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## COMMISSIONER'S MINUTES FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2013

**MAY 1, 2013**

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.

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, stopped in and said the culvert that collapsed on the Larb Creek Road was replaced yesterday. He said the damaged culvert was a nine foot culvert and he replaced it with an eleven foot culvert because that is what he had on hand and he wanted to get the road repaired and opened right away.

Commissioner Peterson left the office to meet with a freelance reporter from the CBS Television Network to discuss the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline's proposed project.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Commissioner Peterson visited with Tracy Hentges regarding the Oswego Creek Road. Mrs. Hentges said there was a culvert on the road that needs gravel so they can drive their farm equipment over it. She said there is a maintainer there right now working on the road but it needs gravel.

Commissioner Peterson phoned Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, and informed him of the request from Mrs. Hentges.

Chairman Pippin returned to the office.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

David L. Pippin, Chairman

**MAY 2, 2013**

Chairman Pippin participated in handing out the trees today for the Free Tree Day project.

**MAY 6, 2013**

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.

Roubie Younkin, Extension Agent, and Shelley Mills, Extension Agent, joined the meeting.

Mrs. Younkin said that they wanted to inform the Commissioners that there has been some controversy between her office and the 4H Council regarding the scheduling of the 4H livestock show on Sunday morning during the Northeast Montana Fair. The controversy is whether to show Sunday morning. There were a couple of families that said their children will not be showing if it is on Sunday morning because they will be going to church Sunday morning. She said that there has been a split both ways with the 4H council members and the 4H groups, whether to show Sunday morning or not.

Mrs. Younkin said that the President of the 4H Council directed Mrs. Younkin to send out a survey and Mrs. Younkin refused

to follow that directive because it was not from the 4H Council, but personally from the individual. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin asked after all the controversy, when is the livestock showing scheduled and Mrs. Younkin said it is scheduled for Sunday afternoon.

Ms. Mills said that there have been several calls made to various entities regarding this controversy, to include the County Attorney.

Chairman Pippin asked if there was specific policy that designates how the County Extension handles this and Mrs. Younkin said that she does have that in her County Extension policy and that is what she is following.

Ms. Mills said that their role is to make sure the 4H Council follows their regulations and the law. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Peterson questioned whether this is really a civil rights issue and said that he was surprised that this controversy would fall under civil rights.

Mrs. Younkin said as soon as someone says they will not be able to show their livestock because they will be attending Church, then that becomes a civil rights issue and they cannot discriminate against that individual because of their religion. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said he understands that the County Extension Agents need to follow their policy and not take direction from an individual but to follow documented direction from the 4H Council.

Mrs. Younkin said that in the past the County Extension Agents' duties were split equally, with both agents being designated as 50% of their time working for 4H. Now, that has changed and Mrs. Younkin is 75% 4H and Ms. Mills is only 25% 4H.

Chairman Pippin said that he wanted the 4H to realize that there is a different crew handling the maintenance at the fairgrounds this year, so it will be handled differently than what the 4H group has been use to in the past.

Mrs. Younkin said that Gene Hartsock said he would come and help her with the Fair if she needed help with some maintenance work. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Younkin voiced her concern that the pig barns at the fairgrounds was not going to be big enough to handle all the entries this year.

Mrs. Younkin said that she wanted the Commissioners to know that there is a 4H Executive Council meeting on Tuesday and Ms. Mills, Leanne Fontaine, her County Extension Office Administrator, and herself were asked to attend. She said if the meeting becomes hostile, as the last meeting did, her group will leave the meeting.

Ms. Mills said the tone of the last meeting was very hostile towards she and Mrs. Younkin. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Younkin and Ms. Mills left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting for a short while and left again.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to sign a request concurrence in "substantial completion" reimbursement to 97.5% of the amended grant amount for the Wokal Field / Glasgow International Airport Improvement Project 3-30-0033-015-0211. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign Change Order No. 1 for the Canal Road Bridge Replacement to increase the order by \$40,500.00 for additional riprap. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it carried.

Pat Gunderson, Brian Hockett, Barney Whiteman and Mark Albers, BLM, joined the meeting to visit with the Commissioners about the public meeting held in Glasgow tonight regarding the Draft Hi-Line Resource Management Plan (RFP) and Environmental Impact Statement.

Chairman Pippin asked what the chances were to get the comment period extended to 90 days and Mr. Albers said he thought there would be a 50% chance that could happen. He said the BLM is receiving that request already and he said the final decision will be made in Washington. He said the Commissioners need to send a letter asking for an extension if that is what they want.

Mr. Hockett went through the presentation reviewing the Draft of the Management Plan that they will be showing tonight at their public meeting.

Chairman Pippin questioned the oil rights activity projection that the BLM showed for Valley County as having a "very low impact" and their management of those rights. He said that there is more oil activity in northern Valley County than what the maps indicate.

Mr. Whiteman said that the documentation they were using was from 2006 and it may have changed some since then, but he believed the projection for natural gas was high and the oil probably low in their documentation so it probably averages out.

If the Commissioners do not agree, they should submit a comment referencing that. He said that they hope the oil companies will also weigh in and submit some comments so they can update this information. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin asked if they considered Valley County to be a cooperating or coordinating agency and Mr. Hockett said they consider the County a cooperating agency which gives them more input and involvement in the BLM activities and decisions.

Mr. Hockett pointed out that the RFP shows a big change in the amount of acres that will be designated with no surface occupancy. It shows a change from the current total of 282,000 acres to 1,711,000 acres. This means there cannot be anything done that changes the surface of the acre such as wind generators or gravel pits. Underground pipelines could be acceptable as long as it does not disturb the surface. Discussion followed.

The group discussed the Greater Sage-Grouse habitat protection and the impact it will have on Valley County.

Chairman Pippin said that there would not be any Sage-Grouse in the area if it were not for the grass management done by the ranchers in the past hundred years.

Mr. Hockett said that they do not intend on changing anything that will impact livestock grazing numbers. Even in the habitat protected areas, livestock is permitted. He said there is about 930,000 acres of Greater Sage-Grouse habitat protection located in South Valley County and Phillips County that is close to being changed to priority habitat with no surface development.

Chairman Pippin voiced his frustration that Valley County has mineral rights in a lot of this area and the County could benefit from the oil exploration and they need to harvest gravel. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Peterson asked if they are finding people who disagree with these plans and Mr. Albers said there is a certain group of people who want tighter management and more protection on more acres and other groups that want it relaxed.

Discussion followed on the agenda for the public meeting being held this evening and the group left the office.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

David L. Pippin, Chairman

### **MAY 7, 2013**

Chairman Pippin attended the Governor's Conference on Aging that is being held at the Cottonwood today and tomorrow.

Commissioner Peterson left the office for the morning to attend some of the meetings at the Governor's Conference on Aging.

### **MAY 8, 2013**

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

Chairman Pippin was in the office for a while in the morning, then he left and attended the Governors' Conference on Aging.

Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend the Department Heads meeting from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, visited with Commissioner Reinhardt about some road issues.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

Glasgow Mayor Dan Carney joined the meeting.

René Clappitt, Planner/Dispatch Supervisor, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Peterson held a public hearing at 10:30 a.m., in the office of the Valley County Commissioners. He said the purpose of this hearing is to obtain public comments regarding a Resolution of Intention to Dissolve the Joint City-County Planning Board in order to allow the City of Glasgow to create a City Planning Board, per MCA § 76-1-105.

Commissioner Peterson said that Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, has said that Valley County has to dissolve the Joint City-County Planning Board before the County Commissioners can give the City permission to form a City Planning Board.

He asked for any public comment and there was none given.

Commissioner Peterson asked Mayor Carney why the City wants to form their own Planning Board.

Mayor Carney said that the City feels that their planning board issues are different than what the County deals with and they would like to have their own.

The public hearing was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Mrs. Clampitt and Mayor Carney left the office.

Commissioner Peterson received a call from Jerry Ketchum, St. Marie, asking if the County had agreed to sell some Units and property owned by the St. Marie Development Corporation of Montana. Valley County holds a large amount of stocks in this Corporation and Mr. Ketchum said that he was told the County had agreed to this sale.

