyone is paying taxes on that land and no matter who tries to identify or fix this, someone can sue and stop any proceeds. Mr. Murnion said that he does not see any way around it. There is no way to get anything done without the agreement of 100% of the property owners. Discussion followed.

Mr. Murnion said that Mrs. Clampitt still will have to have some sort of title policy that says who owns what and who has to sign off on that property. If there is some sort of difference in opinion as to who owns the property, then there would have to be an order from a Court that determines the ownership.

Mr. Frantz said that there was a bankruptcy and a ruling made by a Judge. Was it the purpose of the Bankruptcy Judge that the owners of the 250 units were to control everything that happens at St. Marie. How could anyone get any return on their stock at that rate. He did not believe it was the Judge's intent to tie everybody's hands at St. Marie.

Mr. Murnion said that we are back to legal procedures and differences of opinion. We deal with finite things, surveys, deeds, things that prove ownership. We do not make the decision as to who owns it, we require that the information be supplied to determine ownership.

Mr. Parks said that was one of the reasons he was here to ask for the suspension of the proof of ownership requirements for a subdivision.

Mr. Murnion said we cannot do that. Even if we did, we would be named in the same lawsuit that you would be named in. He said he does not disagree with what Mr. Parks is trying to do, we just have to follow the law and it looks like a big mountain to get over. Mr. Murnion said that the quiet title action may be a way to get some clear titles on some of the properties.

Mr. Frantz said they have been studying quiet title actions quite a bit and a superior title must be shown. He said after much study they cannot find a definition of the common areas because it does not exist.

Mr. Murnion said that the definition of the common area would probably have to be determined by a District Judge.

Chairman Pippin said perhaps they could just take a defined area and do one area at time. Define the property such as Tract 5 to begin with. Go to the other entities at St. Marie and tell them you met with the County Commissioners and the Commissioners would like to see them all work together for the good of St. Marie. Discussion followed.

The group left the office.

John Daggett and Darin McMurry, US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), joined the meeting to discuss the Easement for Public Roads or Streets which will turn some roads in the Fort Peck area over to Valley County Roads.

The document was reviewed and some changes were discussed and deemed not necessary for this road easement because the language seemed to be for construction easements and Mr. Daggett said he would discuss the removal of those references with their Land Office where the document was developed. A termination clause for both parties will be added as the document now only has a termination clause for the Corps.

Chairman Pippin wanted to make sure the easement allows Valley County to construct a couple of turnaround areas for emergency vehicles when needed and Mr. McMurry said he would verify that the option for them are included on the survey and in the document to be accessible for the duration of the document, twenty five years.

René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, joined the meeting.

Mr. Daggett asked what the Kirkland Farm Estates Subdivision had designated for their fire suppression through the irrigation system that they have permitted through the Corps. He said that their permit is designated as irrigation for the golf course. If their primary use is fire suppression, then the Kirklands would have to submit a request to the Corps for this change.

Mrs. Clampitt said that the Kirklands have installed a dry hydrant that will be supplied through their irrigation pump. Discussion followed.

Mr. McMurry said that the pipe for the dry hydrant could be run on the Kirkland's private property and would not have to be run through the Corps and Mr. Daggett agreed that the Corps may require the Kirklands to do that as the Corps does not provide to a business.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that the Kirkland Subdivision was approved based on the addition of this hydrant for fire suppression and questioned what they could do now after the Subdivision Plat was recorded. Discussion followed.

Mr. Daggett said that the Corp would need to send a letter to the Kirklands requesting them to submit a request to change their irrigation designation, and a copy of any correspondence that was sent to the Kirklands regarding their subdivision will also be sent to Valley County.

Mr. Daggett informed the Commissioners that the Corps will be fencing the Boys Scout Camp near the Kirkland Subdivision. He also told the Commissioners that the Corps is auctioning off the buildings at the Pine's Youth Camp and they will be removed from that camp site. If the buildings are not sold and removed, the Corps will destroy those buildings.

Mr. McMurry said they would discuss all the changes requested by the Commissioners on the easement document with the Corps' Land Office, and will meet again with the Commissioners to review the updated document and get signatures as soon as possible and they left the office.

