

APRIL 1, 2014

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

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about a variety of issues.

Pursuant to the call for sealed bids by the Valley County Weed District, for a 1996 Ford F350 pickup with a pump, nozzles, reels and hoses at a minimum bid of \$6,000, which was published in the local newspaper, there were no bids submitted.

Stan Ozark, KLTZ/Mix 93, 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 none were given and no public comments were submitted.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Sally Irwin as a Clerk for the Treasurer's Office, changing her status to permanent full-time, increasing her salary to \$13.50 per hour, effective April 1, 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 Paulette Knaff as a volunteer Nurse for the Health Department, beginning March 24, 2014, at no pay. 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 James Opheim increasing his salary because he has completed his six month probation, as a permanent, part-time Driver for the Transit Department beginning February 21, 2014, increasing his pay to \$12.08 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 Justin Douziech as a temporary, maintenance worker effective April 1, 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 Connie Boreson as a permanent, full-time 85% Deputy Clerk for the Clerk and Records Office effective April 30, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

Mrs. Boreson was appointed the Valley County Health Department Director effective May 1, 2014.

The 2014-15 health insurance options was the next item on the agenda.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he would like to continue with the same provisions as before. He said that there was a 3% increase over last year and everyone he knows of is happy with the insurance as it is, and he has had no complaints.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt that Valley County will give a benefit that is equal to 85% of the total combined cost of the single vision, single dental, and single Revised Major Medical 1500-80-3000 rates for fiscal year 2014-15, and this would be a total contribution of \$731.00 per month for any fulltime or part-time employee that works 20 hours or more per week. This \$731.00 may be applied to any of the three available MACo medical plans for 2014-15, and the County will continue to pay the \$2.50 monthly life insurance premium plus \$1.50 for dependant life insurance, at a total of \$4.00 for life insurance premiums, available to all fulltime or part-time County employees that work 20 hours or more per week. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and passed unanimously.

It was noted that the life insurance benefit rates for this next period have not been set yet by MACo and may change after their Health Board meeting being held mid April.

The next item on the agenda was the call for proposals for the congregate meals for senior citizens for 2014-15.

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

**CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

The Board of County Commissioners of Valley County hereby invites for congregate and home delivered meal bids for the elderly for July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015. Meals served must be acceptable to the elderly consumer and meet 1/3 RDA. Meals will be served on days and times mutually agreed upon by the two parties. The following meal pattern is required:

- Meat or meat alternate – 3 edible ounces
- Vegetable and fruit – 3 servings
  - Vegetable serving = 1 cup leafy greens or ½ cup cooked
  - Fruit serving = ½ cup or 1 serving
- Grains – 2 servings (whole grains: 100% whole wheat breads, pastas, brown rice)
- Milk or dairy equivalent – 1 serving
- Coffee or hot tea

The caterer is responsible for following all safety and sanitation regulations as established by the State of Montana. The caterer is responsible for paying all costs of food, supplies, labor and other costs as necessary in providing meals. Meals may be served on site or catered to another location. The location of meals served on site must be accessible to people with disabilities.

Sealed bids must be received in the courthouse by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 11, 2014. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 14, 2014. Special consideration for the home delivered meals bid will be given for the services of a dietician.

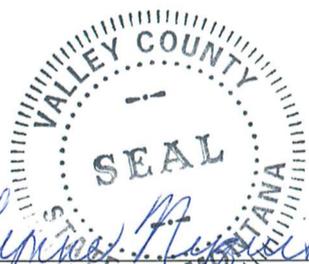
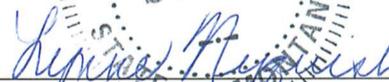
The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, to waive irregularities, or to accept any bid they deem to be in the best interest of Valley County.

For more information contact the Valley County Council on Aging at 228-9500.

DATED this 1st day of April, 2014.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA**

  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

  
  
ATTEST: Lynn Nyquist, Clerk

(Publish April 2 and 9, 2014)

The next item on the agenda was the offer by Wireless Capital Partners, LLC, to buy out Valley County's AT&T tower lease.

Chairman Pippin said that this company has offered to buy out the lease giving the County \$45,000. Commissioner Peterson figured out the cost and it would be a loss of income of about 16% if the County were to take the \$45,000 one time cash payment over the monthly payments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to reject the offer of \$45,000 from Wireless Capital Partners, LLC, to buy out Valley County's communication tower lease with AT&T. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Ozark left the office.

Chairman Pippin informed the Board that the license plate display in the foyer of the Courthouse Lobby was taken down to paint and now he is recommending it be given to the Pioneer Museum for display.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that there are some documents in that display that are valuable and it would be better to be displayed in a more secure area.

Chairman Pippin said he would contact the Museum Board and ask them to take the display.

Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier visited with the Commissioners about the actions taken today during the meeting.

Pam Walling, MACo Health Trust Marketing Coordinator, joined the meeting to discuss health insurance renewals.

Commissioner Peterson said that the Commissioners had made a motion earlier to continue the same coverage as before.

Mrs. Walling said that she would like them to consider dropping the CM1000 plan because Valley County is the only County that still offers that plan and there are only nine Valley County employees enrolled in that plan, so MACo Health Care Trust would like to discontinue it. She said the RM1500 plan is comparable and a better coverage over all.

Chairman Pippin asked if Mrs. Walling would put together some information that would explain the various plans.

After some discussion the Commissioners agreed to drop the CM1000 plan and to provide a total of three plans, RM1500-80-3000, HD3000-80-5000, BP2000-70-4000 in addition to the Medicare Retiree and Medicare Retiree and Spouse plans.

Mrs. Walling said the Health Care Trust is doing well and she reviewed the loss ratios and the year's summary.

Mrs. Walling said that Valley County has a 60% participation rate for the Health Screening coming up and she said Valley County is the highest participating County of all.

She said the vision rates stayed the same but the dental went up a little. She said that a change in the dental policy is that if anyone signs up, they must sign up during the enrollment time and cannot drop it during the year. When an employee signs up they have to stay on for two years, and if someone drops their dental during the enrollment time, than they cannot enroll again for at least two years.

Mrs. Walling said that she would like to meet with those nine Valley County employees that were enrolled on the CM1000 plan to explain to them the new plan so they are comfortable with the change. She said she would check her calendar and set up a date for when she can come back. The enrollment period is May through June.

Mrs. Walling left the office.

Jed Kirkland submitted his final plat for the Kirkland Subdivision Estates. He discussed some changes he made and said he addressed all the concerns brought up. He said that the Corps of Engineer wants them to put a fence between the subdivision and their property. He said that the question earlier about the market value was based on the appraisal market value done by the Department of Revenue's Office for the park land and that the Kirklands want to pay money in lieu of putting in a public park in the subdivision.

Mr. Kirkland said he left a copy of everything with René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, and if the Commissioners had any questions to contact him and he left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt will be attending the Public Meeting in Hinsdale regarding the Milk River Road Bridge replacement.

Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, visited with the Commissioners.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

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

ATTEST:

  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**APRIL 2, 2014**

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

Commissioner Reinhardt submitted the following minutes for the public hearing that was held in Hinsdale last night.

"Pursuant to notice published in the local newspaper, at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Reinhardt held a public hearing at the Hinsdale Public School for the purpose to obtain public comments regarding the proposed Milk River Road Bridge improvements.

Those present included Valley County Commissioner Dave Reinhardt; Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor; Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator; Karl Yakawich, GreatWest Engineering; and Lonnie Knutson and Dale Leatherberry, both from Hinsdale.

Mr. Yakawich handed out a document outlining the grant application process and the engineering report summary of the project to rehabilitate the Milk River Road Bridge. Valley County will be applying for a Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) Grant which does required a 50% match from the County.

Commissioner Reinhardt asked for any questions or comments from those present and the following comments were submitted;

- A resident noted the bridge received significant traffic from the Malta Irrigation Company and Malta Quality Feeds. Both businesses service several of the adjacent agricultural properties.
- A resident noted the bridge is located on the Hinsdale School Bus Route.
- It was stated that letters of support are encouraged.
- Wayne Waarvik confirmed the roadway north of the bridge overtops when high flows of water are observed in Beaver Creek.
- Mr. Waarvik mentioned that when traffic passes over the bridge the old truss structure tends to bounce and move significantly.
- Commissioner Reinhardt mentioned that he would approach several additional individuals to write letters of support for the project.
- Commissioner Reinhardt mentioned that the decision in accepting the Environmental Assessment would occur tomorrow morning at the Valley County Commissioner's Office.
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The hearing was adjourned at 7:45 p.m."

The Commissioners left the office to attend a meeting with Bill Gaffney, Valley County Computer Technician, updating them on his plans for Valley County's computer services.

Becky Erickson, Glasgow Mayor, and Alecia Doke, Glasgow Water Clerk, joined the meeting.

Chairman Pippin said that the Valley County Detention Center is being run as a business and is an investment made by Valley County. He said there is a different type of people showing up in this area due to the influx from the oil workers in North Dakota and law enforcement is having to deal with them.

Mrs. Erickson said that the letter put in the paper by Commissioner Reinhardt explaining the running of the Detention Center was excellent.

Mrs. Doke gave an update on the Glasgow levee. She said that there is an individual from the Omaha, NE, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Office coming to look at the levee and she will be giving a presentation about the levee maintenance. The City has developed a Swift Plan to get the levee to be compliant. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Erickson said that one of the first things the City has to do is to kill the vegetation on the dike and that will take two full time employees about two months to accomplish.

Chairman Pippin suggested they include Cam Shipp, Valley County Sanitarian, in their process.

Mrs. Erickson said that they received a letter just this past week from the Corps that listed eighteen different items with the dike that they have to respond to. She said this process will be quite costly to the City and very time consuming. If they do not get it in acceptable condition to the Corps, than the South side of the City of Glasgow will have to get flood insurance for all those homes in that flood zone which would be very costly to the property owners.

Chairman Pippin asked if there was some grant money for rural areas available to assist the City. Chairman Pippin said he would get her a name to contact that may have some grant information for her. Discussion followed.

The group discussed the current status of the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline and the proposed man camps. Mrs. Erickson asked that the Commissioners keep her updated and let her know of any new information as it comes in and if the Keystone people come back she would like to meet with them also. The Commissioners agreed to forward that information on to her office.

Mrs. Erickson said that the City is working on an agreement with Priority Communications regarding the tower they have on the City water tower. She said that as far as they know there was never anything in writing, only a hand shake that Priority would have exclusive rights to the water tower and anyone wanting to use that space.

Chairman Pippin said that the antenna the County wants to put up is for emergency services to use and it benefits all of Valley County to have that service. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Erickson said that she would keep the Commissioners apprised of what happens with this.

Mrs. Erickson said that she would like to share various training opportunities for her employees and Valley County employees. She said they are considering having an individual come in to train and she would like the County to be involved if they would like. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that he would like to have an updated Glasgow City Ordinance Book if there has been any updates since 2003. He said there is a book here from 2003.