Commissioner Peterson told Mr. Ketchum that the County was not asked and had not input into this action.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, visited with the Commissioners about splitting the salary and employee costs evenly with District Court for Sally Irwin, who works for both departments.

The group discussed some St. Marie issues.

Mrs. Reinhardt left the office.

Chairman Pippin returned to the office.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, informed the Board that a representative from the ALCU was in and he told her that Valley County no longer does public tours of the Detention Center and he gave her the Sheriff's Jail Standards and said we follow those requirements. Sheriff Meier toured the old jail area with her and he thought things went well. The only concern she had was that there was no outside activity done with the inmates and Sheriff Meier explained that the facility was designed with enough windows to meet those requirements.

The Commissioners signed the Gravel Crushing Agreement with James Carney Construction and the County to crush gravel at the Copenhagen Site per his bid opened and accepted on August 7, 2012.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign the Task Order #14 Agreement to Furnish Engineering Services for the Wokal Field/Glasgow International Airport. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Pippin and carried unanimously to approve the minutes for the month of April, 2013.

Eleanor Lindsay, St. Marie, visited with Chairman Pippin about some St. Marie issues.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

David L. Pippin, Chairman

### **MAY 13, 2013**

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.

Glasgow Mayor Dan Carney informed the Commissioners that the City's Workman's Comp. insurance has notified them that they will no longer provide insurance for the City-County Library employees because they are supervised by an autonomous Board organization. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin and Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend the Compensation Board meeting at 10:00.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder, visited with Commissioner Reinhardt about some Long Run Fire claims and their budget. She said that there is no funds left in their budget and she has about \$13,000 worth of claims that need to be paid.

Commissioner Reinhardt said he would discuss this with the other Commissioners and he left the office to attend the Compensation Board meeting.

Commissioner Reinhardt and Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, and Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Mrs. Reinhardt said that she and the Sheriff held a Sheriff's sale on an abandoned motor home that was delinquent on the taxes. There was no offers made on the trailer which is in very poor condition and not really salable. The owners of the property, that the trailer sits on, have told the County to either move the trailer or start paying them \$300 per month rent. Mrs. Reinhardt said the law states that the County has to put a bid in for the delinquent taxes, but the law says that any property seized for the purpose of liquidating a tax delinquency by a tax lien sale, that remains unsold after the sale, may be left at the place of the sale at the risk of the owner. She said that she believes that the property owners can be told that the property did not sell so they can do whatever they want with the property, the County is not liable. Mrs. Reinhardt said that maybe the County wants to ask the Road Department to demolish the trailer and clean up the property. Discussion followed.

Mr. Murnion said that his recommendation is to get it off the tax role as soon as possible and that takes away all the County's responsibility.

Mrs. Reinhardt said she will submit the Application to the Commissioners to cancel the taxes for this personal property and inform the property owner of their action and the group left the office.

Ryan Schlichting, RDO joined the meeting to discuss the possible trade of Valley County's motor graders.

Mr. Schlichting said the deadline is quickly arriving to order motor graders that are the same model as the Road Department is currently using because John Deere is upgrading to a new design. Discussion followed.

The Commissioners agreed to advertise for bids to replace four motor graders so they can get the actual costs to replace them.

Patrick Kelly dropped off a letter to the Commissioners.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

David L. Pippin, Chairman

### **MAY 14, 2013**

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. Bill Lloyd, Great West Engineering, Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, joined the meeting.

Mr. Lloyd submitted his Agreement for Professional Services to provide professional engineering and related services for various projects in Valley County. Great West was chosen from the bids that were submitted April 16, 2013. He said he wanted to make sure the Commissioners are aware that the on call services does not mean that Valley County has to use only their firm for services. This just allows Valley County to use Great West for any engineering projects and not have to bid them out for the next five years, unless Valley County wants to go to bids for the engineering services. He said any project that comes up, Great West would submit the scope of work and cost for that project to the County. If it is acceptable then the County can move forward with their project right away. He said this agreement can be extended on an annual basis once the original five year term is completed. He said Hill County has been using their service since 2001. Hill County also uses a surveying company in Havre upon occasion to spread around their business. Anytime the County needs any direction they can just call Great West, they will take a look at what needs to be done and a Task Order will be drawn.

Chairman Pippin said that there is a local engineering firm that Valley County would like to use for some smaller projects.

Mr. Lloyd verified that this agreement does not mean that Valley County has to use Great West exclusively. He said that

anytime there is an emergency like what happened in 2010, the County will be able to move forward quickly and not have to wait and go through the bidding process if they don't want to.

Commissioner Peterson said that if it is an emergency as it was in 2010, the law allows the County not to have to bid services in an emergency situation. Discussion followed.

Mr. Lloyd said that he also has the agreement, Task Order No. 1, for the Whatley Road Bridge Replacement Project.

The Commissioners said they wanted to have Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, review the Agreements before the Commissioners sign them.

Mr. Seiler asked if the Commissioners would consider signing the Whatley Road Bridge Task Order so they could begin working on the Whatley Bridge Replacement design and get bids sent out.

The Commissioners agreed that they want the County Attorney to review the documents before any action is taken with them.

Mr. Lloyd said that even if they get started after a week, they have most the work done and his firm is ready to move forward on this project. They still feel they have time to get the bids out this summer, and as long as the construction companies are willing and available, they should be able to get the bridge constructed yet this year.

Mr. Lloyd said that they are doing the gravel permitting process for several of their clients. Discussion followed.

Mr. Waarvik asked the Commissioners if they were interested in having Great West work on getting some bridges fixed in Valley County through the Montana Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP).

Mr. Lloyd said that their firm will apply for a planning grant application with TSEP that assists cities and counties to develop the preliminary engineering reports to evaluate Valley County's bridges and document their condition and identifying them by need. The County then picks two or three bridges that they want fixed and then another grant application is submitted to TSEP for the money to fix the bridges. This is a competitive grant program and the County has to match these funds at 50%. He said that their firm has been successful with all their applications and all of them have been funded so far. The planning grants are funded on a first come first serve basis so it is important to get those in right away. The Department of Commerce can fund about 60 planning grants. He said if the County has any desire to participate they need to get the planning grant application. Discussion followed.

Mr. Lloyd said that the planning grant provides \$30,000 and the county would have to pay a match of \$15,000. That \$15,000 can also be used as part of the 50% matching funds for the construction grant if it is awarded. He said the Construction grant applications are due in May of 2014. The Legislature decides what projects will be awarded in 2015, and the funds will be awarded in July of 2015. Discussion followed on some possible bridge projects in Valley County.

Mr. Lloyd said if the County wants to put in an application for more than one bridge than the County has to submit an engineer study putting together a comprehensive bridge inventory, documenting the condition of all the bridges in the county and verifying and rating the need, justifying which bridges need repair the most. Great West will do an inspection on any bridge that is not inspected by the Department of Transportation for TSEP documentation. Discussion followed.

Mr. Waarvik asked if it is best to apply for one or several bridges at a time.

Mr. Lloyd said that he believes it is best to do a minimum of two bridges at a time. The maximum grant you can apply for is \$500,000. He said if it costs more than that the County may want to consider doing the bridges in two stages because the County has to match all the grant money dollar for dollar. He said if there is any interest, the County should apply for the planning grant as soon as possible. Discussion followed.

The Commissioners said they would put the TSEP project on their next agenda and make a decision if they want to participate in the program or not, and they would let Mr. Lloyd know.

The group left the office.

Stan Ozark, KLTZ/Mix 93, joined the meeting.

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

There was no public comment submitted.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Janice Griebel as a temporary, part-time Aide for the Museum beginning May 14, 2013, at \$8.37 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 Sydney Hayward as a temporary, part-time Aide for the Museum beginning May 14, 2013, at \$7.80 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 Wayne E. Shipp as a permanent, full-time Coroner for the Sheriff's Office beginning May 10, 2013, increasing his salary by \$100.00 per month. 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 Ronnie Kulczyk as a permanent full-time grounds person for the Fair Commission beginning May 1, 2013, at \$300.00 per month. 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 ElRay West as a permanent, part-time Driver for the Transit beginning May 3, 2013, at \$11.58 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 Todd Young, who has completed his one year probationary period as a permanent, full-time Bridge Operator for the Road Department, effective April 30, 2013, increasing his pay to \$17.73 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously authorizing the Chairman to sign an Application for Cancellation of Taxes No. 0213 for a total of \$27.95 for Robert Bilger's mobile home taxes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously authorizing the Chairman to sign an Application for Cancellation of Taxes No. 0214 for a total of ~~(\$1,155.82)~~ for the Printshop, changing their taxes to Real Property which will allow them to pay their taxes in two payments. A rewrite will be done for these taxes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously authorizing the Chairman to sign an Application for Cancellation of Taxes No. 0215 to cancel a total of ~~(\$241.61)~~ for Doris Hudson, who abandoned a mobile home which was not sold at the Sheriff's sale.