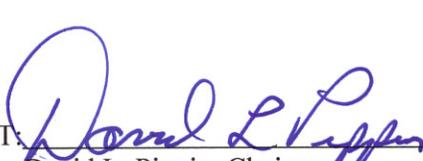
Commissioner Reinhardt and Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

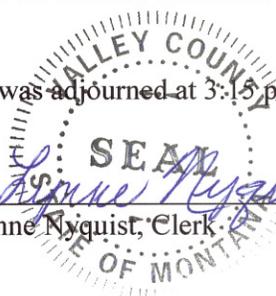
Victor Hart, Technology Advisor for First Call, Missoula, MT, visited with Chairman Pippin about the computer tech services their company could provide. Mr. Hart said they specialize in networking systems and his company will also do projects such as the install of a network system. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Hart to submit a quote to supply those services for Valley County and Mr. Hart agreed to do that and he left the office.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman



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, and Jack Knorr, GreatWest Engineering, joined the meeting.

Mr. Knorr told the Commissioners that there is a fuel tax of \$.02 per gallon that is sold in Valley County that could be assessed in Valley County to be used for road maintenance. He said that this is done by putting it on a ballot for the people of Valley County to vote on. Discussion followed.

Stan Ozark, KLTZ/Mix 93, 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 he wanted to add the Richland dike issue to the agenda.

The Chairman asked for any public comment and there was none given.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Jennifer Trevino as a temporary, full-time Operator for the Weed Department effective June 16, 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 Jeffrey L. Gunter as a temporary, full-time Detention Officer for the Sheriff's Office effective June 16, 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 Julie Smathers as a temporary, full-time Operator for the Glasgow Mosquito District effective June 16, 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 Douglas C. Donoho as a permanent, part-time Detention Officer for the Sheriff's Office beginning June 21, 2014, at \$11.86 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 Employment for Dewayne Ozark as a permanent, full-time Detention Officer for the Sheriff's Office increasing his salary to \$15.00 per hour effective July 1, 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 Rick Gamas as a temporary, full-time Mower for the Road Department, beginning June 23, 2014, at \$11.91 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 Employment for Brian Roness as a temporary, full-time Mower for the Road Department, beginning July 17, 2014, at \$11.91 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 Employment for Anthony Sones as a temporary, full-time Operator for the Weed Department, beginning June 12, 2014 at \$10.85 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 Employment for Jake Hentges as a short term, Office Clerk for the Fair Department, beginning June 1, 2014, at \$9.00 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 Employment for Kerry Hentges as a short term, Office Clerk for the Fair Department, beginning June 1, 2014, at \$11.00 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 Employment for Merrick Eliason as a short term, Grounds Worker for the Fair Department, beginning

June 1, 2014, at \$8.50 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 Employment for Taylor Johnson as a short term, Office Clerk/Grounds Worker for the Fair Department, beginning June 17, 2014, at \$8.25 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 Employment for Paul Tweten, changing his position to Road Supervisor for the Road Department, effective July 1, 2014, increasing his salary to \$21.77 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 Employment for Todd Young, changing his position to Road Administrator for the Road Department, effective July 1, 2014, increasing his salary to \$19.09 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 Employment for Stone Tihista, changing her position to Weed Coordinator for Valley County, effective July 1, 2014, increasing her salary to \$16.31 per hour in this position. 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 Jennifer Reinhardt, who submitted her letter of resignation earlier, as the full-time Valley County Treasurer effective July 31, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

Chairman Pippin said that the Commissioners will have to consider who will be appointed to the Treasurer's position to replace Mrs. Reinhardt.

Commissioner Peterson said they will need to check with Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, to verify the correct procedure to replace the Treasurer.

The next item on the agenda was the Two Rivers Membership.

Chairman Pippin said the past two years Valley County has paid \$500 per year for this membership and we have an invoice for this year's membership at \$600. He said personally he favors staying a member of this organization.

Commissioner Peterson made the motion to pay \$600 for the annual membership, July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt.

Chairman Pippin asked for discussion and Commissioner Reinhardt said he would prefer to stick with the \$500 as they have been doing.