Mrs. Erickson said she would check for him and get back to them.

Mrs. Erickson asked how the County was coming along in tearing down the warehouse along the railroad tracks.

Chairman Pippin said they are still in the process of working with the railroad to get that done. He said that Burlington Northern may provide some funding to assist with the asbestos removal. He said the asbestos removal could cost up to \$20,000.

Mrs. Erickson asked if the City could help them with any of that and Chairman Pippin said maybe help with the hauling of trash material when they begin the demolition project.

Mrs. Erickson said the Glasgow City Growth Policy was going to be accepted at the City Council meeting next week.

The Commissioners thanked Mrs. Erickson and Mrs. Doke for coming in and they left the office.

Bill Gaffney, Valley County Computer Technician, joined the meeting to visit with the Commissioners about the process involved when the Clerk of Court's office has any problems with their computer system. He said the computers in that office are on the State service and he or Valley County do not provide any support for them.

Mr. Gaffney left the office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign the Montana Department of Commerce Treasure State Endowment Program Environmental Assessment for the Milk River Road Bridge Over Beaver Creek (L53015001+0001), seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it unanimously passed. This states that an Environmental Impact Statement study is not required.

Commissioner Peterson left the office.

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, visited with the Commissioner about the easement that was submitted by the Department of the Army for the Fort Peck roads. He said that he would not want the County to sign this document because it requires a great deal of maintenance by the Road Department and other requirements that he did not think the County wanted to take on.

Chairman Pippin said that they gave Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, a copy to review and the Commissioners would review it more closely and Mr. Waarvik left the office.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator, informed the Board that the Long Run Fire Department has asked if the Road Department would tear down a portion of an old building at that location and the Commissioners said they would allow them to do that if the Road Department has the time.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office.

Norm Girard, Valley County Museum Board member, joined the meeting. He said that he had just attended a Museum Board meeting and they want to know if the Commissioners would be able to add another \$9,000 to their budget to cover the utility expenses if or when, they construct a new building for the museum.

Commissioner Peterson said that the Museum would have to make that request when they are doing the next year's budgets which will begin in a couple months. He said that they have had several requests from a variety of departments requesting additional funds and all the requests will be considered when they work on next year's budgets.

Dora Jean Beil, Airport Commission Secretary/Health Department, visited with Commissioner Peterson about the Airport budget.

Pat Kelly, St. Marie, visited with Commissioner Peterson and asked if there were any questions regarding the bankruptcy that he could help answer. Mr. Kelly said that it would benefit all of Valley County if he was granted the bankruptcy and he left the office.

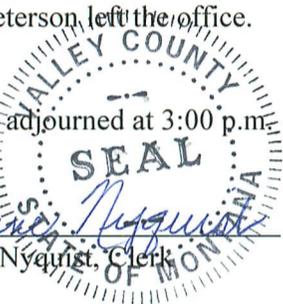
Clay Berger visited with Commissioner Peterson about the Health Department and some other issues.

Commissioner Peterson left the office.

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

ATTEST:

Lyme Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

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**APRIL 3, 2014**

Commissioner Peterson was in the office for a while in the morning.

Chairman Pippin will be hosting the Community Meetings today in St. Marie and Lustre.

**APRIL 4, 2014**

Chairman Pippin was in the office for a while in the morning and said he had about twenty people attend the St. Marie Community meeting and only three at the Lustre Community meeting yesterday.

**APRIL 7, 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.

Pat Gunderson, Glasgow Field Office Director, joined the meeting.

Mr. Gunderson said they are planning on burning off the 375 acres along the Fossum Road as the beginning steps to try and control Crested Wheatgrass. He said that this is the first step in the program, after it is burned off in the spring, they will continue to spray it, killing all vegetation through this summer and replant native grasses next spring in hopes of getting a good stand of other, native and more beneficial grasses as a food source. He said they realize they will never be able to kill the crested, but hope they can get some control over it allowing better grasses to grow.

Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Gunderson if he had contacted the Valley County Dispatch about getting a burn permit and Mr. Gunderson said yes, and all they have to do is call Dispatch the day they plan to burn. Discussion followed.

Mr. Gunderson said the Antelope and Brazil Creek Watershed Report for 2013 was completed and he submitted that document for the Commissioners to review. He said that the BLM is hoping to start work on the repair of the TC Dam sometime in May.

Mr. Gunderson said there was a meeting last week in Malta with the local weed districts and some Commissioners and Rick Stellflug and Stone Tihista from the Valley County Weed District were there. He said this meeting was regarding the Milk River Watershed MOU with the four local counties. He said the meeting was very productive and they discussed what was expected and the cost share which requires a one to one match. He said Blaine County was in charge of administering the funding and there is a huge deficient in the County's' matching funds, over \$200,000 short. He said the documentation indicating the match amounts and what has been paid is being gathered, to document get the matching funds that need to be gathered. He said BLM has submitted \$279,000 in grant money and there has not been much match money submitted to meet that amount. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Gunderson if BLM is working with the American Prairie Foundation(APF) and Chairman Pippin reviewed some advertised plans of that organization and said he felt that this group is trying to eliminate the rancher in Valley County.

Mr. Gunderson said that there has been nothing said to him that indicates that the BLM supports this group or their views, but he cannot say anything about the organization's plans. He said unless it is being discussed at a much higher level, he has never heard anything in support of this group's belief, but the BLM can't stop the APF from purchasing land from the public. Discussion followed.

Mr. Gunderson said that in Phillips County the Wiederick Ranch was purchased by the APF and went to the BLM and asked for a change of class of livestock. When anyone asks for a change of class on BLM land, an environmental study has to be done which is a public document that the public can comment on. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin gave Mr. Gunderson a copy of the amended Valley County Resource Use Plan. Discussion followed.

Mr. Gunderson left the office.

Bob Steele, Maintenance Supervisor, and Ron Canen, Maintenance, visited with Chairman Pippin about some maintenance issues.

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

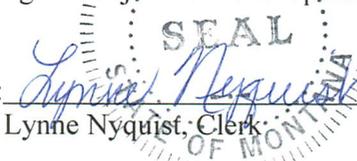
Commissioner Peterson left the office.

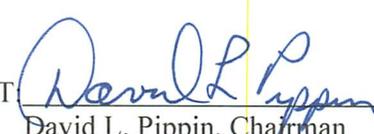
Ron Stoneberg visited with Chairman Pippin.

Chairman Pippin and Commissioner Reinhardt left the office to participate in the Quarterly Jail Inspection with Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

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

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**APRIL 8, 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 Reinhardt stopped in for a short while in the morning before leaving with Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, to go to Billings.

Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier, and Stan Ozark, KLTZ/Mix 93, 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 it was noted that there was an addition of considering a Gravel Agreement to purchase more gravel from the Copenhaver Gravel Pit.

There was no public comment submitted when asked.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for Sally Irwin as a Clerk for the Clerk of Court's Office effective March 31, 2014. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Beatrice A. Stellflug as a temporary, part-time Clerk for the Pioneer Museum beginning April 1, 2014, at \$9.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Margaret A. Markle as a temporary, part-time Clerk for the Pioneer Museum beginning April 7, 2014, at \$11.61 per hour. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed.

The next item on the agenda was Resolution No. 11-2014 Accepting the Findings of the Environmental Assessment and Determining that an Environmental Impact Statement is not Necessary for the Milk River Road Bridge Replacement.

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

**RESOLUTION #11-2014**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FINDINGS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND DETERMINING THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR THE MILK RIVER ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Valley County has completed an assessment to identify potential environmental impacts of the Milk River Road Bridge Replacement;

**WHEREAS**, the draft Environmental Assessment was made available for public comment and the findings were presented and reviewed at a public meeting;

**WHEREAS**, no substantive public comment was received;

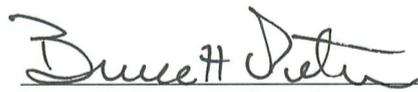
**WHEREAS**, Valley County has determined that the Milk River Road Bridge Replacement project will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment and accordingly, Valley County has determined an Environmental Impact Statement is not necessary;

That Valley County adopts the final Environmental Assessment for the Milk River Road Bridge Replacement project.

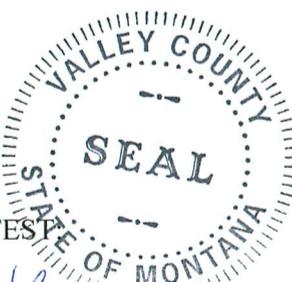
**PASSED and ADOPTED** by the Board of the Valley County Commissioners this \_\_\_\_\_ day of 8th April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

  
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David L. Pippin, Chairman

  
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Bruce H. Peterson, Member

(absent)  
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Dave Reinhardt, Member

  
ATTEST  
  
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Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

Chairman Pippin said that there was a public meeting held in Hinsdale and Commissioner Reinhardt attended. There was no one in attendance that was against this project.

The next item on the agenda was the Resolution No. 12-2014 Resolution Increasing Fees for Reimbursement of Costs Associated with Tax Sales and Tax Deed Proceedings Amending a Portion of Resolution No. 12-2014

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to execute the following Resolution, seconded by Chairman Pippin and it passed:

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-2014**  
**RESOLUTION INCREASING FEES FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS ASSOCIATED**  
**WITH TAX SALES AND TAX DEED PROCEEDINGS**  
**AMMENDING A PORTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 7-2013**

**WHEREAS**, Montana Code Annotated [MCA] Title 15, Chapters 17 and 18, authorizes counties to assess all costs associated with tax sale and tax deed proceedings against the property subject to the tax lien; and

**WHEREAS**, MCA § 15-17-121 defines costs for the purposes of such assessment against the tax lien property; and

**WHEREAS**, MCA § 15-18-211 defines costs for the purposes of such assessment against the tax deed property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners established, as authorized by law, a fee schedule for reimbursement of its costs incurred in the tax lien, tax sale, tax sale assignment and redemption process, the tax deed proceedings, as well as preparation of tax deeds, quitclaim deeds, deeds of conveyance and realty transfer certificates on Resolution No 43-2003;

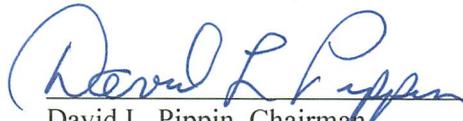
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, due to increased costs of services, the fees and processing fees will be as follows:

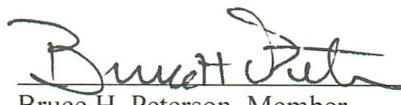
1. There is hereby establishing the following fee schedule for reimbursement of the County's costs associated with tax sales and tax deed proceedings:
 

Advertisement for tax sale	\$ 4.00 per parcel, plus actual cost
Tax Sale Certificate for other than county	\$75.00
Tax Sale Assignment	\$75.00
Tax Sale or Assignment Redemption	\$75.00
Research records to identify persons entitled to notice, notice preparation, mailing, publication costs, etc.	\$50.00 per parcel, plus actual costs
Tax Deed and Realty Transfer Certificate	\$25.00
Deed of Conveyance and Realty Transfer Certificate	\$25.00
Quitclaim Deed and Realty Transfer Certificate	\$25.00
Administrative Fee for Assignment Redemption or Tax Sale	\$25.00
  
2. This resolution supersedes all prior resolutions in conflict herewith.
  
3. This resolution is effective May 1, 2014.

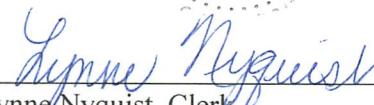
**DATED** this 8th day of April, 2014

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

  
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 David L. Pippin, Chairman

  
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 Bruce H. Peterson, Member

ATTEST:

  
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 Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

(absent)  
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 David Reinhardt, Member

Chairman Pippin said this documents an increase in the fees allowed to collect by the Treasurer's Office for the services associated with the Tax Lien and Tax Deed process.