The next item on the agenda was the Resolution No. 11-2013 to Dissolve the Joint City-County Planning Board.

Chairman Pippin said that the City of Glasgow wants to form their own City Planning Board so the County has to dissolve the Joint City-County Planning Board.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-2013  
RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE  
THE JOINT CITY-COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, the Joint City-County Planning Board was created by the Board of the County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, on January 27, 1959;

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the City of Glasgow to form the Glasgow City Planning Board pursuant to MCA § 76-1-105, as requested by written document dated April 18, 2013, from the Glasgow City-Clerk-Treasurer.

**WHEREAS**, on April 29, 2013, the Valley County Commissioners passed Resolution No. 10-2013, Resolution of Intention to Dissolve the Joint City-County Planning Board;

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing to hear any protests was held on May 8, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. in the Office of the Valley County Commissioners, Valley County, Montana, and published in the Glasgow Courier on May 1, and May 8, 2013, with no protests submitted.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

(1) That the Board of the Valley County Commissioners do hereby dissolve the Joint-City County Planning Board.

(2) That it is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners to permit the City of Glasgow to form the Glasgow City Planning Board pursuant to MCA § 76-1-105, as requested in writing.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Valley County Board of County Commissioners this     
  14th   day of   May  , 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

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David L. Pippin, Chairman

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Dave Reinhardt, Member

ATTEST:

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Bruce H. Peterson, Member

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Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

The City of Glasgow's request to form a City Planning Board was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that the Commissioners have to give the City permission to form their own Planning Board so this Resolution will document that.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-2013**  
**RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE CITY OF GLASGOW TO FORM A GLASGOW CITY PLANNING BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, on April 18, 2013, the Glasgow City Clerk-Treasurer submitted a letter to the Valley County Commissioners requesting permission to form a city planning board;

**WHEREAS**, the Montana Code Annotated (MCA) §76-1-105 provides that:

(1) Prior to enacting an ordinance creating a city planning board, the city council shall notify \_\_\_\_\_ in writing the county commissioners of the county in which the city is located of \_\_\_\_\_ their intention to form a city planning board.

(2) The board of county commissioners shall elect to form a city-county planning board \_\_\_\_\_ or to permit the city to form a city planning board and shall notify in writing the city council of its \_\_\_\_\_ election within 30 days from receipt of notice of the city's intention to form a planning board. In \_\_\_\_\_ the event the county commissioners so elect, the planning board to be so formed shall be a city- \_\_\_\_\_ county planning board.

**WHEREAS**, on May 14, 2013 the Valley County Commissioners passed Resolution No. 11-2013, to dissolve the Joint City-County Planning Board;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Valley County Commissioners have given their permission to the City of Glasgow to form the Glasgow City Planning Board.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** this 14th day of May, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

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David L. Pippin, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Bruce H. Peterson, Member

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Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

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David Reinhardt, Member

The next item on the agenda was the Council on Aging's Nutrition Program Contract with Park Grove Bar & Café, and Patricia Neuleib.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to sign the Nutritional Program Contract with the Park Grove Bar & Café to provide qualifying meals for the elderly, 60 years of age or older, from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, at \$9.00 per meal, not to exceed 1,850 meals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to sign the Nutritional Program Contract with Patricia Neulieb, Nashua, MT, to provide qualifying meals for the elderly , 60 years of age and older, from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, at \$9.00 per meal, not to exceed 1,850 meals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

The Council on Aging Contract for Legal Services with James D. Rector was the next item on the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Contract for Legal Services between the Valley County Council on Aging and James D. Rector to provide necessary legal assistance to persons sixty years of age or older, who reside in Valley County, at a rate of \$50 per hour for up to ten hours. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Council on Aging Contract for Homemaker Services with Valley View Home.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to sign the Contract for Homemaker Services between the Valley County Council on Aging and Valley View Home to provide temporary Eldercare and Homemaker services and support for up to 130 hours, at \$16.00 per hour, from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously to sign the Valley County Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2013.

The Motor Grader Bids was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that this Notice advertises for bids so the County can get an idea of what it would cost to upgrade the motor graders.

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

VALLEY COUNTY  
ROAD DEPARTMENT  
501 Court Square  
Glasgow, MT 59230

**CALL FOR BIDS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, will at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 29th day of May, 2013, in their office at the Valley County Courthouse, open sealed bids for the purchase of one or more:

**Diesel Powered, Articulated Frame Motor Graders**

A detailed list of specifications may be obtained by contacting the Valley County Commissioners at 501 Court Square #1, Glasgow, Montana 59230, telephone (406) 263-1477.

**NO BID WILL BE CONSIDERED UNLESS** accompanied by a bid bond, bank draft, money order or cashier's check in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid. The bid shall be presented in a sealed envelope containing a complete copy of the bid and specifications clearly marked "**2013 MOTOR GRADER BID DOCUMENTS**".

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

DATED this 14th day of May, 2013.

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David L. Pippin, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

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ATTEST: Lynne Nyquist, Clerk  
(Published May 15 and 22, 2013)

The next item on the agenda for discussion was the Joint Safety Coordinator.

Commissioner Peterson said that the group of Commissioners have chosen an individual and are waiting for that person to give then an answer before it is announced. Commissioner Peterson said he met with this individual and they discussed the job. Valley County will be the host County providing the office space, the accounting services and a vehicle. He said this person will be acting as a Valley County employee and one of the Valley County Commissioners will be the overall supervisor of this person. The start date for this position will be July 1st.

Commissioner Peterson said that Jim Muskovich, MACo Loss Control Specialist, said he would assist in any training we may need and he had hoped the new Safety Coordinator would go to Helena and meet with MACo to see what they would want covered and get their input. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said he hopes the new Safety Coordinator will come up with one model safety policy that will be used by all

counties and had hoped MACo would come up with a policy like that too for all counties to use.

Commissioner Peterson said that Mr. Muskovich said he was going to develop a safety plan that will be available for all counties to use.

The next item on the agenda was the Valley County Planning Board member appointment of Betty Stone.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to appoint Betty Stone to the Valley County Planning Board to replace Debbie Cornwell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and the motion unanimously carried.

The Asset Purchase Agreement for Gary Martin's Hangar was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, has reviewed the Agreement and has made some changes and has approved of this document.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to sign the Asset Purchase Agreement between Valley County and Gary J. Martin to purchase his hangar located at the Valley County Airport for a sum of \$59,000, to be paid out of Local Option Tax funds. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 581, between Valley County and NorVal Electric Cooperative Inc., for the construction of an underground utility line, two county road crossings will be bored, located on the Oswego Creek Road at the intersection of the Frazer/Richland Road and at the Frazer/Richland Road at Granada Road, located on Sections 23, 24, 25 and 36, Township 28N, Range 44E. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 582, between Valley County and Nemont Telephone Cooperative Inc., for the construction of an underground utility line to bore under Base Road and Thoeny Road, located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter in Sections 22, Township 36N, Range 40E. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 583, between Valley County and Nemont Telephone Cooperative Inc., for the construction of an underground utility line to bore under Phillipi Road, located in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter in Sections 19, Township 29N, Range 42E. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it unanimously passed.

Mr. Ozark left the office.