Chairman Pippin asked for the vote and the motion passed unanimously.

Right-of-Way Applications were the next item on the agenda and there was none submitted for action at this time.

The next item on the agenda was the Request for Records Disposal-Valley County Clerk & Recorder.

Chairman Pippin said that even after the Commissioners approve this document, the State still has to sign off on this approval to dispose these records.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to sign the Request for Records Disposal or Transfer Authorization submitted by Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

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

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

The next item on the agenda was to appoint board members for Valley County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to appoint Maggan Walstad and Dr. Chelsie McAllister, DVM, as members of the Valley County Board of Health for three-year terms ending June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to appoint Brandi Knierim as a member of the Valley County Board of Health, with a term ending June 30, 2016, filling the vacated seat of Shirley Baumgartner. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and unanimously carried.

The added agenda item from Commissioner Reinhardt, the Richland dike issue was next.

Commissioner Reinhardt said Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, was up in Richland and looked at the site in question and took some pictures and they were reviewed. The culvert is a four foot culvert and the Thievins said it was backing up water, but the water has always backed up in that area, and it has nothing to do with the culvert. The culvert was hit by the mower and the end is bent down some, but it does not affect the flow of the water. There is nothing wrong with the culvert and it does not need to be moved.

Mr. Tweten said when he was there taking pictures one of the local property owners said they remembered when the dike was put in because they had a big down pour and there was a foot of water that ran through the Town of Richland. That was when the dike was built, probably in the 1960's.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he thought there should maybe be a two foot culvert, installed and build the approach so there is access to the bins, keeping the dike intact. He said the approach is not any responsibility of Valley County's. He said the cost of the culvert would be around \$800. Commissioner Reinhardt said Sheriff Meier had said that due to all the conflict going on that Valley County Road Department should probably do the road work.

After some discussion it was agreed to send a letter to the Thievins and if they want to provide the two foot culvert, then the Valley County Road department will do the work to install a culvert and put in an approach along the dike at Richland.

Mr. Ozark left the office.

Valley County Conservation District Board members Jody Mason, Penny Shipp, Nancy Heins, Jeff Pattison, Dick Rohde and Ron Garwood and Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, joined the meeting

Mrs. Shipp passed out some documents that were used in McCone County to pass an ordinance that restricts bison/buffalo in their grazing district for everyone to review.

Chairman Pippin said that they will need to review these documents and they cannot take any official action until it is put on their agenda. Discussion followed.

Mr. Murnion said that the Commissioners have the choice to either put it on the ballot for a vote or just pass it as an ordinance. It will have to be scheduled on the Commissioners' Agenda and publish something in the paper informing the public. The Commissioners will have to consider either adopting it or putting it on the ballot and have a public hearing.

Chairman Pippin said he would personally like the Commissioners to just vote and pass it. He said it will probably have to go through a public hearing. Chairman Pippin said he helped gather a significant amount of signatures on a petition that supports this issue and he believes the majority of the public will favor this.

Mrs. Hinz said that she believed a survey was taken at the fair in Glasgow a couple years ago supporting this issue too.

Mr. Pattison said they have already had a couple of opportunities for the public to respond and there was no one that showed up in opposition.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that personally he would just like to pass it through an ordinance because there has been so many things put on the ballot lately and it does cost more money to the County. He has not had any amount of opposition to this.

Mr. Murnion said that he thought the Commissioners need to make a motion to have a public hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to hold a public hearing that will be held by the Valley County Commissioners to obtain public comments regarding their intent to adopt proposed Ordinance No. 5-2014, an ordinance for the protection of soil and water from wild, free roaming or domestic

Bison/Buffalo grazing in the Valley County Conservation District. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

This Notice will be run for two weeks in the paper and then a decision can be scheduled for the agenda the second week of July. A copy of the ordinance will be available at the Commissioner's Office, from the Conservation District and possibly available on each entities website.

After some discussion it was agreed that a public hearing would be scheduled and advertised, and after the hearing the Commissioners will agenda to make a decision.

Chairman Pippin asked the Conservation District to get him a map showing their district boundaries.

Mrs. Heinz said that there is 487 miles of shoreline on the Fort Peck Lake that is in Valley County.