The Library's request for \$16,000 to help with a remodel project was next on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that the Library Director had met with the Commissioners and asked for some assistance from the County for their project to remodel the children's area in the Library. Mrs. Wilson had estimated it would cost about \$28,000 and believed she had grants and donations for all but the \$16,000. Discussion followed.



Commissioner Peterson said that he had spoken with Commissioner Reinhardt earlier and he was in support of giving the Library the funds for this project. Commissioner Peterson said that he would like to put some conditions on the motion, one being that it be established that this is a onetime donation for this year only. Mrs. Wilson had requests in for grants and donations and so they are not sure of the exact amount needed.

After some discussion it was agreed to wait until Commissioner Peterson meets with Mrs. Wilson and gets a more accurate cost, grants and donation monies, and what funds are really needed. No action will be taken at this time on this request.

The next item to be discussed on the agenda was the Highway 2 Association Membership dues.

Commissioner Peterson said that he did not want to support this group who is promoting to build a four lane highway across northern Montana and he did not believe there would ever be enough funds available to build this highway at approximately \$600 million. He said he believed there are other economic development projects that could use the funds.

No action will be taken.

The AT&T Lease Agreement was next on the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to sign the Memorandum of Lease with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, granting them a lease for the purpose of installing, operating and maintaining a communication facility and other improvements on the described Valley County property. The term will be for ten years at \$750 per year with a 3% increase each year. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion carried.

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

Commissioner Peterson said that he wanted to remind Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, that the auditors had wanted them to meet with the Commissioners on a monthly basis when they brought this report in.

The added agenda item to purchase more gravel from the Copenhaver Pit was the last item up for consideration.

Chairman Pippin said that the County wants to purchase an additional 100,000 yards of gravel from the Copenhaver Pit, and Russell Copenhaver has agreed to sell more to the County at the same price as before, 50¢ per cubic yard of gravel. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to purchase an additional 100,000 cubic yards of gravel, at 50¢ per cubic yard, from Russell Copenhaver, and agreeing to gravel and maintain the Vernon Copenhaver Road. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it carried.

Chairman Pippin discussed his views and findings to Mrs. Davidson regarding the American Prairie Foundation and their plans for Eastern Montana to purchase land with the intent to put free roaming Bison on this purchased land. The majority of this land is located in Phillips and Valley County. He asked Mrs. Davidson if she would consider putting an article in the paper regarding this matter and she said she wanted to gather more information for an article on this issue.

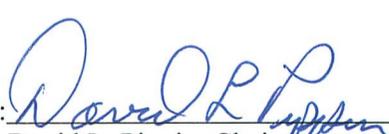
Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Ozark left the office.

Commissioner Peterson left the office to go to the Library and visit with Emily Wilson, Library Director, regarding her remodel project and get more information.

Commissioner Peterson hosted the Community Meetings in Frazer and Nashua this evening.

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

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman



**APRIL 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 present.

Marv Bethea, St. Marie, visited with the Commissioners about the St. Marie Development Corporation bankruptcy case and the property Mr. Bethea owns that he has received Notices of Tax Deed documents.

**APRIL 10, 2014**

Chairman Pippin attended the Great Northern Development Council Board meeting today in Wolf Point.

**APRIL 11, 2014**

Chairman Pippin flew to Billings to attend the Essential Air Services meeting. Cape Air provided the airline tickets to Billings for this meeting.

**APRIL 14, 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.

Vern Brown from Park Grove joined the meeting.

Mr. Brown said that the Montana Department of Transportation (DOT) wants to increase the width of the highway that goes through Park Grove and the property owners there are afraid the speed limit through Park Grove will be increased too. He said the people of Park Grove are upset and want to know how they can stop the DOT.

Chairman Pippin said that he believed Park Grove was a subdivision and the DOT would have to go through that process to increase their Right-of-Way to widen the highway through Park Grove. He said he would get a copy of the Park Grove Subdivision Plat for Mr. Brown which may give them more information. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that the home owners of Park Grove could put in a request to the Commissioners to reduce the speed limit and the Commissioners then make a request to the DOT to do a speed study at that location and request a reduction in the speed limit through Park Grove.

Mr. Brown said he would discuss this with the property owners and return later to get the information that Chairman Pippin will gather for him on the Park Grove Subdivision and he left the office.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Sheriff Meier said that he was at some meetings last week for the Sheriff's and Peace Officers and was told the State may be interested in housing some prisoners at the Valley County Detention Center when Miles City is done housing here and some cells space becomes available. Discussion followed.

Sheriff Meier left the office.

Pursuant to the Call for Proposals published in the local newspaper, at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Pippin opened sealed bids for congregate and home delivered meal bids for the elderly for July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015. One bid was submitted:

Park Grove Bar & Café:           \$9.00 per plate

Chairman Pippin said this bid would be considered and action taken at a later date.

Jenny Reinhardt, Valley County Treasurer, updated the Commissioners on the current tax collection progress. She said she has only two delinquent 2011 personal property taxes and is doing very well with the collection of all taxes if you eliminate those located in St. Marie.

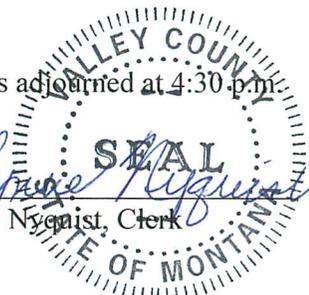
Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

Commissioner Peterson hosted the Community Meeting in Fort Peck today at 5:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk



ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "David L. Pippin", is written over a horizontal line.

APRIL 15, 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.

Pursuant to the Request for Bid, Chairman Pippin opened sealed bids at 10:15 a.m. for the Valley County Weed and Glasgow Irrigation District bid for chemicals listed for the 2014 season. These chemicals will be delivered free of charge to the Weed Shop upon request. There was one chemical bid submitted from Jim Gordon, Crop Production Services.

Pursuant to the Request for Bid, Chairman Pippin opened sealed bids at 10:25 a.m. for the Valley County Weed District aerial spot spraying and GPS mapping of approximately 400 acres scattered over an area of approximately 200 square miles in Valley County for the 2014 season. There was one bid submitted from AV8-ORR Helicopter Services Inc., Hamilton, Montana.

These bids will be taken under consideration.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office to visit with Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney.

Jenny Reinhardt, and Brenda Anderson, Valley County Treasurer, joined the meeting.

Mrs. Reinhardt submitted a document showing some past history regarding the properties located at St. Marie for future reference.

Mrs. Reinhardt reviewed the process they go through to balance cash collected in their office. At the end of each month an individual from the Valley County Clerk & Recorder's Office comes in and counts the cash drawers to reconcile the cash balances. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Reinhardt said all credit card payments from customers are deposited directly into the County's bank account. The service fees for the use of the credit cards, 3%, is an additional charge to the customer at the time the credit card payment is made. Discussion followed.

Mr. Reinhardt returned to the office.

Mrs. Reinhardt reviewed the reconcile process her office goes through to balance all accounts with the various entities that Valley County collects funds for such as the various schools, Special Districts and etc. She went through the various documents that indicates the cash balances and the process of cross checking to verify cash balances.

Mrs. Reinhardt said that their office is going to need an additional part-time employee, maybe 25 hours per week when Mrs. Reinhardt is done, probably by August. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Reinhardt and Mrs. Anderson left the office.

Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend the Valley County Mental Health Local Advisory Council (LAC) meeting over the noon hour today.

Chairman Pippin signed the Certificate for Fuel Tax Exemption for Ezzie's Wholesale to exempt Valley County from paying the fuel tax on fuel that is purchased from them.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office from his meeting.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt attended the Refuse District #1 Board meeting this afternoon.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.



ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

APRIL 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.

Vicky Wetz, Council on Aging (COA) Supervisor, submitted a bid she had received from the Outpost Café in Opheim for the senior citizens congregate meals there.

Commissioner Peterson and Mrs. Strommen left the office to attend the Safety Committee meeting from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Bill Gaffney, Valley County Computer Technician, joined the meeting.

Mr. Gaffney handed out a spreadsheet which documented all the technical programs that are currently being used by Valley County. Chairman Pippin has been the individual that people contact when there is an issue with the various programs and now that Chairman Pippin will be leaving the end of December they need to decide who will take that role. They discussed a couple of different options.

Mr. Gaffney said that he wanted the Commissioners to designate who is responsible for the technical support of the various programs, who would be fiscally responsible for any maintenance and repairs of these programs, and who is to be contacted when problems arise with the various programs. He needed to know what programs his group will be responsible for to schedule for the next year. The group reviewed the spreadsheet and made the designations of responsibilities.

Marv Bethea, St. Marie, joined the meeting.

Chairman Pippin said he wanted to get the telephone system issues all addressed and completed before he leaves. He said that when an issue arises, he phones Jayme Branson, Cerium Networks, and Mr. Branson gets onto our telephone system remotely and fixes whatever needs to be done. Discussion followed.

Mr. Gaffney and Mr. Bain left the office.

Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier joined the meeting.

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

Chairman Pippin asked if there were any additions and/or deletions to the agenda and there were none submitted.

Chairman Pippin asked for public comment.

Mr. Bethea asked if he should wait for the agenda item to come up or would now be the time to voice his comments.

Chairman Pippin told Mr. Bethea that now would be the time to voice his comments.

Mr. Bethea said the last time he met with the Commissioners he had two requests, one was the tax deed issue and the other being the St. Marie Development Corp. bankruptcy. He said that he has only recently discovered that there was another alternative. There are three choices now, leave it in Chapter 11 under the current management, convert to a Chapter 7 and hope a Trustee was appointed who would do something with it and three being to dismiss it and it will not change anything.