Commissioner Peterson made a motion to pay the remaining balance of \$188,727.54, for the Airport runway project out of PILT funds in to be reimbursed by the Valley County Airport as their funds come in for this project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to sign the Agreement for Professional Services between Valley County and Great West Engineering to provide professional engineering and related services to Valley County to act as an on-call county engineer for the duration of five years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to sign the Task Order No. 1, Whatley Road Bridge Replacement, Exhibit A, Scope of Services at a cost of \$44,000. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it carried.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**MAY 15, 2013**

Commissioner Peterson was out of the office today participating in a man camp tour sponsored by the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline LP, at the Target Logistics Bear Paw Lodge North of Williston. This lodging company will be providing the services for the man camp used by Keystone when/if they build the oil pipeline through Montana. Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, Cam Shipp, Valley County Sanitarian, and René Clampitt, Planner/Dispatch Supervisor, will also be attending the tour.

**MAY 16, 2013**

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to authorize the Chairman to execute a Quitclaim Deed between Valley County and Patrick Kelly for the following described tax deed property at a cost of \$13,947.39:

**Unit 220-B**, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Subdivision located in Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 40 East, MPM, together with the appurtenant common elements as said common elements are defined and established by the Declaration of St. Marie Condominium recorded September 20, 1988 at 3:30 p.m., recorded in Book 69 of MRE on pages 551-623 and any and all amendments filed thereto.

The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried. The said Document, No. 150677, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 7, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to authorize the Chairman to execute a Quitclaim Deed between Valley County and Patrick Kelly for the following described tax deed property at a cost of \$12,126.17:

**Unit 245-A**, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Subdivision located in Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 40 East, MPM, together with the appurtenant common elements as said common elements are defined and established by the Declaration of St. Marie Condominium recorded September 20, 1988 at 3:30 p.m., recorded in Book 69 of MRE on pages 551-623 and any and all amendments filed thereto.

The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried. The said Document, No. 150678, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 7, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to authorize the Chairman to execute a Quitclaim Deed between Valley County and Patrick Kelly for the following described tax deed property at a cost of \$12,261.55:

**Unit 245-B**, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Subdivision located in Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 40 East, MPM, together with the appurtenant common elements as said common elements are defined and established by the Declaration of St. Marie Condominium recorded September 20, 1988 at 3:30 p.m., recorded in Book 69 of MRE on pages 551-623 and any and all amendments filed thereto.

The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried. The said Document, No. 150679, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 7, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to authorize the Chairman to execute a Quitclaim Deed between Valley County and Patrick Kelly for the following described tax deed property at a cost of \$11,993.60:

**Unit 245-D**, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Subdivision located in Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 40 East, MPM, together with the appurtenant common elements as said common elements are defined and established by the Declaration of St. Marie Condominium recorded September 20, 1988 at 3:30 p.m., recorded in Book 69 of MRE on pages 551-623 and any and all amendments filed thereto.

The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried. The said Document, No. 150680, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 7, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to authorize the Chairman to execute a Quitclaim Deed between Valley County and Patrick Kelly for the following described tax deed property at a cost of \$14,099.75:

**Unit 399-C**, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Subdivision located in Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 40 East, MPM, together with the appurtenant common elements as said common elements are defined and established by the Declaration of St. Marie Condominium recorded September 20, 1988 at 3:30 p.m., recorded in Book 69 of MRE on pages 551-623 and any and all amendments filed thereto.

The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried. The said Document, No. 150681, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 7, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to authorize the Chairman to execute a Quitclaim Deed between Valley County and Patrick Kelly for the following described tax deed property at a cost of \$14,777.74:

**Unit 401-C**, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Subdivision located in Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 40 East, MPM, together with the appurtenant common elements as said common elements are defined and established by the Declaration of St. Marie Condominium recorded September 20, 1988 at 3:30 p.m., recorded in Book 69 of MRE on pages 551-623 and any and all amendments filed thereto.

The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried. The said Document, No. 150676, was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder on June 7, 2013.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

David L. Pippin, Chairman

**MAY 20, 2013**

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 present.

The Commissioners visited with Mike Hughes, Job Service, getting advice after the first choice for the Safety Coordinator position turned down the job offer. Mr. Hughes said the County needs to keep the applications and scoring system files for 2.5 years.

René Clampitt, Planner/Dispatch Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about the new phone system installation that is currently being done.

Chairman Pippin informed the Board that Rick Stellflug, Valley County Weed/Mosquito Coordinator, had informed him that over the weekend there was an incident with some flooding in the basement. Mr. Steele had Jimison Janitorial Services come in and do some cleanup work. Chairman Pippin said they were not sure if it was a rain issue or if there was a problem with the sprinklers but now realize the sump pump quit working and the water flooded the basement with all the rain.

Commissioner Peterson visited with Daniels, Sheridan and Roosevelt Counties regarding the hiring of a shared Safety Coordinator for each county. Because the first choice did turn down the position it was agreed to offer the position to the second choice, Nancy Hamilton.

Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder, informed the Commissioners that one of her storerooms in the basement has some water on the floor.

Karen O'dell, Seniors Representative for the Senior Companion Program visited with Commissioners. She complimented the senior's Governors Conference held in Glasgow last week. She said the funding for their program has been cut some but they are adjusting by going for grants and cutting some travel in Valley County.

Chairman Pippin suggested that perhaps more volunteers could pick up some of the slack.

Ms. O'dell made the point that cuts to this program will drive some folks to assisted living or retirement homes and the cost for that is considerably more than the costs to do use the home companion program and she wanted to express her thanks for the support Valley County gives to this program.

Ben Anderson, MonTex Oil Corp, joined the meeting and said he was interested in leasing about 260 acres of Valley County land for \$10 per acre. 15% royalty payment for 1.5 years. He said he is also dealing with John Swanson who would like more lease money. The land of interest is located in Township 36 North, Range 36 East, and Section 13. Mr. Anderson said he would like to get this done. It takes 7 days to drill about 5000 feet to gather enough data, and have his information ready to before September 1 of this year and that would be in time to be able to bid on some State land for leases. He said he would hope to have eight to ten wells in the future, and each would produce 200 barrels, at \$40 per barrel, and the 15% royalty would be \$9,600 per day.

Mr. Anderson said he feels that the BLM's Resource Management Plan (RMP) could put a crimp in his plans for drilling. He has been told that a way to get BLM to reclassify Valley County land from low oil and gas potential, to a higher level, is to drill a producing well, or to get data to prove the same. Discussion followed.

Mr. Anderson said he is interested in 9 Townships in the area and 80% of that land is BLM land and that is the reason for his concern because of the proposed no surface rules that are suggested in the proposed RMP to help maintain and protect the sage grouse population.

Mr. Anderson said he would like to drill as soon as possible, get the proper data and then be ready to lease from the State in September, if the data is good. Then, one year from now he would be in process of drilling horizontally.

The wells in Daniels County were not successful, but they were drilling in a different zone and the place he wants to drill is right beside the Thoeny road. Mr. Anderson said there were wells drilled in the area in 1986 and it was not pursued because the price of oil was \$10 per barrel then and they did not make use of fracking. Also, in 2007 there was a well drilled on State land, but it was a deeper zone and it was not promising.

Mr. Anderson said that not too long ago he nominated 108,000 acres for oil and gas exploration on BLM land but was

rejected because of BLM's impending adoption of the RMP. He said the project will only take 7-8 days of actual drilling, and it will be vertical only, and only to a max of 5000 feet.

Commissioner Peterson asked if getting rigs was tough and Mr. Anderson agreed, but he knows a company who was in North Dakota and will be going to Blaine County that he wants to use.

Mr. Anderson said he is aware of the impact on County roads due to the drilling process and the trucking of the oil if produced. He said he would work with the County on the impact if oil is discovered.

Chairman Pippin said he would like to go ahead with the leasing and see what the Swanson Ranch accepted as the leasing rate.

Chairman Pippin said he would like to see some credentials and Mr. Anderson said he would email a resume and other company information and he left the office.

René Clampitt, Planner/Dispatch Supervisor, reviewed a meeting for Operation Life Saver, railroad safety and increased activity from oil boom that was being held at the Cottonwood Inn.

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, visited with the Commissioners about abandoning a road east of Glasgow that would allow the railroad to construct some additional sidetracks near the old Whatley Townsite.

The group reviewed a map showing the proposed new sidetracks that will take up the old petitioned County Road. BNSF will put in a road next to their tracks. Discussion followed.