The group left the office.

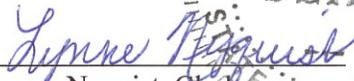
A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Contract between Valley County and Valley View Home for 130 hours of Eldercare and Homemaker services at \$20 per hour, and Meals on Wheels at \$6.00 per meal as needed for the term of July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

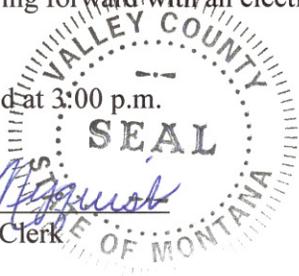
Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, returned to the office and said that after reading the documents submitted by the Valley County Conservation District, and reviewing the MCA Codes, it looks like the Commissioners may want to reconsider and put the request to pass the ordinance on a ballot as the documents direct. He said if the Commissioners want to proceed with an ordinance out of this office, the documents will have to be different using other MCA Codes.

The Commissioners agreed to put this decision on next week's agenda and meet again with the Conservation District moving forward with an election.

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

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**JUNE 26, 2014**

Chairman Pippin was in the office intermittently throughout the day.

**JUNE 27, 2014**

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

**JUNE 30, 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.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Stone Tihista changing her position to Mosquito Supervisor, increasing her pay to \$20.50 per hour for that service, effective July 1, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously. This Notice was submitted and signed by the Glasgow Mosquito District Board.

Bob Steele, Maintenance Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about a problem with the District Court Office's roof that is leaking rain.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to pay Two Rivers Economic Growth, Inc. \$600 for the 2014-15 membership dues out of PILT, restricted cash grant match money. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to pay Nordisk Systems Inc. \$18,980.80, out of PILT, computer restricted cash, for networking equipment for the Law Enforcement's Server. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and carried unanimously to execute the following Pledged Securities:

**FIRST COMMUNITY BANK, GLASGOW**

**June 30, 2014**

Federal Home Loan Bank	Receipt #3133X0PF0	5.375%	8/15/2018	\$400,000.00
Federal Farm Credit Bank	Receipt #3133ECBY9	0.93%	4/26/2018	\$100,000.00
Federal Farm Credit Bank	Receipt #3133ECBY9	0.93%	4/26/2018	\$100,000.00
Federal Home Loan Bank	Receipt #3133716Z4	1.625%	9/28/2015	<u>\$250,000.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL:</b>			<b>\$850,000.00</b>

**VALLEY COUNTY ACCOUNTS**

**June 30, 2014**

Balance at First Community Bank (checking)	1,467,595.78
Balance at Wells Fargo (checking)	\$11,004.72
Balance at First Community Bank (savings)	\$3,100,945.94
Balance at Valley Bank (CDBG)	\$41,775.48
STIP - County	\$1,666,254.84
Protest Fund	\$148,608.23
Refuse Financial Trust-Polson, MT	\$300,070.23
Bonds with Buchanan Capital LLC	\$2,350,000.00
CD at Valley Bank	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
	<b>\$9,386,255.22</b>

**SCHOOL ACCOUNTS**

**June 30, 2014**

School District #1 - First Community M.M.	\$7,559,179.03
School District #1 - STIP	\$8,853,717.42
School District #1 - CD at Valley Bank	\$700,000.00
School District #2 Bal - First Community M.M.	\$2,279,194.12
School District #9 Bal - First Community M.M.	\$683,637.00
School District #13 Bal - STIP	\$411,000.00
School District #23 Bal - STIP	\$175,280.66
School District #9 - CD at Valley Bank	\$27,349.57
School District #7 - CD at First Community Bank-Hinsdale	<u>\$340,200.00</u>
	<b>\$21,029,557.80</b>

**GRAND TOTAL OF ACCOUNTS**

**\$30,415,813.02**

Claims for the month of June were approved as follows;