The other alternative that he just recently discovered, was to have a Chapter 11 Trustee appointed which would leave the bankruptcy in Chapter 11, and appoint a Trustee who would oversee the Chapter 11 procedures, but remove the current management. Mr. Bethea said he believes that is an option that should be looked deeper into.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pippin authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Jim Wilson as a temporary, full-time Laborer for the Refuse District beginning April 15, 2014, at \$13.50 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pippin authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Sally Irwin as a permanent, full-time Clerk for the Treasurer's Office beginning April 7, 2014, at \$14.22 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pippin authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Justin Douziech as a permanent, part-time Driver for the Transit beginning April 14, 2014, at \$11.24 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pippin authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Taryn J. Stebleton as a permanent, full-time Clerk for the Clerk & Recorder's Office beginning April 14, 2014, at \$13.49 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pippin authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Carol Ann Walton as a permanent, full-time Clerk for the Clerk & Recorder's Office beginning April 14, 2014, at \$13.49 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was Resolution No. 13-2014 - Resolution Authorizing an Increase in the Extension Services Budget, #2290 for Unanticipated Grant Money.

Chairman Pippin said this was a grant for a Montana Arthritis Program of \$4,000 that was awarded to the Extension Office and this will allow an increase in their budget giving them the spending authority for this revenue.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-2014**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE**  
**IN THE EXTENSION SERVICES BUDGET, #2290**

**WHEREAS**, the Extension Services has received unanticipated Grant money for Extension Fund. The Grant name is Montana Arthritis Program; and

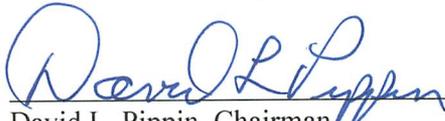
**WHEREAS**, the budget must be increased for receipt of said funds during Fiscal Year 2013/14;

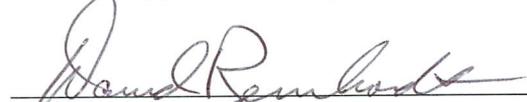
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners hereby authorizes a budget increase for the Extension Services budget in the amount of \$4,000 for Fiscal Year 2013/14 as follows:

2290-42-450412-204	\$3,000
2290-42-450412-300	\$1,000
Revenue: 2290-334003	\$4,000

**DATED** this 15th day of April, 2014.

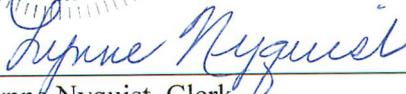
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

  
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David L. Pippin, Chairman

  
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David Reinhardt, Member

  
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Bruce H. Peterson, Member



  
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Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

The next item on the agenda was the congregate meal bids for senior citizens.

Chairman Pippin said the County had received two bids, one from the Park Grove Bar & Café and one from the Outpost Café in Opheim.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to accept the bids to provide congregate and home delivered meals for the elderly for July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015 submitted from the Park Grove Bar & Café at \$9.00 per plate, and from the Outpost Café in Opheim at \$9.50 per plate, The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

Letters will be sent to these establishments informing them of their awards.

The Library's request for \$16,000 to help with a remodel project was the next item on the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to provide a maximum of \$16,000 to the City-County Library as a onetime donation for their remodel project for the children's area at the Library, if there are other grants or donations received, Valley County will pay the balance needed for this project up to the maximum of \$16,000 which will be paid out of PILT funds. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson said that Emily Wilson, Library Director, said that they may need some additional help in four to six weeks when the new shelving comes in and has asked if the County could provide some labor during that time and the Commissioners were in agreement to help.

Valley County Weed District bids was the next item to consider. These bids were opened Monday morning and there was only one bid submitted for each bid request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to accept the bid submitted by Crop Production Services to provide the various chemicals for the 2014 season. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to accept the bid submitted by AV8-ORR Helicopter Services, LLC, to provide aerial spot spraying and GPS mapping of approximately 400 acres, scattered over an area of approximately 200 square miles in Valley County, for the 2014 season at a cost of \$1,000 per hour of spraying and no additional charge for the GPS mapping. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

Letters will be sent to these bidders informing them of their award.

The pledged securities were the next item on the agenda for action.

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

**FIRST COMMUNITY BANK, GLASGOW  
March 31, 2014**

Federal Home Loan Bank	Receipt #305005	1.00%	11/21/2018	\$500,000.00
Federal Home Loan Bank	Receipt #26021	2.50%	06/13/2014	1,000,000.00
Federal Home Loan Bank	Receipt #26022	.87%	12/12/201	1,000,000.00
Federal National Mtg. Assn.	Receipt #10881	2.50%	05/15/2014	500,000.00
Federal Home Loan Mrtg. Corp.	Receipt #306902	2.00%	04/29/2019	\$500,000.00
Fannie Mae Unsecured Note Call	Receipt #10860	2.00%	04/17/2017	500,000.00
Fannie Mae Unsecured Note Call	Receipt #10878	1.45%	04/17/2019	500,000.00
Federal National Mtg. Assn.	Receipt #10880	2.00%	04/30/2020	500,000.00
Federal National Mtg. Assn.	Receipt #27881	1.13%	09/06/2017	500,000.00
Federal National Mtg. Assn.	Receipt #27680	.88%	08/28/2017	500,000.00
Federal National Mtg. Assn.		.70%	12/26/2017	500,000.00
Federal National Mtg. Assn.	Receipt #301466	1.70%	09/28/2020	500,000.00
Federal Home Loan Mtg. Corp.	Receipt #302891	2.32%	10/25/2018	1,000,000.00
FNMA GTD Pass Thru Pool	Receipt #302894	2.50%	12/01/2022	1,085,000.00
Federal Home Loan Mtg. Corp.	Receipt #302892	1.88%	05/25/2019	500,000.00
FNMA GTD Pass Thru Pool	Receipt #302895	2.50%	04/01/2023	1,500,000.00
FNMA GTD Pass Thru Pool	Receipt #302897	2.50%	06/01/2033	500,000.00
FNMA GTD Pass Thru Pool	Receipt #302896	2.00%	04/01/2028	500,000.00
FNMA GTD Pass Thru Pool	Receipt #302898	3.00%	06/01/2033	<u>1,000,000.00</u>
			<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$13,085,000.00</b>

The next item up on the agenda was the St. Marie issues.

Chairman Pippin said this is what Mr. Bathea's comments were regarding earlier.

Chairman Pippin said the bankruptcy hearing that was scheduled for this week for the St. Marie Development Corp. was postponed until May 20, 2014. There has been an objection filed by Pat Kelly's attorney. Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, has recommended a Chapter 7 which he believes would do more good for Valley County because it would clear up a lot of the titles at St. Marie.

Commissioner Peterson said before any decision are made he thought they should discuss this new option with Mr. Murnion that was brought forward by Mr. Bethea's to possibly going into a Chapter 11 with a Trustee appointed.

Commissioner Reinhardt said it just seems they keep dragging this out further and further.

Chairman Pippin said he would like to talk to Mr. Murnion and see what his recommendation is and have Mr. Murnion send a letter to the bankruptcy court as soon as possible.

Mr. Bethea said he had a discussion with the U.S. Trustee yesterday and the Trustee confirmed that if the Courts appoint a Trustee who will take this case, than it is more than likely the case will be thrown out and dismissed which does not resolve anything but leave everything as it currently sits with the St. Marie Development property.

The Commissioners agreed to take this new information to Mr. Murnion and have him make a final recommendation and get a letter sent to the bankruptcy courts and be done with it.

Commissioner Peterson asked Mr. Bethea the name of the individual he spoke with and Mr. Bethea said it was Dan McKay, a U.S. Trustee.

Chairman Pippin said these issues at St. Marie have been ongoing for several years and it would be nice to be able to resolve this once and for all.

Resolution #14-2014 - A Resolution Accepting the Findings of the Environmental Assessment and Determining that an Environmental Impact Statement is Not Necessary for the Milk River Road Bridge Replacement was the next item on the agenda.

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

**RESOLUTION #14-2014**  
**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF TSEP APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, Valley County is applying to the Montana Department of Commerce for financial assistance from the Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) to replace the Milk River Road Bridge over Beaver Creek;

**WHEREAS**, Valley County has the legal jurisdiction and authority to construct, finance, and maintain the proposed bridge improvements;

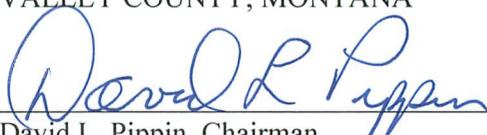
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Valley County agrees to comply with all State laws and regulations and the requirements described in the TSEP Application Guidelines and those that will be described in the TSEP Project Administration Manual;

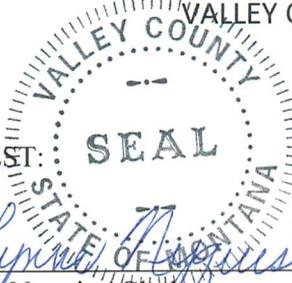
**That**, Valley County commits to provide the amount of matching funds as proposed in the TSEP Application; and

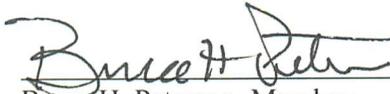
**That**, David L. Pippin, Valley County Commission Chair, is authorized to submit this application to the Montana Department of Commerce, on behalf of Valley County, to act on its behalf and to provide such additional information as may be required.

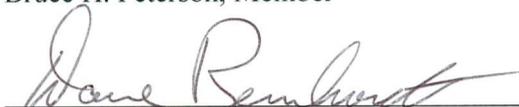
**PASSED and ADOPTED** by the Board of the Valley County Commissioners this 16th day of April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

  
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David L. Pippin, Chairman

ATTEST:    
 Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

   
 Bruce H. Peterson, Member

   
 Dave Reinhardt, Member

Commissioner Reinhardt said that a public meeting was held in Hinsdale April 1st and there was no one in opposition of this project.

The next item on the agenda was Resolution No. 15-2014 - Resolution to Adopt the Final Preliminary Engineering Report to Complete Bridge Improvements.

This Resolution cannot be adopted until after the public meeting that is scheduled for later this morning. There will be no action taken at this time.

The Resolution to Adopt the Final Bridge Evaluation and Capital Improvement Plan was the next item on the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to execute the following Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it unanimously carried.

**RESOLUTION # 16-2014**  
**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FINAL BRIDGE EVALUATION AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, Valley County desires to have a Bridge Evaluation and Capital Improvement Plan in place; and

**WHEREAS**, a Bridge Evaluation and Capital Improvement Plan has been prepared by Great West Engineering and submitted to the County; and

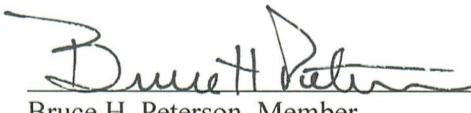
**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Valley County Montana find the Bridge Evaluation and Capital Improvement Plan prepared by Great West Engineering to be appropriate and sufficient for the County's purposes.