Mr. Seiler said BNSF will be submitting petitions to abandon the road, and maybe the County wants to abandon just enough of the road to allow for the three new tracks, about two miles. He said that one railroad crossing will have to be abandoned too. Discussion followed.

The question came up why do we need to keep 218, which runs north and south and Mr. Seiler said that we need to keep access to the south. He said folks in this area would be able to use the new railroad road that will be built. The public crossing over the railroad next to Milk River will probably be unusable because cars will be on those tracks, but this will depend on the negotiation between the BNSF and the folks that would use that crossing.

Shelley Mills, Extension Agent, asked the Commissioners if they would check all our county vehicles for the condition of the tires and windshields and Reinhardt said he would check this afternoon.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Diana Sorensen as a part-time Driver for the Transit effective May 31, 2013. 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 Angela Jo Peterson as a permanent, part-time Dispatcher for the Sheriff's Office beginning May 18, 2013, at \$11.00 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 Richard Lynn Marquardt as a permanent, part-time Detention Officer for the Sheriff's Office beginning May 20, 2013, at \$11.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-2013**

**RESOLUTION OF THE VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION  
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TSEP PROGRAM**

**Whereas**, the Valley County Commission is applying to the Montana Department of Commerce for financial assistance from the Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of its bridges in an effort to develop a Valley County Bridge Inventory in a manner that satisfies funding agency requirements;

**Whereas**, the Valley County Commission has the legal jurisdiction and authority to finance the 2013 infrastructure planning grant (PER);

**Whereas**, the Valley County Commission agrees to comply with all State laws and regulations and the requirements described in the TSEP Application Guidelines and those that will be described in the TSEP Project Administration Manual;

**Whereas**, the Valley County Commission commits to provide the amount of matching funds as proposed in the TSEP application; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that, David Pippin, Commissioner-Chair, is authorized to submit this application to the Montana Department of Commerce, on behalf of the Valley County Commission, to act on its behalf and to provide such additional information as may be required.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Valley County Board of County Commissioners this \_\_  
20th day of May, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

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David L. Pippin, Chairman

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Dave Reinhardt, Member

ATTEST:

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Bruce H. Peterson, Member

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Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 584, between Valley County and Fidelity Towers, Inc. for the construction of an approach to new cell phone towers located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 31 North, Range 36 East. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 585, between Valley County and Fidelity Towers, Inc. for the construction of an approach to new cell phone towers located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 27 North, Range 44 East. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it unanimously passed.

The next item up for discussion on the agenda was the Safety Coordinator.

Commissioner Peterson said they were going to follow the recommendation from the Safety Coordinator committee to use their second choice from the applicants after the first individual turned down the job. Commissioner Peterson said he would be contacting Mrs. Hamilton.

Commissioner Peterson said there was a Fair Commission meeting tonight.

After some discussion it was agreed by the Commissioners that they preferred that there not be any private animals housed on fairgrounds because of liability problems, is it open to everyone, and who is paying for the water if it is the county's water bill.

Ron Gilbertson was in to visit.

Commissioner Peterson make a phone call to the Chairman of the Fair Commission, Smiley Johnson and visited with him about the horses still at the fairgrounds. Mr. Johnson said he would take care of it, and the Fair Commission will get the policy of private animals addressed.

Jenny Chalmers from Action for Eastern Montana stopped in to get contracts for senior meals. She said that the number of meals in most locations is down and therefore the need for cash may be a bit less.

Dean Jensen from BLM visited with the Commissioners. He asked about the status of the cell tower that was going to be installed near the Hinsdale Airport and he said that he thought if a light was requested to be put on the cell tower the company would probably put one on there.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Commissioner Peterson told Mrs. Clampitt that if this is a continuing problem we may have to address it but that he would not make a case of it for now.

Richard Dunbar, Phillips County Commissioner phoned to inform the Valley County Commissioners the MACo District meeting is scheduled for June 5th in Miles City. Mr. Dunbar asked if the Valley County Commissioners wanted to be in the Oil & Gas Counties Association. He said they did not have new person hired for lobbyist but are working on it.

Mr. Dunbar said that Phillips Economic Development got a call from Rick Perkins about 20 acres to store target housing units. The Valley County Commissioners were also approached about this opportunity.

Vickie Bell, Health Department Coordinator, joined the meeting.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the meeting.

Commissioner Peterson attended the Fair Commission Board meeting to explain a bit of the fair budget and also the present state of fair budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

David L. Pippin, Chairman

**MAY 21, 2013**

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 present.

Commissioner Peterson met with Nancy Hamilton and she accepted the job offer to be the Safety Coordinator for Valley, Sheridan, Daniels and Roosevelt Counties. She will be a Valley County employee and Valley County will get the funds from the other counties to fund a budget for that position. This position's salary will be \$17.00/hour and Valley County will supply an office which will probably be located downstairs. Mrs. Hamilton will report to a designated single Valley County Commissioner. She will work 40 hours week, travel time will be considered work time, and this will not be a regular 8 to 5, 5 days a week work schedule. All the Counties and Mrs. Hamilton are aware that this is new job and all must be flexible, and the job will evolve and change as time goes by.

After meeting with Ms. Hamilton this a.m. the other participating Counties were informed and they gave the go ahead to pursue. Valley County will have to make arrangements to equip the office. The position will start on July 1, 2013.

Doris Ozark, Valley County Fair Manager, dropped off some minutes and some ideas they have for future projects at the Fairgrounds. There was some discussion on having private livestock at the fairgrounds and Mrs. Ozark said they are working on a policy to address that situation and at present time they charge \$10 per night.

Chairman Pippin suggested that this policy be advertised somehow to the public because there have been questions about private stock being at the Fairgrounds.

Mrs. Ozark left the office.

Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, informed the Commissioners that BNSF may change their plans as to how long the sidings will be on the proposed Whatley area railroad sidetrack project. He said it could be cut from 2 miles in length to 1 mile. There is meeting scheduled with BNSF and the Commissioners next week on May 29th.

Vickie Bell, Health Department Coordinator, joined the meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to sign the maternal child grant and Chairman Pippin seconded the motion.

Commissioner Reinhardt questioned whether it was worth all the paperwork and time to get the funds. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin called for the vote and it passed with two ayes and one nay from Commissioner Reinhardt.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Jacob Knaff as an Operator for Junk Vehicle, at \$17.73 per hour, effective May 21, 2013. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson told the Commissioners that Bill Nyby of Sheridan County has contacted Emelia McEwen of MACo about the hiring of the Safety Coordinator and Ms. McEwen is willing to come spend day or so to help get the program off the ground. Mr. Nyby was informed that Jim Muskovich had also been contacted with this information.

Letters were sent to the unsuccessful applicants for the Safety Coordinator position, was sent. The following individuals were sent letters:

Lance Coligan                      715 3<sup>rd</sup> Street                      Havre, Montana 59901

Todd Young                    203 5<sup>th</sup> Street North    Glasgow, Montana 59230  
Diane Hanson                173 Highway 528W      Wolf Point, Montana 59201

Commissioner Reinhardt attended the safety meeting being held at the Cottonwood Inn this afternoon.

Commissioner Reinhardt attended the Refuse District Board meeting.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**May 22, 2013**

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 present.

Bob Stumvoll visited with the Commissioners about paying the interest on the bill to Riverside for the airport project. Mr. Stumvoll said the County owes interest because we are late getting the bill paid.

After visiting with Dora Jean Beil, Refuse District/Airport Commission Secretary, it was discovered that the bill was just paid, without interest, but was only a couple of weeks ago that we got a bill, so county was timely in that regard. Evidently the project was substantially complete at end of 2012, and it seems that Riverside did do a billing but either Peccia or the FAA did not send the bill to Valley County until just recently.

Bill Gaffney, Valley County Computer Technician, visited with the Commissioners and suggested that we go to a Google Apps type of system. In addition to other benefits, it would also remove the ties with the State's email system, who at times is not the most responsive to our needs.

Mr. Gaffney said the new law requirements say that we need to archive 10 years of emails and the County Attorney is making that case. With this new approach, all computer users in Valley County will have similar email address and there will be the opportunity to have shared calendar and documents over all the system. The increased cost to make the switch will be about \$2,500 per year and this will require about 20 hours of time from the computer techs. Mr. Gaffney would like to begin on this changeover immediately.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to accept Bill Gaffney's proposal for Valley County email provider to Google Apps. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**MAY 16, 2013**

Chairman Pippin was in the office today.

