

March 1st, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners met in regular session on the above stated date at 10:00 AM in their room at the Courthouse. Those present were: Commissioner Larry Hendrickson Commissioner Russ Tempel.

PAYROLL

Employee payroll was submitted for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson and seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion passed to approve all current wages.

SAGE CREEK WATER SHED

Commissioner Tempel attended the Sage Creek Water Shed meeting in Inverness on February 24, 2016.

HRDC

Commissioner Tempel attended the HRDC meeting. They are currently looking for a new HRDC Director.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Commissioner Tempel attended the monthly chamber meeting. The Hanger Dance was discussed and the chamber is looking for items to be donated to the fundraiser.

LEPC

The Commissioners attended the LEPC meeting. LMC is looking to partner on some exercise requirements that will be coming up this year. Discussion included HAZMAT training and dealing with the Railroad.

SENIOR CENTER

The Senior Center was rented to a business last week. A meeting was held by the local business and afterward was cleaned by them. There was some disagreement between the renter and the Senior Center department head on the cleaning standards. The Commissioners met with both parties and decided that the County needs to clarify its rental agreement as to what responsibilities the renter holds. Glenda Hanson reported that she has been short staffed. The Commissioners have been discussing some of the bus policies with her.

FRITZ AUCTION

Fritz Auction requested to use the County property north of the stockyard to host their sale on May 23-28, 2016. Fritz Auction has provided a release of all claims and hold harmless agreement. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to approve and Commissioner Tempel seconded. The motion passed with all in favor.

JUSTICE COURT

Holly Frederickson was in trial on Tuesday afternoon. The Justice Court continues to be very busy.

WEED DEPARTMENT

Jim Ghekiere will be going to Helena to testify on the Weed Department grant applications that he has submitted to the state. He will stop at the state surplus to look for fire truck replacements.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

ATTEST: _____

Clerk

Chairman

March 2nd, 2016 ♦ Wednesday

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SHERIFF'S RETIREMENT

The Commissioners had called MACO and inquired about the questions that Sheriff Riggin had last week. MACO sent a response back today and it was reviewed by the Commissioners. MACO is still doing some research on this issue and will get back to them on it.

SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

The Commissioners reviewed the following items to place on the surplus equipment list: Portable X-ray machine at LMC, Drill Press at County shop. These items will be placed up for bids.

EXTENSION

Jesse Fulbright was in to discuss the Extension calendar for the month of March. MSU Extension hosted a meeting on Alzheimer's, which will be held every Tuesday for the month of March. Master Gardner is going to start at this time.

MENTAL HEALTH

The Commissioners met with Michelle Holden, LCPC with Ultra Care for the North Star Schools. Also attending the meeting was Holly Frederickson, Angel Colby, and Derek Daily. The meeting involved some of the mental health concerns for the communities.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Clerk

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March 8th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

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ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes was in to discuss the prices of the Mag Chloride that he had been researching. At this time he has only been able to find one retailer who is located in Butte. We would have to have a tank set up to store the product and we would have to research the application equipment. The Road Crew will be doing culvert work and blading some of the more damaged sections of road. They are still waiting for moisture to be able to efficiently work on the roads.

EXTENSION

John Phister, who is Jesse Fulbright's direct supervisor, was here to check on the Commissioner's feeling on the Extension Program. The Commissioners reported that they were very pleased with the program. The group discussed how the Extension Program could be improved upon in the future.

Julie Gagnon was in to discuss safety reporting. She has sent out emails to the department heads to make sure that everyone is reporting the same way. Julie is also working on the requirements for the upcoming safety audit.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson updated the Commissioners on the Senior Center. She reported that she was full staffed this week. One of the buses is having issues with the wheel chair lift. Parts have been ordered to fix this issue. Glenda would like to send Kevin Sculley from the Road Department to a training on troubleshooting issues with the bus lift. She will also be working on new rental agreements. We will meet at a later date to discuss the issues that we would like to see changed.

SANITARIAN

Sarah Robbin, the County Sanitarian, was here over the weekend. She left a report on what she had done. Sarah has passed the FDA Standardization. We now meet two of nine standards of the Retail Food Inspection Standards. She addressed multiple complaints. Two letters had been sent. One dealt with a septic issue in Lothair and the other dealt with property clean- up in Chester. Sarah had sent the town of Chester the paperwork for the Intercap Loan for a garbage truck. Sarah will be starting the pool inspections this month.

CLAIMS

The current claims were submitted for payment. A motion was made by Commissioner Wicks, seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion passed with all in favor.

RESCUE TRUCK

Liberty County EMS has received the new rescue truck and it is in service. The Commissioners declared the old one obsolete and offered it for sealed bids. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to declare the 1990 f350 VIN 2FDH38G4LCA76625. Commissioner Wicks seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Hugh Brown was in to update the Commissioners on the County Attorney's Office. He is still in the process of finding his replacement.