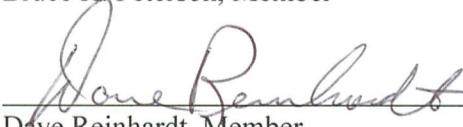
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 2014 Valley County Bridge Evaluation and Capital Improvement Plan prepared by Great West Engineering shall be and is hereby approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** by the Board of the Valley County Commissioners this 16th day of April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

   
 David L. Pippin, Chairman

   
 Bruce H. Peterson, Member

   
 Dave Reinhardt, Member

   
 ATTEST:   
   
 Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

Commissioner Peterson said that the he wanted to make a note that this project will not be done unless there is a funding source, so even though the application will be submitted and may be awarded, Valley County must match 50% and that funding may not be available so the project would not move forward.

Chairman Pippin said that he did not believe the County is obligated even if they are awarded the grant. He said the grant money will not be available until 2016 - 2019.

Mr. Bethea asked if the Commissioners had made a decision on his request for a six month extension on his property at St. Marie that is currently in the Tax Deed process. He said he had thought that would be included on agenda item number nine, St Marie issues.

Chairman Pippin apologized for not addressing that request.

Commissioner Peterson said that he was opposed to granting that request because it would open up a precedence that he didn't want to start.

Commissioner Reinhardt said they have had other requests like this and the Commissioners did not change their plans so he did not see any reason they would do it now.

Chairman Pippin asked if there was a motion to extend the tax deed process for Mr. Bethea.

No motion was given and there was no action taken to grant Mr. Bethea's request.

Mr. Bethea left the office.

Pursuant to notice published in the local newspaper, at 11:00 a.m. the Board held a public hearing in the office of the Valley County Commissioners for the purpose to obtain public comments regarding the Milk River Road Bridge improvements.

Those present included Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier; Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator; Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator; Bill Lloyd, GreatWest Engineering; Commissioners David Pippin, Bruce Peterson and Dave Reinhardt and recording secretary, Joanne Strommen.

Mr. Lloyd handed out a document outlining the grant application process and the engineering report summary of the project to rehabilitate the Milk River Road Bridge. Valley County will be applying for a Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) Grant which does required a 50% match from the County.

Chairman Pippin asked for any questions or comments from those present. There were no questions, comments or adverse opposition from anyone present.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that there was a public meeting held in Hinsdale, April 1, 2014, and there was no adverse opposition at that meeting either.

At 11:15 a.m. the public hearing was adjourned.

Mr. Lloyd met with Mrs. Davidson to give her more details of the proposed project and the group left the office.

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

**RESOLUTION #15-2014**  
**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FINAL PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT TO COMPLETE BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, Valley County, Montana has completed Preliminary Engineering Report (hereafter referred to as PER) for the Milk River Road Bridge over Beaver Creek;

**WHEREAS**, the PER has identified needs for this County bridge;

**WHEREAS**, the PER provides recommendations for improvements to this bridge;

**WHEREAS**, the PER provides recommendations for funding the recommended bridge improvements;

**WHEREAS**, Valley County, Montana has the legal jurisdiction and authority to construct, finance, operate and maintain the bridge system;

**WHEREAS**, Valley County, Montana held a public meeting, April 16, 2014, to review the PER, review the recommended funding alternatives, and solicit public comment and none appeared in opposition;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**, to adopt the Final PER and recommendations for the Milk River Road Bridge over Beaver Creek.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** by the Board of the Valley County Commissioners this 16th day of April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA



ATTEST: ---

*Lynne Nyquist*  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

*David L. Pippin*  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

*Bruce H. Peterson*  
Bruce H. Peterson, Member

*Dave Reinhardt*  
Dave Reinhardt, Member

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign the Agreement for Transfer of Entitlements for the Wokal Field /Glasgow International Airport, repaying the Cut Bank Airport for \$150,000 of entitlement funds given to Valley County in the past. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that Cut Bank's Entitlement funds were used by the airport several years ago and now Cut Bank wants to use Valley County's entitlement funds for their Airport so this document grants Cut Bank to apply for Valley County's Entitlement funds.

Commissioner Reinhardt left the office.

Commissioner Peterson left the office.

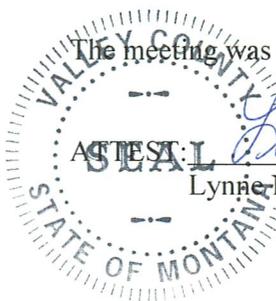
Clay Berger, FMDH Director of Emergency Medical Services, visited with Chairman Pippin about a the STAT Hangar lease and a variety of issues.

Bill Gaffney, Valley County Computer Technician, informed Chairman Pippin that he had discovered that Valley County did not purchased enough license fees for the Office program that are put on every computer in Valley County. He said originally 35 fees were paid, and now there are over 100 computers with this program on them. When he realized this discrepancy, he contacted the company and it will cost \$22,940.10 to get enough programs to cover the Valley County computers. He will be purchasing the newer program, Office STD 2013.

Mr. Gaffney said he has \$7,000 in his budget that could be used for this unexpected expense, and will need an additional \$15,940.10 to make the purchase.

Chairman Pippin said he would discuss this with the rest of the Board and let Mr. Gaffney know what is decided and Mr. Gaffney left the office.

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



ATTEST: ---

*Lynne Nyquist*  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST: ---

*David L. Pippin*  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**APRIL 17, 2014**

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

The Commissioners received a notice from Pam Walling, MACo Health Trust Marketing Coordinator, informing them that the rates for Dependent Life is going from \$1.50/\$10,000 to \$2.25/\$10,000 and other life insurance rates will stay the same.

The Commissioners received a letter from the Valley County Weed District requesting the use of the Valley County Event Center for May 15, 2014, and June 5, 2014, for some of their events. The Valley County Commissioners will send a letter asking the Valley County Event Center Board that those two days be reserved for the Weed District's events as per the Real Property Agreement-Memorandum of Understanding between the Hi-Line Youth Hockey Association Inc, and Valley County.

**APRIL 18, 2014**

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

APRIL 21, 2014

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

Commissioner Peterson left the office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Karla Thompson as a permanent, full-time Nurse for the Health Department, giving her an additional \$1.51 per hour during the interim time when she is filling in as the Health Department Director, from October 1, 2013, through April 30, 2014, when the new director begins employment. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion passed.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

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

**NOTICE OF SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY  
ACQUIRED BY VALLEY COUNTY**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, pursuant to order of the Board of Valley County Commissioners, will sell, **by sealed bid**, the following surplus property;

**2007 Ford Explorer, \$8,000 minimum bid, 130,585 miles, excellent tires, needs wheel bearings replaced.**

Sealed bids will be due by **5:00 p.m., Friday, May 9, 2014**, in the office of the Valley County Commissioners, 501 Court Square, Box #1, Glasgow, MT 59230.

The terms of the sale are as follows: cash, lawful money of the United States to be paid for property.

For further information contact the Valley County Commissioners at 228-6219.

The right to reject any and all bids is hereby expressly reserved.

**DATED** this 21st day of April, 2014, by order of the Board of County Commissioners.

  
David L. Pippin, Commissioners

(Publish April 23, 2014)

Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that at the last Refuse District #1 meeting the motion was made to appoint Jim Bailey as the site monitor in Opheim.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to appoint Jim Bailey as the Site Monitor for the Opheim Refuse Site effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and it carried.

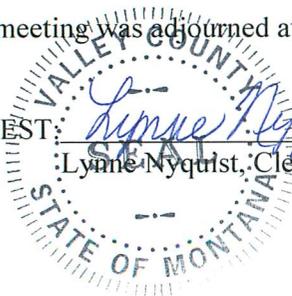
A letter will be sent to Mr. Bailey, informing him of this decision.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman



APRIL 22, 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.

Bill Nyby, Sheridan County Commissioners visited with the Commissioners.

Mr. Nyby and Commissioner Peterson left the office to attend the JPIA Regional Training held in the Valley County Courthouse today. This training has a variety of topics dealing with employees such as bullying in the workplace, hiring, discipline, termination and medical issue.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, and Darrell Beckner, Jail Supervisor, joined the meeting and visited with the Commissioners.

Commissioner Peterson returned to the office.

The Commissioners received a memorandum from Justice of the Peace Jim Wixson stating he was going to be out of the Office April 26 through May 2, 2014, to attend the Spring Conference for Judges in Whitefish, MT, so he will be calling in Christine Gamas as Substitute Judge in his absence.

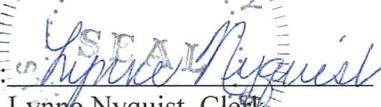
Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

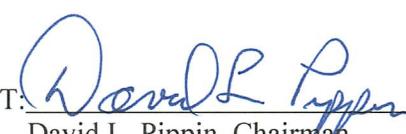
Commissioner Reinhardt left the office for the day.

Jerry and DeAnn Ketchum, St. Marie, visited with Chairman Pippin about some St. Marie issues.

Chairman Pippin left the office.

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

ATTEST:   
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:   
David L. Pippin, Chairman

**APRIL 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.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to pay \$15,940.10 to CDW Government, out of Local Option Tax, to purchase 90 licenses of MS GSA Office STD 2013, for the Valley County computers. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it carried unanimously.

There were a total of 90 licenses purchased at a total cost of \$22, 940.10, with the balance of the cost, \$7,000.00, coming from the Electronic Tech's budget.

Paul Tweten, Valley County Road Administrator; Rick Seiler, Valley County DES Coordinator; Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier; and Marv Bethea from St. Marie 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 none were given.

Chairman Pippin asked for public comment and told Mr. Bethea that this would be his opportunity to comment.

Mr. Bethea said that he has asked the U. S. Bankruptcy Court to appoint a Creditors Committee that would put documents together to review and assist in gathering information for the final decision on the St. Marie Development Corporation lawsuit. He said he has listed himself to be appointed on this Committee. He said this Committee would ask for a Chapter 11 Bankruptcy, with a Trustee appointed to oversee everything.

Commissioner Peterson asked who would appoint this Committee and Mr. Bethea said Dan McKay, U.S. Trustee for the Bankruptcy Court.

Mr. Bethea said it would be nice if one of the Commissioners were appointed to this Committee to represent Valley County. Discussion followed.

Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Chairman Pippin said that Mr. Murnion was here to address agenda item #6, St. Marie Development Corp. Bankruptcy Hearing so he would like to move that agenda item up so they can discuss it now and then Mr. Murnion can get back to his office.

Chairman Pippin said that currently the St. Marie Development Corporation has requested a Chapter 11 Bankruptcy, and Valley County has been encouraged to send a letter indicating how Valley County would like this handled. It has been suggested to ask the Bankruptcy Court to convert the bankruptcy to a Chapter 7 and liquidate all property within this corporation. He said that so much of the property has been taken out of the St. Marie Development Corporation name and are in several different entities, leaving very little property left. Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Murnion to give them some guidance on what he thinks should be done.