Vendor	Claim #	Amount
3924 911 SUPPLY	61908	154.98
2820 ADAPCO, INC	62239	4,440.00
4435 AG PARTNERS LLC	62022	125.00
	62240	2,380.00
1798 AGLAND CO-OP	62038	224.51
	62219	27.33
296 ALBERTSONS/PURCHASE ADVANTAGE CARD	61877	303.08
2853 ALL SEASON HOME CENTER	61878	986.29
	62025	501.90
	62237	160.99
	62241	359.94
3677 AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION	62026	474.00
184 AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	61879	50.20
	62206	197.01
558 ARCH'S TIRE & SERVICE	61880	576.00
	62207	80.00
3772 AVAILITY LLC	61911	158.00
3726 AVIS NEEDHAM	61794	8.00
2957 AXMEN	61871	427.05
2554 BALCO UNIFORM CO INC	61881	276.00
1766 BEN'S RADIATOR REPAIR	61831	75.00
4285 BERNARDINE SULLIVAN	61795	8.00
3069 BETH FLYNN	61796	120.00
3927 BETTY COTE	61797	124.00
75 BIG VALLEY WATER	61882	80.00
	62208	27.00
2826 BRENDA ANDERSON	62016	46.00
3928 BRENDA PEACHER	61798	120.00

Vendor	Claim #	Amount
1191 BRESNAN COMMUNICATIONS	62017	42.45
4427 BS CENTRAL INC	61883	373.00
	62027	120.40
1676 CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	61832	159.80
756 CAMERON SHIPP	62028	180.00
1662 CAROL GAULT	61799	155.20
182 CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	61884	2,524.42
	62029	265.28
3360 CENTURY LINK	61872	1,306.04
4761 CENTURY LINK	62030	205.16
677 CITY OF GLASGOW	62009	61,256.23
	62063	4,064.61
4723 CITYSERVICEVALCON	61943	440.92
	62031	34,247.30
1095 COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO	61885	7.00
548 COLLEEN M PANKRATZ	61997	11.76
	62032	78.87
1204 CONNIE BORESON	61886	133.18
4554 CONSOLIDATED TELECOM, INC	61887	1,500.00
3618 CROP PRODUCTION SERVICES INC	61833	12,597.40
225 D & G SPORTS & WESTERN	61888	1,416.72
	62033	100.00
39 DALE PLUMBING & HEATING INC	61889	1,262.90
	62034	1,613.48
	62209	191.20
2961 DANIEL JENSEN	61890	1,160.00
2740 DARLA SHIPMAN	62035	72.00
4748 DARLENE FOSSUM	61800	142.24
3243 DARRYL SCHLABS	62211	62.16
212 DATA IMAGING SYSTEMS	62087	37.98
2782 DAVID KNIERIM	61920	76.50
884 DAVID L REINHARDT	62010	24.00
4197 DAVID PANKRATZ	61891	260.00
3930 DEANNA FAST	61801	153.44
2837 DEB BAILEY	61802	220.48
637 DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	61892	34.50
4573 DIAGNOSTIC PEST SOLUTIONS	61988	148.00
3931 DIANE PETERSON	61803	186.00
463 DIEBOLD INC	61893	410.00
723 DONNA KLOKER	61804	150.40
4759 DUSTBUSTERS INC	62012	6,166.00
3075 DXP ENTERPRISES	61989	771.25
260 EASTERN MONTANA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER	62242	3,832.00
1425 ELAINE UNRAU	61805	292.32
801 ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	61894	4,125.00
176 ELLA TWETEN	61870	113.48
	62039	61.32
13 ESRI	61834	400.00
812 EZZIE'S WHOLESALE INC	61835	49,495.17
	62037	52,435.50
	62210	1,800.50
	62243	1,293.63
	62249	1,971.96
2757 FARM EQUIPMENT SALES	61896	1,380.35
	62040	13.42
773 FARMERS ELEVATOR-HARVEST STATES	62018	64.50
226 FEWER PUMPING SERVICE	61990	125.00
289 FIFTH AVE PHARMACY & GIFT	61897	57.10
130 FIRST COMMUNITY BANK	61836	83.52
1369 FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	62041	1,250.00
54 FOOD SERVICES OF AMERICA	61837	4,404.61
	62007	3,322.21
2637 FORT PECK MARINA INC	62042	28.06
825 FORT PECK TRIBES	62015	1,068.75
57 FOSSUM READY MIX INC	61898	80.00
59 FRANCES MAHON DEACONESS HOSPITAL	61899	1,533.80
	62212	1,410.91
206 FRANCES MAHON DEACONESS HOSPITAL	61900	2,182.92
311 GAFFANEYS TOTAL OFFICE SOURCE INC	61901	2,685.20
	62043	171.61
	62244	20.00
247 GALLS LLC	61902	214.04
66 GLASGOW AUTO SAFETY CENTER	61903	5,132.00
	62044	47.00
71 GLASGOW COURIER INC	61904	2,419.50
	62045	240.25
	62213	29.00
1290 GLASGOW ELKS NO 1922	61895	600.00
762 GLAXOSMITHKLINE PHARMACEUTICALS	61838	372.40
	61905	319.60
653 GLENN GUENTHER	62214	42.16