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

**MAY 23, 2013**

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 present.

**MAY 24, 2013**

Chairman Pippin was in the office for a while today.

Commissioner Peterson stopped in the office for a short while.

**MAY 28, 2013**

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

Rick Stellflug, Valley County Weed/Mosquito Coordinator, explained to the Commissioners why the Weed Department took their air compressor from the Fair shed, where it had been for several years. Mr. Stellflug said he was just trying to consolidate his tools and equipment. He said Fair Commission member Jerry Arnold called Mr. Stellflug and complained that the air compressor was taken talking to someone at the Fair, other than Clay Berger who happened to be at the fairgrounds and got the compressor out for Mr. Stellflug.

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, brought in some traffic counts. He has counters out and they are collecting data in various areas. He said specifically he would like to have counts indicating the before, during, and after the oil pipeline work begins, and any other projects that occur in the area. Scotty Pride Drive shows an average of just under 1,200 vehicles per day, and this led to the discussion that someday Century Construction will have to address the condition of the Airport Road.

The group discussed the airport millings that have been suggested to be used on Skylark Road. There are two piles of millings, one of which has been crushed by Fike Crushing Inc., and a sample from this pile has been sent in for testing to see how good they are. Mr. Waarvik said that his estimation would be \$280,000 for the oil and chemical that would have to be used to lay the millings down, and that would be millings only and then there is cost of prep work and hauling, etc.

Mr. Waarvik said the beams are set on the Canal Road Bridge and he left the office.

Leo Bergtoll stopped in and picked up a Road Abandonment form. He said he would like to have a half mile of road closed up in the Thoeny area.

Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, stopped in to request some tech work in the office across the hall for his intern. It also appears that this office will also be used by the Drug Task Coordinator who will live in Roundup.

Mr. Murnion discussed the proposal by Choice Aviation for a contract to rent land to build themselves a hangar. He said he feels that the Commissioners have the last say on any contract dealing with the Airport and if we do a contract we can limit the number of years.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, informed the Commissioners that Terry Lee, St. Marie, was in to see her about taking over the old Tommie Rogers' gas station on Highway 2. Mrs. Reinhardt said she believes the State of Montana has lien on Roger's estate for \$200,000 which may affect this property. Discussion followed.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, submitted his FY 2013/14 budget to the Commissioners.

Herb Sand visited with the Commissioners about his taxes are being spent. He wondered if the road to his house is eligible for gravel, and he is appreciative that on occasion, when the patrol is in area, they do a quick run up his road. Further discussion led to his asking that Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, contact him about developing a gravel pit on his land for an exchange for some hauled gravel on his road.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office to participate in the 11 month inspection of the Transit Building remodel with Jed Kirkland, Engineer for the project and said Commissioner Reinhardt said there were no complaints.

Ron Reddig stopped in and asked the Commissioners how to separate two acres from the land he is selling to his son. He said he recently found out that this would be a subdivision action. Mr. Reddig is hoping that that this can be approved before the end of June.

Commissioner Peterson took Mr. Reddig to see René Clampitt, Planner/Dispatch Supervisor.

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, stopped in and the Commissioners told him about the possibility of a gravel pit as indicated from Herb Sand earlier.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

David L. Pippin, Chairman

## **MAY 29, 2013**

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 present.

Commissioner Peterson said he will be out of the State of Montana effective Friday, May 31, 2013 through Friday, June 7, 2013.

Chairman Pippin left the office to meet with an AT&T Representative about the location of the proposed cell tower near the Fairgrounds. He said that where Verizon presently wants the tower, is too close to the road by the Weed Department's building and it would be better to have the tower much closer to the dike than the originally proposed location. He said there still is not a rental price in the agreement that was sent to the Commissioner and that will be the topic of conversation when they meet.

The Commissioners received a phone call from Terry Archambeault who is at the Opheim Refuse site and not sure if he will be able to get out because of the mud. He hoped for a motor grader and some gravel to help him get out.

Commissioner Peterson said he would contact Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, and see if there was anything the Road Department could do to help.

René Clampitt, Planner/Dispatch Supervisor, informed the Board that the North Valley repeater is down again and she will try to get hold of Vern Buerkle, Valley County Undersheriff to get it fixed. She said this has been an area of trouble for the last several months.

Ryan Schlichting, RDO dropped off the motor grader bids at 9:20 a.m. and said he would be back for the bid opening this afternoon.

Chris Richards will be starting the telephone line infrastructure update today and plans to be done by Tuesday. Jayme Branson, Cerium, will be installing the new phone board, and changeover phones. Mr. Branson will be giving classes to the Valley County Courthouse employees on how to operate the new phones once all the equipment is installed and running.

Nancy Hamilton stopped in to get all the safety information that we have on hand and visited about the job and what resources there were for her job.

Mike Tenney, and Lee Hostler from Cinnabar Southwest Consulting, joined the meeting.

Mr. Tenney said his firm is working with Interstate Engineering on boundaries for BNSF projects. The purpose of this visit was to inform, and see if Valley County had any questions regarding the side track project being done near the Whatley area.

He said the project is back to being 3 sidings of 10,000 feet, with the south two sidings being slightly shorter because of the switch curves at end of the project. He said Dorothy Hlad was not interested in giving a Right-of-Way so there is no request to abandon a County Road on the east half of the project as originally thought. The request now is to abandon from Road Petition 218 Road to the west. Denzel Miller owns that land and is agreeable to allow them a Right-of-Way, as long as he has the right to use the crossing over the railroad at the west end of the project. -

The proposal is calling for changing the existing public crossing at the west end of the project onto the highway, to a private crossing for Mr. Miller and for BNSF to use, and if possible to move the crossing further to the west. Mr. Tenney knows that Montana Department of Transportation (DOT) has to be involved in this and he has made repeated contact with them.

Mr. Tenney said they need just 75 feet width in which to build 3 sidings, so there is no absolute need to get the Right-of-Way permission from Hlad, but they hope that in the future they may be able to build a service road to the south of the sidings on Hlad's land. He said a road, which would be similar to one they will make on the west part of the project, will be accessible at the public crossing from the highway. Mr. Tenney said the east/west power lines and poles are not in play, but a couple of north/south poles will have to be moved.

Mr. Waarvik warned that the City water line from the Missouri River runs through the project area and Tenney said he is aware of it and has had conversations with the City of Glasgow. Mr. Waarvik also warned about moving the public crossing and the safety problem that could arise if the crossing is too close to the guard rail on Highway 2. Mr. Tenney said he is aware of that and would check again this afternoon at the site and would contact the Montana DOT.

When asked why these sidings are being built, Mr. Hostler said that the train traffic has increased and they are having trouble finding time to maintain tracks. He said he feels that all crossings in the area will benefit and that includes Nashua. No one seemed to know for sure if the Nashua overpass project is still up for consideration.

Mr. Tenney said that he will have the necessary information to the Valley County Clerk & Recorder early next week so the petition can be verified. He said he has 12 names all ready and plans to get BNSF and Mr. Miller to sign. Once the petition is verified the Commissioners will advertise for a public hearing. BNSF was told that after the hearing the Commissioners may make a decision that very day.

Mr. Hostler said that would give plenty of time for them to prepare for a July start date on the project and the group left the office.,

René Clampitt, Planner/Dispatch Supervisor, informed the Commissioners that Ron Reddig will have to go through full subdivision review which in this busy times will take about 60 days, but DEQ is not busy so they can probably do this faster. Cam Shipp, Valley County Sanitarian, will call Mr. Reddig with the update.

Shelley Bryan, District Court Clerk, dropped off her FY 2013/14 budget and was told to talk to Mark Dulaney about ordering six chairs for the jurors in the Courtroom and also told to price some new cushions for court room.

Cam Shipp, Valley County Sanitarian, turned in his FY 2013-14 budget and said he would talk to Ron Reddig about his plan to sell land and the plat that will be submitted.

Ryan Schlicting, RDO, Segewick Nygard, T&E, Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, and Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator, joined the meeting.