Mr. Murnion said that he spoke with Mr. Bethea yesterday about a solution and Mr. Murnion leans towards a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy which would appoint a Trustee to liquidate the property. He asked Mr. Bethea if that is what he wanted.

Mr. Bethea said no, because there is so much that has to be done prior to the liquidation. The main thing is to identify all the property that really should be included in this liquidation.

Mr. Murnion said that he believed that could be requested in the Chapter 7, and as long as the documentation is provided, so that the Trustee would not have to do the research. The property identification should be done and submitted to the Court.

Mr. Bethea said after speaking with the attorney for the Development Corporation and Mr. McKay, if this was converted to a Chapter 7, a Trustee would be appointed, and then, because of the mess involved, it would more than likely just be dismissed and then we would not get anything cleared up and be back to square one.

Mr. Bethea said a Chapter 11 would allow the Corporation to stay active and the Trustee could work with a dually appointed, or elected, St. Marie Development Corporation Stockholders Board and change the current structure of management, which is not adequate right now.

Chairman Pippin verified that a Chapter 7 would not lose any rights to exercise the tax deed process for Valley County.

Mr. Bethea said that when he spoke with the U.S. Trustee it was recommended to put a time limit on the appointment of the Chapter 11 Trustee which seems favorable so it doesn't drag on forever, with a cut-off date forcing a liquidation after that date. He said hopefully there would be enough time then to identify and bring in the properties that should be included in the actions in addition to some other issues that need to be addressed such as a the Quiet Title action and others.

Mr. Murnion said that the issue at the Bankruptcy Court right now is a lack of insurance to cover the assets and he discussed some of the problems with a Chapter 11 and one being all the time involved to complete that action. He said he didn't think this situation would really qualify for a Chapter 11. Discussion followed.

Mr. Murnion said with Valley County being a major security creditor, he could not recommend a Chapter 11 because of the lack of insurance. He said he would have to recommend a Chapter 7, which would involve a Trustee which would expedite the process and have a time limit to complete the liquidation. He said there is some dispute as to what properties are suppose to be in the St. Marie Development Corporation. There are other variations of this Corporation that needs to be identified and there may have been some fraudulent exchanges of property done in the past. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said he agreed with Mr. Murnion on his recommendation for a Chapter 7.

Mr. Bethea said that he wholeheartedly agrees that someone needs to look closely at all the property transactions that have been done in the past, and that is what the Creditors Committee plans to do. He said they have documentation that has been recorded showing property transferred with no consideration for the St. Marie Development Corporation, and other properties that have been transferred that do not

show up on the schedule that was submitted to the Courts by Pat Kelly. The Creditors Committee would be in charge of looking into all of that.

Mr. Bethea said that he agrees that the main reason the U.S. Trustee had to make the motion to dismiss was because of the lack of insurance. He said that this has happened in the past in another court case due to lack of insurance.

Chairman Pippin said that the Commissioners would go with the recommendation of Mr. Murnion. Chairman Pippin said that he has a concern that if they stay with a Chapter 11, the properties will be manipulated so that the only remaining property would be the burned out property and the property in terrible condition with no value. That would force the County to have to go in under the public nuisance law and clean it up which would be costly and detrimental to the people of Valley County.

Commissioner Peterson asked what was the time period in a Chapter 7, and is that long enough to investigate all the properties that should be included and as Mr. Bethea has requested to get the Quiet Title action done.

Mr. Murnion said that he would guess a Chapter 7 would last around a six month time period, but each case is different. He would advise Mr. Bethea to submit documentation to the Court Trustee, or Mr. Murnion, that documents the history of this property very succinctly so it can be understood. The Bankruptcy Court, or Trustee, is not going to take the time to try and figure this past history out. Discussion followed.

Mr. Bethea said if there could be an interim St. Marie Development Corporation Board appointed, then that Board would put together documentation and do the research of the properties in question. Discussion followed.

Mr. Murnion said this St. Marie Development Corporation Stockholders Board should meet right away and Mr. Bethea said yes, but who would be in charge of that because Mr. Kelly has control with the most stocks. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that the question before the Commissioners is not what the St. Marie Corporation Board should be doing, but the bankruptcy case and what is the best thing to do for Valley County regarding that case. He said he believes this Board is leaning towards the Chapter 7 option, even though we know there is a lack of insurance to protect the assets. Chairman Pippin questioned Mr. Bethea and asked why he hasn't gone around Mr. Kelly and scheduled a meeting of the stockholders in all of this time.

Mr. Bethea said that Mr. Kelly controls the stocks and at the last meeting held there was nothing that could be done due to that.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to follow the recommendation from Mr. Murnion, who will draft the letter, recommending to the Bankruptcy Court as a first option to go into a Chapter 7, and that Valley County opposes a Chapter 11. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Murnion said he would draft that letter and he left the office.

Mr. Bethea left the office.

The next item on the agenda was the Notices of Employment and Termination.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Robert Lipscomb as a permanent, part-time Airport Operator for the Airport beginning April 16, 2014, at \$15.50 per hour. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and passed with two ayes and one nay by Commissioner Reinhardt.

The Application for Montana Public Facility Projects-Replacement of the Milk River Road Bridge over Beaver Creek was the next item on the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign the Uniform Application Form for Montana Public Facility Projects for the replacement of the bridge over Beaver Creek on the Milk River Road. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to appoint a Refuse District Board member, John Rogeness.

Commissioner Reinhardt said this appointment is to replace Paul Zerbe who has resigned from the Lustre area and Mr. Rogeness is also from that area.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to appoint John Rogeness to the Refuse District No. 1 Board to fulfill the term vacated by Paul Zerbe which will end June 30, 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it unanimously carried.

The Service Provider County Designation Form designating Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center (EMCMHC) as the State Approved Chemical Dependency Service Provider for Valley County was the next issue to be considered.

Commissioner Peterson said this is something Valley County does every year which is just pass through money that goes to them.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Service Provider County Designation Form identifying Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center (EMCMHC) to receive 100% of the alcohol tax monies for the provision of chemical dependency treatment and prevention services for Valley County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was Dahl Funeral Chapel Vet Benefit request for Harold Buen.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to pay the vet burial benefit, \$250, for Harold Buen to the Dahl Funeral Chapel in Billings who was in charge of that funeral. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

To adopt the Valley County Bridge Standards was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin asked Mr. Tweten or Mr. Seiler if they had any comments to add.

Mr. Tweten said they reviewed this document with Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, and adjusted a few things and now is complete.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson to adopt the Valley County Bridge Standards, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Right-of-Way Application for MDU to repair a utility line.

Chairman Pippin said this request is to repair a utility line near Duane Johnson's property west of Hinsdale. It has been signed and approved by the Road Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt authorizing the Chairman to execute an Application and Permit to Use Right-of-Way No. 612, between Valley County and Montana Dakota Utilities, for the repair of an underground natural gas line located near 144, old Highway #2, located in the Southeast Quarter, Section 27, Township 31 North, Range 45 East. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it unanimously passed.

The Dept. of Army Corp of Engineers(Corps) Easement for Public Road or Street Located in Fort Peck, MT, was the next item on the agenda.

Chairman Pippin said that he would like to look into this issue further before Valley County considered signing this document.

Commissioner Peterson said Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, has looked at this and all the Commissioners have looked at this and he summarized the contents of the document for Mrs. Davidson. Commissioner Peterson said he spoke with Darrin McMurry from the Corps and was told that this document was basically a standard form from their real estate department, and the Commissioners should call that office if they have any concerns with the document. Commissioner Peterson said that he looked at an easement agreement signed in 1986 by Valley County with the Corps and this document was looked at a few years ago when this came up. In comparing this new easement with the old agreement they are quite similar but some things have been added. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Peterson said that René Clampitt, Planner/911/GIS Supervisor, said that there may need to be a survey done to make the changes requested on this document. He said the Corps may already have the survey done, but if not, it may be an expense to the County. This document also indicates that the Corps will make all final decisions related to these roads if there are any changes that Valley County would want. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that one main problem is some of the roads do not meet the Valley County Road Standards, and there is not enough room to make them meet these Standards. There are also water lines and other liability issues within these roads. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that he had requested there be land designated for three emergency turn-outs and that has not been addressed. He said there just isn't enough room for fire trucks to turn around anywhere or pull off the road without blocking the road and they need some designated areas when needed. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he does not want to sign any document that has these regulations and he would never have signed the easement in 1986 if he had been there. The Commissioners asked the Corps for changes before and it has not been addressed. Valley County wants the original easements they asked for on Duck Creek Road, an easement on the property between that road and the Townsite for turn-outs, and Valley County will maintain it to the County Standards.

Chairman Pippin said the County does not want to lose the right-of-way on the North side of Duck Creek.

After some discussion it was agreed that Commissioner Peterson will send an email to the Corps requesting the changes that have been documented here. He said it seems that Valley County wants to just continue maintaining those roads as they always have.

Mr. Tweten and Mr. Seiler left the office.

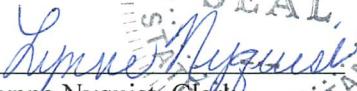
Commissioner Reinhardt left the office to attend a meeting sponsored by the Valley County Extension Service at the Fort Peck Interpretative Center.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Employment for Joseph Tihlarik as a permanent full-time Detention Officer for the Sheriff's Office beginning May 4, 2014, at \$13.60 per hour. The motion was seconded by Chairman Pippin and the motion passed.

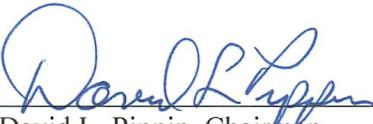
Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

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

ATTEST:

  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

  
David L. Pippin, Chairman

#### APRIL 24, 2014

Chairman Pippin participated in the distributing of the trees involved with the "Free Tree" program. There were 1,700 various trees given out to Valley County residents, five each, and all the trees were distributed by 11:00 a.m.

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

#### APRIL 25, 2014

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

#### APRIL 28, 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.

Wayne Waarvik, Jr., Valley County Road Supervisor, visited with the Commissioners about a variety of issues.

Dan Carney, Fire Marshall, visited with the Commissioners about the possibility that he may be lifting the ban on burn permits because of the moisture that Valley County has received.

Jenny Reinhardt and Brenda Anderson from the Valley County Treasurer's Office visited with the Commissioners about some delinquent tax deed property and said that two parcels from St. Marie were on the list to be taken for tax deeds, but she believes they should be included in the bankruptcy action and should not be taken by the County.

After some discussion, the Commissioners agreed with Mrs. Reinhardt and those two parcels will not be taken for tax deeds at this time.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Application for Temporary Occupancy for BNSF, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and the motion passed unanimously.