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3534 GLENN MEIER SHERIFF	61874	1,000.00
143 GLENN RORVIG	61921	90.00
67 GLENN'S AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR	61906	150.00
4299 GLOBALSTAR USA	61839	103.75
	62046	103.75
4264 GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	61907	3,642.62
	62047	4,478.86
4015 HALVAR OLSTEAD	62215	283.05
4699 HELENA CHEMICAL CO	61909	645.00
392 HI LINE FORD INC	61910	2,055.75
	62048	2,417.64
1873 HI LINE YOUTH HOCKEY	61913	600.00
1604 HI MILE TIRE COMPANY	61840	8,826.43
3301 HOME CARE SERVICES	61912	365.38
	62049	177.75
3576 J & M DISTRIBUTING	61914	253.19
	62050	85.66
3213 JAMES CARNEY CONSTRUCTION	61915	41,603.65
1430 JANET BAILEY	61806	220.48
1851 JEAN CARLSON	61807	195.20
693 JEANETTE RISA	61916	52.00
3934 JEANINE MARKLE	61808	124.00
574 JIMISON JANITORIAL & CARPET CLEANING LLC	61917	469.70
4425 JIMMY'S SPRINKLERS	62051	102.50
4776 JOHN ROGNESS	62216	55.50
108 JOHN W MOGAN	61918	126.00
1632 JON KLIEWER	62217	166.50
4430 JUDY JONES	61809	150.40
1915 JUDY MILLER	61810	8.00
2836 JULIE REDDIG	61811	77.44
3936 KATHLEEN MAKICH	61812	186.00
2954 KIM LACEY	61813	90.00
4207 KIRK SIBLEY	61919	74.14
368 KLTZ/KLAN INC	61922	90.00
	62052	1,320.00
	62220	5.00
3152 KRESS WELDING & FABRICATION INC	61923	644.94
3852 KY IDLER	62218	106.56
987 L & D SIGNS	61841	80.00
	62053	60.00
3029 LANE & ASSOCIATES	61924	225.00
99 LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	61926	395.21
4623 LEE RIDDICK PLUMBING & HEATING	61925	176.00
3070 LINDA ARNOLD	61814	121.60
4749 LINDA NOVAK	61815	106.40
1805 LOU'S TRAVELLING ZOO	62055	1,800.00
3095 LUCAS STROMMEN	61842	115.00
3953 MAHUGH FIRE & SAFETY	61991	1,400.00
4757 MANDY RASMUSSAN	61927	40.00
3133 MAPPING & PLANNING SPECIALISTS, INC	61992	1,615.00
1422 MARGERY J WILSON	61816	104.00
2975 MARJORIE JACOBSON	61928	30.00
101 MARKLE'S INC	61929	3,622.66
	62056	1,054.33
	62221	56.94
3072 MARTHA ADKINS	61817	168.00
2475 MATTFELDT ELECTRIC	61930	661.06
	62057	602.14
4432 MELANIE SORENSEN	62008	36.40
4756 MICHAEL BAIN	61931	4,040.00
	62024	1,280.00
104 MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL CORP	61932	158.68
4417 MIDWEST LABORATORIES INC	61933	75.00
105 MILK RIVER INC	62222	91.85
4617 MILK RIVER MOTORSPORTS	61843	5,900.00
	62014	756.00
4777 MILLER BROTHERS LAND CO	62238	2,163.20
4377 MODERN MACHINERY	61934	69.02
3042 MOGAN'S SPRINKLERS	61935	100.00
	62059	125.00
252 MONTANA AERONAUTICS DIVISION	61937	551.71
540 MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES/MACO	61844	265.05
	62060	285.00
969 MONTANA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION	61845	205.00
113 MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	61936	2,044.05
893 MONTANA DEPT OF LABOR & INDUST.	62006	31.00
	62036	62.00
484 MONTANA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	62061	148.92
874 MONTANA FOOD BANK NETWORK INC	61939	396.88
4203 MONTANA LAW REVIEW	62223	30.00
3160 MONTANA STATE FIRE CHIEFS ASSOC	61846	965.00
1288 MONTANA STOCKGROWERS ASSOCIATION	61940	6,101.09