Pursuant to the Call for Proposals published in the local newspaper, Chairman Pippin opened sealed bids at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 29th day of May, 2013, in their office at the Valley County Courthouse, open sealed bids for the purchase of one or more: Diesel Powered, Articulated Frame Motor Graders.

There were two bids submitted and opened, and the bids were as follows:

**TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT**

|                     |                            |              |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Net Purchase Price: | Caterpillar 160M2 (Tandem) | \$277,225.00 |
|                     | Caterpillar 160M2 (AWD)    | \$302,625.00 |

| <u>BUY BACK OPTIONS:</u>                   | <u>TANDEM</u> | <u>AWD</u>  |
|--|---------------|-------------|
| Year #3: (3,600 Hrs)                       | \$237,885     | \$261,500   |
| Year #4: (4,800 Hrs)                       | \$218,075     | \$239,500   |
| Year #5: (6,000 Hrs)                       | \$198,275     | \$217,600   |
| Total 6 Unit Purchase Price (after trade): | \$640,350     | \$792,750   |
| Total Cost After 5 Years (6 Units)         | (\$549,300)   | (\$512,850) |

**RDO EQUIPMENT BID #1**

|                     |                      |           |
|---------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Net Purchase Price: | John Deere 772 (AWD) | \$251,000 |
|---------------------|----------------------|-----------|

| <u>BUY BACK OPTIONS:</u>                   | <u>TANDEM</u> | <u>AWD</u> |
|--|---------------|------------|
| Year #3: (3,600 Hrs)                       | \$204,400     |            |
| Year #4: (4,800 Hrs)                       | \$188,200     |            |
| Year #5: (6,000 Hrs)                       | \$171,000     |            |
| Total 6 Unit Purchase Price (after trade): | \$335,000     |            |
| Total Cost After 5 Years (6 Units)         | (\$691,000)   |            |

**RDO EQUIPMENT BID #2**

|                     |                          |           |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Net Purchase Price: | John Deere 870G (Tandem) | \$235,500 |
|                     | John Deere 872G (AWD)    | \$273,000 |

| <u>BUY BACK OPTIONS:</u>                   | <u>TANDEM</u> | <u>AWD</u>  |
|--|---------------|-------------|
| Year #3: (3,600 Hrs)                       | \$179,100     | \$238,800   |
| Year #4: (4,800 Hrs)                       | \$163,200     | \$241,400   |
| Year #5: (6,000 Hrs)                       | \$147,200     | \$189,900   |
| Total 6 Unit Purchase Price (after trade): | \$242,000     | \$467,000   |
| Total Cost After 5 Years (6 Units)         | (\$641,200)   | (\$672,400) |

Commissioner Reinhardt asked about delivery date and Tractor & Equipment said they could not say for sure, it would be from 90 day to 200 days but it depends on the current demand and what model was chosen. Mr. Schlicting, said it would make a difference on what machines were ordered but the machines could be delivered anywhere from the end of July to mid October, but actually would be 60 to 150 from the date of the order. Discussion followed on some of the particulars.

Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, visited with the Commissioners about the lease for a cell tower with AT&T. He said he would not sign this lease because it is a 5 year option. The language says that the renter has the option to keep this lease

in effect for 5 terms of 5 years with no consent needed from the County and paragraph 16 gives the renter the option to sublease. Discussion followed.

Norm Girard stopped in and visited about lights for County Buildings. It was suggested that we contact Scott Patera, Northwestern Energy about light grants.

Penny Zimmerman, from Jon Tester's Office visited with the Commissioners.

Kelly Fuhrman visited with the Commissioners requesting an address change for his house and a conflict he is having.

Claim Fund claims for the month of May were approved as follows;

| Vendor                                | Claim # | Amount    |
|---------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| 3924 911 SUPPLY                       | 59493   | 354.46    |
| 3221 AAKRES OF GREEN GRASS            | 59389   | 65.41     |
| 2853 ALL SEASON HOME CENTER           | 59390   | 218.90    |
| 3677 AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION         | 59520   | 399.00    |
| 184 AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC        | 59391   | 142.53    |
| 558 ARCH'S TIRE & SERVICE             | 59395   | 1,082.00  |
| 18 BELL MORTUARY INC                  | 59392   | 1,500.00  |
| 1766 BEN'S RADIATOR REPAIR            | 59394   | 145.00    |
| 75 BIG VALLEY WATER                   | 59393   | 52.00     |
| 504 BOB BARKER CO INC                 | 59469   | 1,473.38  |
| 4576 BRIDGETTE LONEBEAR               | 59495   | 46.00     |
| 2838 BRUCE PETERSON                   | 59396   | 26.46     |
| 4427 BS CENTRAL INC                   | 59494   | 192.90    |
| 756 CAMERON SHIPP                     | 59397   | 180.00    |
| Vendor                                | Claim # | Amount    |
| 3360 CENTURY LINK                     | 59470   | 1,148.58  |
| 4403 CHOICE AVIATION LLC              | 59398   | 2,700.24  |
| 677 CITY OF GLASGOW                   | 59363   | 11,894.50 |
| 2426 CLIFF'S UPHOLSTERY               | 59399   | 539.00    |
| 1095 COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO            | 59400   | 14.00     |
| 548 COLLEEN M PANKRATZ                | 59503   | 96.63     |
| 3618 CROP PRODUCTION SERVICES         | 59485   | 525.00    |
| 225 D & G SPORTS & WESTERN            | 59401   | 215.95    |
| 39 DALE PLUMBING & HEATING INC        | 59402   | 898.75    |
| 40 DAN OLSON DBA                      | 59404   | 430.77    |
| 2961 DANIEL JENSEN                    | 59403   | 211.25    |
| 2740 DARLA SHIPMAN                    | 59364   | 72.00     |
|                                       | 59496   | 36.00     |
| 3445 DAVID HILLMAN                    | 59492   | 50.00     |
| 2782 DAVID KNIERIM                    | 59509   | 38.42     |
| 4573 DIAGNOSTIC PEST SOLUTIONS        | 59405   | 120.00    |
| 13 ESRI                               | 59406   | 400.00    |
| 812 EZZIE'S WHOLESALE INC             | 59365   | 29,973.84 |
|                                       | 59407   | 6,565.29  |
| 2757 FARM EQUIPMENT SALES             | 59408   | 77.90     |
| 130 FIRST COMMUNITY BANK              | 59409   | 366.00    |
| 1369 FIRST INTERSTATE BANK            | 59410   | 2,500.00  |
| 3076 FLICKS                           | 59497   | 22.20     |
| 54 FOOD SERVICES OF AMERICA           | 59366   | 2,249.10  |
|                                       | 59411   | 4,275.74  |
| 57 FOSSUM READY MIX INC               | 59412   | 530.50    |
| 59 FRANCES MAHON DEACONESS HOSPITAL   | 59413   | 364.21    |
| 206 FRANCES MAHON DEACONESS HOSPITAL  | 59414   | 2,182.92  |
| 4455 FREEMAN AND GAFFNEY ASSOCIATES   | 59519   | 4,920.00  |
| 311 GAFFANEYS TOTAL OFFICE SOURCE INC | 59415   | 1,580.27  |
| 665 GARY J MARTIN                     | 59416   | 59,000.00 |
| 66 GLASGOW AUTO SAFETY CENTER         | 59417   | 104.00    |
| 71 GLASGOW COURIER INC                | 59418   | 117.50    |
| 2962 GLASGOW IMPLEMENT INC            | 59504   | 214.72    |
| 2598 GLEN MEIER                       | 59471   | 50.51     |
| 143 GLENN RORVIG                      | 59510   | 90.40     |