This application will give Valley County the authorization so the Valley County Road Department can tear down the old condemned warehouse along the railroad tracks.

Rick Stellflug and Stone Tihista, Valley County Weed/Mosquito Coordinators, joined the meeting to participate in a conference call with Blaine, Hill, and Phillips County Weed District representatives to discuss some discrepancies with the BLM grant funds that has been used for a group project by the four counties. The grant was for approximately \$279,000, to be used by the four counties with Blaine County being the administrator of the grant. The grant required a one to one match, and Ken Keever, Blaine County, said he believed, at this time, they have in kind services that total about \$75,000, so they still need around \$200,000 for the match funds.

Mr. Keever, said that they will probably be turning back some equipment which should deduct about \$35,000 from the total grant amount.

There was some confusion as to what areas could be included for the spraying expenses for the in-kind money. It was decided that all spraying that was done within a mile of the Milk River could be used, in addition to the tributaries off the Milk River, but probably not up the coulees along the River.

Delores Plumage, Blaine County, said that she wanted the County Commissioners to know that they may need to help their weed district people gather this information from producers so they can meet the grant requirements.

Ms. Tihista said she was in the process of contacting producers and asking them to turn in a total of their spraying to use for in-kind funds. She said the Valley County Road Department should also have some expense for spraying the roads that follow along the River.

After much discussion and history of the grant reviewed, it was agreed by the group to put together all the expenses they can gather from producers and turn that in so they can see how much it will add up to and the remainder of matching funds needed.

The group voiced their frustration that the person that was responsible for the grant administration, who is gone now, did not get the correct information out to the other counties. He did not follow the grant rules as they should have been done and now the Counties are short of time to meet the requirements. Originally they had thought the grant would run for 10 years and have now discovered that it is only a four year program. Discussion followed.

Mr. Keever said that the in-kind money does not have to be turned in tomorrow, and he estimated they have about a year to get the documentation done.

Mrs. Plumage said that she thought it would be better to get this information together now, while it was still fresh in their minds, because the longer they put it off, the more they will forget. Discussion followed.

Chairman Pippin said that he felt this has been a good program and has been proactive and an aggressive plan which is beneficial to the BLM and County land. He asked if the Counties need to pull back and stop spending these funds for now and asked how much money is really due.

Mark Albers, BLM District Manager, said that he agreed, it has been a good project, and a lot of good has come out of it. He said they, the BLM, is here to work with the Counties and get this figured out. It would be better to get this settled sooner, rather than later, and make sure we are not in too deep of a hole and see what needs to be done. He said that they need to figure out what can be done and get the match money figured out. Mr. Albers said that one can never match federal dollars with anything that has been funded with federal dollars, and that has always been that way. He said the BLM will be as lenient as they can be, but they don't want anybody in hot water and they must follow the regulations. Discussion followed.

Mr. Keever asked the group if they still wanted to use Delores, Shannon and Julie to continue to work on the grant, if so, they will need to figure out how to fund their salaries if used. Discussion followed.

Frank DePriest, Blaine County Commissioner, said that he felt that Shannon and Julie were too important of a factor to let them go right now, and we need to figure out a way to keep them on the payroll so they can get this match issue straightened out.

Mr. Keever said that he would agree, but he did not know how to make that work with their current budget, because it will only get the group deeper in debt and owing more matching funds. Discussion followed.

Phillips County Commissioner Richard Dunbar said that even though we were told not to worry about all the paperwork, but, we all knew about the match money and we really shouldn't have gotten behind in our in-kind match. At the end of the year, we should have made sure our in-kind matched the grant money and it was zeroed out and then started over each year. With that said, we need to get this cleaned up and done. There is approximately \$151,000 that they need to come up with matching funds for.

Ms. Tihista said that there was some paperwork that was never sent out to the Counties by the last person that was in charge of the grant, and she didn't believe it was all the Counties that are on the hook.

Mr. Albers said that he can't speak to what went on in the past, he just has to move forward and get the grant straightened out. He said that the BLM will explore all the options and see what will make this work.

After much discussion it was agreed that each County will get their in-kind dollars together, contact producers and see what expenses they can gather to put towards the in-kind matching funds that they need. The group will meet again in about month to see where things stand, and the phone call came to an end.

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

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

APRIL 29, 2014

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

Chairman Pippin and Commissioner Peterson attended the Disaster Emergency round table event titled "Operation Underpass", which was a scenario of a tanker truck carrying hazardous materials which gets wedged in the underpass, starts on fire with an oil tanker train on the tracks above it.

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

ATTEST:

Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

David L. Pippin, Chairman

APRIL 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.

Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, visited with the Commissioners Peterson about the letter he was sending to the U.S. Bankruptcy Court regarding the St. Marie Development Corporation Bankruptcy. He asked that all the Commissioners review the contents as he was ready to mail it if all were in agreement.

Mr. Murnion left the office.

Commissioner Reinhardt joined the meeting.

Bonnie Davidson, Glasgow Courier, joined the meeting.

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

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

There were no Notices of Employment or Termination submitted for action.

The first item to consider on the agenda was the appointment of a Long Run Fireman Volunteer, James Bailey.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reinhardt to authorize the Chairman to execute an Opheim Volunteer Fire Control Agreement between Valley County and James Bailey. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the Influenza Pandemic Plan for the Valley County Health Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Approval and Implementation Plan for the Valley County's Health Department Influenza Pandemic Plan, which will be implemented into the Valley County Emergency Response Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it passed unanimously.

To advertise for Valley County Board vacancies was the next item on the agenda.

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

**VALLEY COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS  
VACANCIES for 2014 thru 2015**

City-County Library Board-County Rep	1 - Five year position
Glasgow Mosquito Control District	2 - Three year positions
Hinsdale Mosquito District	1 - Three year position
Hinsdale Television District No. 1	1 - Three year position
Nashua Mosquito Control District	2 - Three year positions
Opheim Cemetery District	1 - Three year position
Refuse Disposal District No. 1	2 - Three year positions
Valley County Airport Commission	2 - Three year positions
Valley County Board of Adjustments	3 - Three year positions
Valley County Board of Health	2 - Three year positions
Valley County Council on Aging	4 - Three year positions
Valley County Fair Commission	1 - Three year position
Valley County Historical Museum	1 - Three year position
Valley County Planning Board	2 - Two year positions
Valley County Salary Compensation Board	3 - Three year positions
Valley County Tax Appeal Board	1 - Three year position
Valley County Television District #1	1 - Three year position
Valley County Transit Board	2 - Three year positions
Valley County Weed Control	2 - Three year positions
Missouri River Country Tourism Board	1 - Three year position

Please contact the Valley County Commissioners at 228-6219 if interested in serving on a Valley County Board.

**Board of Valley County Commissioners**  
David L. Pippin, Chairman  
Dave Reinhardt, Member  
Bruce H. Peterson, Member

(Publish May 14 and 21, 2014)

The next item on the agenda to be considered was Resolution No. 17-2014, Directing the County Treasurer to Issue Tax Deeds and Directing the County Clerk to Provide Notification.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-2014**  
**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY TREASURER  
 TO ISSUE TAX DEEDS AND DIRECTING COUNTY  
 CLERK TO PROVIDE NOTIFICATION**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to § 15-18-211, MCA, the County Treasurer may not issue tax deeds to the county (if the purchaser is the county and no assignment has been made) unless the Board of County Commissioners, by resolution, directs her to issue a tax deed; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Commissioners direct the County Treasurer to issue a tax deed on property, where the county is the purchaser and no assignment has been made, and on which the taxes have not been paid prior to issuance of the tax deed;

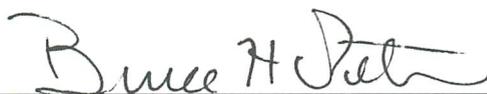
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

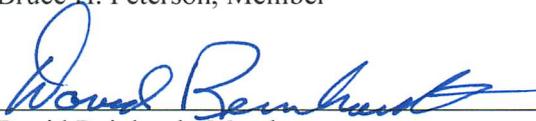
1. That the County Treasurer shall issue tax deeds to the county for that property where the county is the purchaser and no assignment has been made, as specifically described in attached Exhibit A, and on which property the taxes are not paid before issuance of tax deed.
2. Prior to the issuance of tax deeds, the County Clerk shall comply with the notice requirements of § 15-18-212, MCA.

**DATED** this 30th day of April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA

  
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 David L. Pippin, Chairman

  
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 Bruce H. Peterson, Member

  
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 David Reinhardt, Member



ATTEST:

  
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 Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

**EXHIBIT A**

Legal Description for Resolution No. 17-2014

1. Unit 360-A, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Condominium 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.
2. Unit 360-B, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Condominium 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.
3. Unit 360-C, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Condominium 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.

4. Unit 360-D, Capehart Housing, of the St. Marie Condominium 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.
5. An undivided 12/234 interest in the following described land;
  - Principal Meridian, Montana
  - Township 29 North, Range 45 East:
    - Section 34: Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter
    - Section 35: West Half of the Northeast Quarter,  
Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,  
Northwest Quarter

It was noted that Lynne Nyquist, Valley County Clerk and Recorder, had sent out the Tax Deed Notices to those who had any interest in the above named properties, and all Notices were picked up. Now a sale date will be chosen and advertised in the paper.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that he would like to update the Commissioners on the Transit Building projects. He said that the State DOT has about \$6,000 to put towards the replacement of the sidewalks around the Transit Building. He estimated it will cost around \$12,000 and he is in the process of getting bids for that project.

Chairman Pippin said that the Commissioners need to keep in mind that the parking lot needs to be addressed at the Transit Building.

Commissioner Reinhardt said that Colleen Pankratz, Valley County Transit Supervisor, has another grant submitted to replace the parking lot in about two years.

Chairman Pippin reviewed the disaster emergency practice that was held last night at the Valley County Event Center and said there were several questions that came up that needed to be addressed and what key people should be assigned to what jobs in this type of event. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Davidson left the office.

A motion was by Commissioner Reinhardt directing the Chairman to sign the Zoning Compliance Form for MK Weeden Construction Inc., who is enlarging their previous permitted gravel site. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson authorizing the Chairman to execute a Notice of Termination for William H. Nicol as a permanent, full-time Driver/Operator for the Road Department, effective April 30, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it 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. 0233 for a total of (\$24.59) for Daniel Taylor to cancel the taxes for a mobile home.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peterson directing the Chairman to sign the Proof of Claim for the St. Marie Development Corporation of MT, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Case No. 14-60106-11, verifying the basis for the claim was in the amount of \$357,144.06, for Valley County real estate taxes that are due. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt and it carried unanimously.

Also submitted with this claim is a letter from Nick Murnion, Valley County Attorney, stating that Valley County supports the motion to convert from a Chapter 11 Bankruptcy to a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy, and the appointment of a trustee who will supervise the liquidation of all the real and personal property listed on the bankruptcy schedules. If that is not possible, than Valley County supports a dismissal of the bankruptcy which will allow the County to proceed with the tax deed proceedings. Included with the letter is documentation of various actions that have been taken involving the properties associated with this Corporation.