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1128 MONTANA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	62000	600.00
814 MONTANA WOOLGROWERS ASSOCIATION	61941	375.00
4743 MSU COMMUNICATIONS & TECHNOLOGY	61942	15.00
2958 MSU FIRE SERVICES TRAINING SCHOOL	61993	185.00
2750 NAEIR	62058	15.00
	62224	30.20
200 NANCY HAMILTON	61818	116.00
3232 NATE MILLER	62020	18.00
4653 NATIONAL JUDGES ASSOCIATION	62019	90.00
183 NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC	61847	4,993.75
4647 NETWORK CREATIVE GROUP LL	61944	558.00
236 NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	61994	204.74
165 NEWTON MOTORS INC	61945	5.90
4499 NORDISK SYSTEMS, INC	62062	18,980.80
3429 NORMA LEE	61819	124.00
706 NORTH VALLEY CO WATER & SEWER DISTRICT	61948	59.90
2402 NORTHEAST AREA WEED COUNCIL	61946	250.00
121 NORTHERN MONTANA TEXTILES SERVICES	61848	350.21
	61947	637.08
	62225	26.32
115 NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	61849	1,199.19
	61949	7,142.65
120 NORVAL ELECTRIC CO-OP INC	61850	1,723.69
3287 OLSON LAND SURVEYING	61950	925.00
126 PACIFIC STEEL & RECYCLING	61875	812.69
	62064	100.90
4248 PARK GROVE BAR & CAFE	61851	639.00
	62065	657.00
3087 PAT NEULEIB	61852	1,161.00
	62066	1,359.00
4750 PATRICIA BESTON	61821	33.60
3939 PATRICIA HALLET	61820	100.80
129 PETTY CASH	62013	358.39
4575 POCKET PROS	61951	75.00
	62226	75.00
2768 PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS	61952	363.00
	62067	37.44
	62227	127.00
135 PRO CO-OP	61853	129.44
	61995	213.87
	62068	53.61
3238 PROFORCE LAW ENFORCEMENT	61953	1,950.95
2636 PUBLIC SAFTETY CENTER INC	61996	79.56
4760 RANDY SANTIFER	62021	275.00
4409 RAPID DETECT INC	61954	388.07
2620 RDO EQUIPMENT TRUST #80-5800	61876	267.57
3803 REDS FIXIT SHOP LLC	61955	3,285.00
2789 RENE CLAMPITT	61854	46.00
3389 RESPOND SYSTEMS	62001	217.12
76 REYNOLDS	61956	929.41
	62069	453.24
4581 RIVERSIDE STORAGE & BRICKYARD	61855	180.00
1207 ROBERTA BOUCHER	61822	155.20
1760 ROCKMOUNT RESEARCH & ALLOYS INC	61957	628.17
3941 ROSALIE PALAZZO	61823	124.00
3056 ROUBIE YOUNKIN	61856	18.38
	61958	218.00
4501 RUTH ERICKSON	61959	70.00
514 SACO DEHY INC	61960	81.92
3942 SANDRA OSS	61824	116.00
4490 SANDY SWENSON	61830	90.00
147 SCOTT'S TRACK 'N' WHEEL	61961	178.94
1571 SHARON LABONTY	61962	2,800.00
4751 SHARON SKILLMAN	61825	76.00
4752 SHELBY JO TALKSDIFFERENT	61826	72.00
3804 SHELLEY MILLS	61857	37.61
	61963	12.59
	62228	8.98
4559 SHOPKO PHARMACY	61964	253.95
4746 STANDING ROCK SANITATION INC	62070	33,750.00
3589 STERICYCLE, INC	62229	12.00
3693 STOUGHIE'S BAR AND GRILL	61858	888.00
	62071	648.00
163 T & R TRUCKING INC	61859	22,001.15
	62011	15,201.68
	62072	459.00
6 TAYLOR STORAGE	61966	600.00
2769 TD&H ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS	61965	2,863.92
4753 TESSA BESTON	61827	105.60
291 THE CHEMNET CONSORTIUM	61998	105.00
3902 THE OUTPOST	61860	1,176.00
	62073	1,320.00