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| 4299 GLOBALSTAR USA                           | 59367   | 92.77      |
| 121 HAVRE LAUNDRY                             | 59419   | 674.10     |
| 392 HI LINE FORD INC                          | 59420   | 2,178.60   |
| 703 HI LINE SECURITY INC                      | 59472   | 525.25     |
| 2885 INTERSTATE BATTERIES                     | 59498   | 323.85     |
| 3576 J & M DISTRIBUTING                       | 59421   | 264.35     |
| 4574 JAKE ZUMBUHL                             | 59422   | 110.00     |
| 2741 JEAN REA                                 | 59368   | 40.00      |
|   | 59516   | 52.00      |
| 574 JIMISON JANITORIAL & CARPET CLEANING LLC  | 59481   | 608.48     |
| 108 JOHN W MOGAN                              | 59511   | 158.20     |
| 572 JOHNSTONE SUPPLY                          | 59423   | 384.88     |
| 4207 KIRK SIBLEY                              | 59512   | 74.58      |
| 368 KLTZ/KLAN INC                             | 59424   | 135.00     |
| 987 L & D SIGNS                               | 59425   | 148.00     |
| 3029 LANE & ASSOCIATES                        | 59426   | 138.60     |
| 929 LINDA M HARTSOCK                          | 59486   | 138.00     |
| 855 LOREN NICHOLS                             | 59427   | 56.50      |
| 3095 LUCAS STROMMEN                           | 59428   | 121.00     |
| 3133 MAPPING & PLANNING SPECIALISTS, INC      | 59429   | 1,246.00   |
| 2681 MARK ARNESON                             | 59430   | 110.00     |
| 101 MARKLE'S INC                              | 59431   | 1,946.48   |
| 4553 MAX A PANGBURN                           | 59369   | 787.04     |
| 3909 MEDICAL ARTS PRESS                       | 59432   | 201.19     |
| 144 MIDWEST CANCER SCREENING                  | 59433   | 16.15      |
| 3557 MILLER OIL CO                            | 59434   | 385.00     |
| 1326 MJC & MCCA                               | 59435   | 35.00      |
| 3042 MOGAN'S SPRINKLERS                       | 59436   | 114.00     |
| 959 MONTANA ASSOC OF CLERK/DISTRICT COURT     | 59517   | 195.00     |
| 540 MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES/MACO      | 59473   | 170.10     |
| 969 MONTANA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION      | 59370   | 205.00     |
| 1743 MONTANA COUNTY FIREWARDEN'S ASSOCIATION  | 59437   | 50.00      |
| 113 MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES                  | 59438   | 3,379.34   |
| 3276 MONTANA DEPT OF AGRICULTURE              | 59487   | 120.00     |
| 1749 MONTANA SHERIFF'S & PEACE OFFICERS ASSOC | 59371   | 350.00     |
| 2624 MSU EXTENSION PUBLICATIONS               | 59475   | 58.75      |
| 239 MSU EXTENSION SERVICE                     | 59439   | 4,297.90   |
| 2958 MSU FIRE SERVICES TRAINING SCHOOL        | 59440   | 396.00     |
| 4572 MSU POTATO LAB                           | 59372   | 305.00     |
| 297 MYRON GARTNER PLUMBING & HEATING          | 59441   | 7.32       |
| 3232 NATE MILLER                              | 59513   | 27.12      |
| 183 NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC         | 59373   | 4,243.83   |
| 165 NEWTON MOTORS INC                         | 59442   | 90.03      |
| 470 NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO                      | 59499   | 306.00     |
| 661 NORTHEAST MONTANA FAIR                    | 59502   | 9,000.00   |
| 115 NORTHWESTERN ENERGY                       | 59374   | 918.76     |
| Vendor  | Claim # | Amount     |
|   | 59443   | 8,127.14   |
| 120 NORVAL ELECTRIC CO-OP INC                 | 59444   | 1,722.81   |
| 4248 PARK GROVE BAR & CAFE                    | 59386   | 568.00     |
| 3087 PAT NEULIEB                              | 59385   | 1,470.50   |
| 223 PEHLKE'S FURNITURE                        | 59445   | 190.00     |
| 129 PETTY CASH                                | 59476   | 440.43     |
| 131 PITNEY BOWES INC                          | 59477   | 478.98     |
| 4575 POCKET PROS                              | 59446   | 75.00      |
| 2633 PRIMUS                                   | 59375   | 649.73     |
| 2768 PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS                  | 59447   | 2,912.50   |
| 135 PRO CO-OP                                 | 59448   | 49.06      |
| 2620 RDO EQUIPMENT TRUST #80-5800             | 59449   | 679.66     |
| 137 RECTOR LAW OFFICE P.C.                    | 59450   | 50.00      |
| 3052 REED MESMAN                              | 59451   | 121.00     |
| 76 REYNOLDS                                   | 59452   | 618.37     |
| 4296 RIVERSIDE SAND & GRAVEL INC              | 59482   | 488,331.97 |
| 934 ROBERT PECCIA & ASSOCIATES INC            | 59483   | 24,274.92  |
| 1760 ROCKMOUNT RESEARCH & ALLOYS INC          | 59484   | 605.44     |

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| 3056 ROUBIE YOUNKIN                   | 59514  | 264.56     |
| 4577 SANDY BOESE                      | 59500  | 35.00      |
| 147 SCOTT'S TRACK 'N' WHEEL           | 59488  | 30.05      |
| 423 SHERRI R TURNER                   | 59376  | 46.00      |
| 2516 SHERRILL RICHARDSON              | 59505  | 123.42     |
| 4404 SMITH MEDICAL PARTNERS           | 59453  | 502.56     |
| 3901 SOUTHSIDE WELDING MACHINE INC    | 59454  | 92.64      |
| 472 STATE OF MONTANA                  | 59474  | 333.23     |
| 2744 STATE OF MONTANA DEPT OF REVENUE | 59478  | 5,249.66   |
| 3693 STOUGHIE'S BAR AND GRILL         | 59387  | 672.00     |
| 162 SYSCO MONTANA INC                 | 59518  | 156.96     |
| 163 T & R TRUCKING INC                | 59455  | 16,928.19  |
| 6 TAYLOR STORAGE                      | 59456  | 600.00     |
| 4571 TCA INC                          | 59479  | 31,384.48  |
| 788 TERRY LIGHTHIZER                  | 59457  | 257.52     |
| 291 THE CHEMNET CONSORTIUM            | 59506  | 649.29     |
| 3902 THE OUTPOST                      | 59388  | 1,365.00   |
| 4372 THE PRINT SHOP                   | 59507  | 98.00      |
| 2996 THOMPSON & SONS                  | 59458  | 6,763.02   |
| 41 TIRE-RAMA SERVICE CENTER           | 59459  | 1,253.52   |
| 1074 TOWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY       | 59384  | 345.83     |
| 680 TOWN OF OPHEIM                    | 59377  | 50.00      |
| 171 TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO            | 59460  | 371.07     |
| 172 TRI STATE TRUCK-EQUIP INC         | 59461  | 937.59     |
| 174 TRIPLE A GLASS INC                | 59515  | 42.50      |
| 787 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE/PITNEY BOWES  | 59480  | 1,040.45   |
| 627 UNCLE MILT'S BODY SHOP            | 59489  | 1,086.65   |
| 77 VALLEY BUILDERS SUPPLY             | 59462  | 221.80     |
| 1500 VALLEY CO SHERIFF                | 59463  | 137.11     |
| 614 VALLEY CO TRANSIT                 | 59464  | 509.50     |
| 182 VALLEY MOTOR SUPPLY INC           | 59465  | 1,536.18   |
| 3333 VICKY WETZ                       | 59378  | 254.86     |
| 1087 VISA                             | 59508  | 135.17     |
| 3559 VISA                             | 59379  | 1,023.56   |
| 4061 VISA                             | 59380  | 2,091.53   |
| 4050 VISA 7495                        | 59381  | 699.30     |
| 803 WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIP CO         | 59490  | 131.40     |
| 187 WEST PAYMENT CENTER               | 59491  | 286.26     |
| 876 WEST PAYMENT CENTER               | 59382  | 237.00     |
| 188 WESTERN DRUG INC                  | 59501  | 971.09     |
| 32 WEX BANK                           | 59383  | 131.31     |
| 190 WILLS OFFICE WORLD/RADIO SHACK    | 59466  | 610.45     |
| 192 ZEE MEDICAL                       | 59467  | 168.20     |
| 193 ZERBE BROS INC                    | 59468  | 286.20     |
|                                       | Total: | 787,115.02 |

Payroll for the month of May was approved in the amount of \$339,831.64

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

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David L. Pippin, Chairman