Commissioner Peterson left the office for the day.

Claims for the month of April were approved as follows;

Vendor	Claim #	Amount
1798 AGLAND CO-OP	61586	90.56
4663 ALEX ESTEVES	61418	126.00
3479 ALFRED SCHMITT	61465	430.00
2853 ALL SEASON HOME CENTER	61467	1,528.23
184 AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	61466	147.07
4737 ANCHORTEX CORPORATION	61567	307.68
558 ARCH'S TIRE & SERVICE	61468	1,094.75
18 BELL MORTUARY INC	61470	250.00
75 BIG VALLEY WATER	61419	86.00
900 BLACK MOUNTAIN SOFTWARE INC	61420	32,548.00
504 BOB BARKER CO INC	61568	1,396.19
4041 BRIAN "AUZZY" AUSTIN	61471	234.00
2838 BRUCE PETERSON	61421	297.68
4427 BS CENTRAL INC	61469	190.00
4735 BUTCH'S 1956 CHEV SHOP	61472	359.95
182 CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	61473	1,752.13
3195 CDW Government Inc.	61587	22,940.10
3360 CENTURY LINK	61422	184.24
	61569	1,148.58
34 CHANNING BETE CO INC	61474	117.95
3326 CHRISTINE GAMAS	61423	92.00
677 CITY OF GLASGOW	61475	5,400.96
2814 CLIA LABORATORY PROGRAM	61476	150.00
1095 COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO	61477	17.00
548 COLLEEN M PANKRATZ	61571	21.46
3680 CONNIE KAWASAKI	61478	150.00
4554 CONSOLIDATED TELECOM, INC	61479	1,500.00
225 D & G SPORTS & WESTERN	61480	2,589.99
4738 DAHL FUNERAL HOME	61549	250.00
39 DALE PLUMBING & HEATING INC	61481	2,169.45
40 DAN OLSON DBA	61572	300.90
2961 DANIEL JENSEN	61424	195.00
2740 DARLA SHIPMAN	61426	80.00
212 DATA IMAGING SYSTEMS	61425	1,029.56
884 DAVID L REINHARDT	61427	18.00
4223 DAVID REXHAUSEN	61482	150.00
637 DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	61483	172.50
4573 DIAGNOSTIC PEST SOLUTIONS	61589	83.00
3075 DXP ENTERPRISES	61588	512.89
2924 EAGLE PRINTING & BUSINESS FORMS LLC	61484	1,338.46
260 EASTERN MONTANA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER	61585	3,832.00
2724 ECOLAB	61593	121.10
801 ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	61428	27.55
	61485	794.40
812 EZZIE'S WHOLESALE INC	61429	126,276.44
2757 FARM EQUIPMENT SALES	61486	742.93
54 FOOD SERVICES OF AMERICA	61430	5,812.07
	61487	1,056.37
57 FOSSUM READY MIX INC	61590	447.38
59 FRANCES MAHON DEACONESS HOSPITAL	61488	10,091.20
4455 FREEMAN AND GAFFNEY ASSOCIATES	61578	8,515.50
311 GAFFANEYS TOTAL OFFICE SOURCE INC	61489	2,685.26
247 GALL'S INC	61431	1,785.57
	61573	412.09
665 GARY J MARTIN	61574	425.00
66 GLASGOW AUTO SAFETY CENTER	61490	104.00
71 GLASGOW COURIER INC	61491	791.14
762 GLAXOSMITHKLINE PHARMACEUTICALS	61492	2,541.68
4299 GLOBALSTAR USA	61432	103.67
4264 GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	61493	4,305.00
4015 HALVAR OLSTEAD	61494	150.00
3772 HEALTH E WEB	61495	158.00
80 HI LINE COLLISION REPAIR	61575	201.00
392 HI LINE FORD INC	61496	5,044.32
3830 HI LINE SAFE CRACKING & CAR KEYS	61497	13.50
3301 HOME CARE SERVICES	61498	108.63
3896 INDUSTRIAL COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS	61433	2,046.70
207 INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO INC	61499	245.00
153 IRENE STANDING	61500	150.00
3576 J & M DISTRIBUTING	61501	167.74
3213 JAMES CARNEY CONSTRUCTION	61576	17,369.75
4308 JON BLOCKHUS	61502	150.00
4733 JOSEPH TIHLARIK	61434	204.00
367 KARI LEE KNIERIM	61435	77.72
1407 KARLA THOMPSON	61503	50.01
368 KLTZ/KLAN INC	61504	55.00
95 KREISERS INC	61505	109.42
1113 LAW ENFORCEMENT TARGETS	61436	1,174.09
96 LILA KULCZYK	61506	150.00
3631 LINDA HUDYMA	61507	70.00
3953 MAHUGH FIRE & SAFETY	61591	4,895.00
3133 MAPPING & PLANNING SPECIALISTS, INC	61577	1,330.00

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2975 MARJORIE JACOBSON	61508	780.00
101 MARKLE'S INC	61509	1,655.20
3818 MARTY WASSER	61510	150.00
2475 MATTFELDT ELECTRIC	61511	140.97
413 MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.	61512	13,113.28
3384 METAL SPARKS	61513	86.00
104 MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL CORP	61514	120.67
144 MIDWEST CANCER SCREENING	61515	69.60
4417 MIDWEST LABORATORIES INC	61516	100.00
3557 MILLER OIL CO	61592	1,000.63
252 MONTANA AERONAUTICS DIVISION	61579	732.02
4182 MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	61438	2,000.00
540 MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES/MACO	61437	382.85
1743 MONTANA COUNTY FIREWARDEN'S ASSOCIATION	61517	50.00
113 MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	61520	5,881.70
874 MONTANA FOOD BANK NETWORK INC	61439	12.00
1708 MONTANA LTAP	61522	260.00
1749 MONTANA SHERIFF'S & PEACE OFFICERS ASSOC	61440	450.00
4736 MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY	61521	10.00
1128 MONTANA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	61523	85.00
2861 MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	61584	5,482.75
2624 MSU EXTENSION PUBLICATIONS	61519	810.00
239 MSU EXTENSION SERVICE	61518	4,512.76
3691 MTLIRA	61441	100.00
183 NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC	61443	4,451.87
4647 NETWORK CREATIVE GROUP LL	61524	558.00
165 NEWTON MOTORS INC	61525	15.11
470 NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO	61464	4,179.56
706 NORTH VALLEY CO WATER & SEWER DISTRICT	61442	59.90
121 NORTHERN MONTANA TEXTILES SERVICES	61526	663.40
4734 NORTHWEST ARMOR	61444	16,755.43
115 NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	61448	3,880.95
	61527	7,070.15
120 NORVAL ELECTRIC CO-OP INC	61449	1,737.77
126 PACIFIC STEEL & RECYCLING	61528	211.56
759 PAGE-WHITHAM LAND & CATTLE CO	61529	280.00
4248 PARK GROVE BAR & CAFE	61445	648.00
3087 PAT NEULEIB	61446	1,422.00
758 PAUL MOGAN	61530	280.00
129 PETTY CASH	61596	139.81
2768 PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS	61531	1,193.00
135 PRO CO-OP	61463	48.90
257 QBS SAFEGUARD	61447	280.47
2620 RDO EQUIPMENT TRUST #80-5800	61583	425.13
76 REYNOLDS	61532	580.66
4488 RICHLAND COUNTY TITLE LLC	61450	4,655.00
251 RICK MOLVIG	61533	150.00
147 SCOTT'S TRACK 'N' WHEEL	61534	6,750.00
3910 SCOTTIE EXPRESS WASH INC	61535	800.00
2661 SKYLARK TECHNOLOGY	61580	200.00
4404 SMITH MEDICAL PARTNERS	61536	208.32
3080 SQUAD ROOM EMBLEMS	61537	428.63
47 ST MARIE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION	61451	106.00
472 STATE OF MONTANA	61538	24.77
3589 STERICYCLE, INC	61539	12.00
3693 STOUGHIE'S BAR AND GRILL	61452	680.00
4732 SYN-TECH SYSTEMS, INC	61453	440.00
163 T & R TRUCKING INC	61454	12,937.02
2914 TASER INTERNATIONAL	61540	617.96
6 TAYLOR STORAGE	61594	1,200.00
788 TERRY LIGHTHIZER	61541	162.31
291 THE CHEMNET CONSORTIUM	61542	35.00
3902 THE OUTPOST	61455	920.00
41 TIRE-RAMA SERVICE CENTER	61543	1,840.94
2709 TOWE, BALL, ENRIGHT, MACKEY & SOMMERFELD	61544	175.00
1074 TOWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY	61545	359.66
170 TOWN & RANCH SERVICENTER	61546	207.95
680 TOWN OF OPHEIM	61456	60.00
631 TRACIE VAUGHN	61548	35.00
171 TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO	61547	2,266.87
172 TRI STATE TRUCK-EQUIP INC	61552	649.59
764 TRI-COUNTY FARMERS MUTUAL INSURANCE CO	61551	95.00
174 TRIPLE A GLASS INC	61550	35.00
787 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE/PITNEY BOWES	61582	955.36
3578 ULTIMATE SAFETY SOLUTIONS	61595	466.47
627 UNCLE MILT'S BODY SHOP	61553	92.14
77 VALLEY BUILDERS SUPPLY	61554	7.38
667 VALLEY CO ABSTRACT CO INC	61557	125.00
4561 VALLEY CO AIRPORT COMMISSION	61558	60.50
1452 VALLEY CO COUNCIL ON AGING	61570	72.00
614 VALLEY CO TRANSIT	61555	1,292.20
674 VALLEY VIEW HOME	61556	40.00

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4245 VERIZON WIRELESS	61457	121.89
3333 VICKY WETZ	61559	37.26
1087 VISA	61581	73.75
3023 VISA	61561	1,077.72
3559 VISA	61458	1,489.68
4061 VISA	61460	1,427.90
4050 VISA 7495	61459	7,536.38
4547 VISA 7644	61461	136.82
803 WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIP CO	61562	904.32
187 WEST PAYMENT CENTER	61563	600.00
188 WESTERN DRUG INC	61560	102.18
32 WEX BANK	61462	397.54
190 WILLS OFFICE WORLD/RADIO SHACK	61564	909.10
1599 WOLFTRAX BROADCASTING LLC	61565	140.00
193 ZERBE BROS INC	61566	1,567.40
Total:		424,792.62

Payroll for the month of April was approved in the amount of \$361,197.11.

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



ATTEST:

*Lynne Nyquist*  
Lynne Nyquist, Clerk

ATTEST:

*David L. Pippin*  
David L. Pippin, Chairman