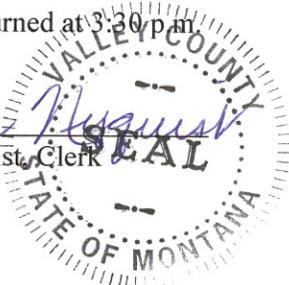
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4754 THELMA BLOUNT	61828	72.00
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616 THOENY CONSTRUCTION	61968	490.00
2996 THOMPSON & SONS	62074	1,698.42
2364 THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR CORP	61862	1,448.90
41 TIRE-RAMA SERVICE CENTER	61969	1,812.49
	62075	363.00
1074 TOWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY	61970	359.66
680 TOWN OF OPHEIM	61861	60.00
	62230	2,749.08
171 TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO	61971	8,544.45
	62076	393.00
172 TRI STATE TRUCK-EQUIP INC	61972	407.29
174 TRIPLE A GLASS INC	61973	1,091.10
	62077	20.00
4288 TRUENORTH STEEL	61974	8,266.63
787 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE/PITNEY BOWES	62004	1,366.13
	62079	279.23
4374 ULTRAMAX	61975	327.00
627 UNCLE MILT'S BODY SHOP	62089	759.65
179 UNITED INSURANCE & REALTY INC	62003	65.00
4755 US FARM INNOVATIONS	61863	4,257.40
1827 VALLEY CO 4-H COUNCIL	61976	121.50
	62231	65.00
1452 VALLEY CO COUNCIL ON AGING	61977	12.00
614 VALLEY CO TRANSIT	61979	527.50
	62232	148.50
765 VALLEY CO WEED DISTRICT	62233	44.63
4758 VALLEY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	61978	108.14
810 VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO	62002	1,585.00
	62234	2,536.00
4245 VERIZON WIRELESS	61864	55.51
	62078	95.31
3645 VFW FT PECK POST 3107	61980	100.00
3333 VICKY WETZ	61865	7.56
3686 VIKING CONSTRUCTION	62080	1,500.00
1087 VISA	61999	602.75
	62088	53.46
3023 VISA	61981	47.74
3559 VISA	61866	3,925.26
	62081	1,109.66
	62248	27.55
4061 VISA	61867	937.56
	62082	3,082.30
	62245	691.64
4050 VISA 7495	61868	5,122.27
	62083	1,477.57
	62246	99.23
4547 VISA 7644	61873	424.89
803 WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIP CO	61982	53.59
187 WEST PAYMENT CENTER	62235	311.50
876 WEST PAYMENT CENTER	62005	469.55
188 WESTERN DRUG INC	61983	60.87
	62247	10.78
32 WEX BANK	61869	333.54
	62084	105.93
190 WILLS OFFICE WORLD/RADIO SHACK	61984	378.85
	62085	55.71
	62236	2.83
1444 WINDSOCK SKY PARK PROPERTIES	62023	3,807.00
1599 WOLFTRAX BROADCASTING LLC	61985	140.00
192 ZEE MEDICAL	61986	496.56
193 ZERBE BROS INC	61987	997.88
4762 ZINVEST LLC	62086	32.45
	Total:	605,552.25

Payroll for the month of June was approved in the amount of \$419,302.34.

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

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

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