MENTAL HEALTH

The Commissioners interviewed Michelle Holden, LCPC to replace the position held by Lea Ann Lewis. After the interview the Commissioners offered the position to her. Commissioner Hendrickson made the motion to approve the hire and it was seconded by Commissioner Wicks. The motion carried with all in favor.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Chairman

March 9th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

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ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes presented some options for the purchase and storage of the proposed Mag Chloride. He will still be researching some more options.

EXTENSION

Jesse Fulbright previewed his fertilizer presentation for the chemical meeting. Commissioner Tempel attended the meeting.

AIRPORT

The Commissioners reviewed the current airport insurance renewal for the next year. We are currently in the second year of a three year contract. The price for this year is \$2,075.00. Commissioner Wicks made a motion to approve the payment, seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion passed with all in favor.

MENTAL HEALTH

The Commissioners sent a contract to Michelle Holden to review. Liberty Medical Center will work on their contract with Michelle.

HIGHWAY223

Kirsten Kammerzell met with the Commissioners for an update on the speed limit change on Highway 223. We discussed the steps that would be taken next.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Chairman

March 15th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

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JOINT POWERS TRUST

Joint Powers Trust and EBMS are having an employer meeting to discuss some of the benefits available to members of the Healthcare Trust. They will host three meetings today including one at the Road Department and two at the Courthouse.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes was in to update the Commissioners on the Road Department. Steve Jenkins from the LTAP had called to talk about road stabilization. Steve recommended that the county check into the cost of Calcium Chloride that would come out of Canada. Marc will call 40 Mile County and ask them for some information. The Commissioners called CHS to ask them about the availability of using their railcar siding to off load the Mag Chloride that would come from Butte.

CLAIMS

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PAYROLL

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EBMS

Gary Hableals, an agent for EBMS, was in to discuss our current health insurance plan. The official renewal will be out next week.

Glenda Hanson was in to update the Commissioners on the Senior Center. All of her employees did attend the insurance presentation. Glenda had to replace the can opener in the kitchen for big cans.

SENIOR CLASS

Spencer Satori's, senior US Government class advisor, brought the class down for a tour of the Courthouse. The students were broken into three groups and them Commissioners took the around and had the elected officials and department heads describe their office and the duties of that office.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Clerk

Chairman

March 22nd, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners met in regular session on the above stated date at 10:00 AM in their room at the Courthouse. Those present were: Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Maureen "Morb" Wicks, and Commissioner Russ Tempel by phone.

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

Commissioner Wicks and Commissioners Hendrickson attended the awards presentation for the Air Rifle portion of the 4-H Shooting Sports. Thirteen athletes completed the program this year. Benji Van Wagner could not compete at Conrad so he did demonstration to the group on safety and the positions for shooting.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Brenda Wickum sent the Commissioners a list of this year's deliverables. The Commissioners reviewed the list and notified Brenda that they had received the list.

EXTENSION

The Commissioners met with Jesse Fulbright and Julie Gagnon to discuss the replacement of the treasurer on the 4-H Council. Lori Woods and Teresa Fenger will be taking over. The Air Rifle Awards Banquet was discussed and everyone was happy with the results.

MUSEUM

Betty Marshall was in to schedule a Museum board meeting. After consulting the calendar, it was decided to wait until April to schedule the meeting.

DNRC EASEMENT

Eric Eneboe of DNRC met with the Commissioners to discuss the counties purchase of a road easement. Eric had been reviewing the road map and found one more easement that the County need to purchase. It is on the Pugsley Bridge Road. Jim Ghekierre will make a map and then we will fill out the application to send into the state.

GRAVEL

The Commissioners spoke with Jerry Fenger about the timeline of the gravel crusher arriving at his gravel pit. Jerry had been in contact with the company and is expecting them to be here mid-April. The Commissioners had Marc Homes inspect some pit run gravel at Brian Wolery's pit. Marc will report his findings.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

The Commissioners have begun advertising for the County Attorney replacement. The ad was placed in the Montana Bar magazine. Part of the job was omitted from the advertisement regarding the prosecution of City of Chester crimes. Hugh Brown had brought this matter to the attention of the

Commissioners, but the ad had already been placed. The Commissioners will inform all applicants about this inadvertent omission. The advertisement will run in the April magazine and the online addition.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Chairman

March 29th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners met in regular session on the above stated date at 10:00 AM in their room at the Courthouse. Those present were: Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Maureen "Morb" Wicks, and Commissioner Russ Tempel.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson updated the Commissioners on this week's Senior Center activities.

TREASURER'S OFFICE

Gayle Dahlen was in to update the Commissioners on the proceedings in Treasurer's Office.

PAYROLL

Employee payroll was submitted for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Wicks and seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion passed to approve all current wages.

EXTENSION

Jesse Fulbright informed the Commissioners that the last Alzheimer's class will be held this evening. The Master Gardner class will be starting and there are currently six people enrolled. The first class will be held in Joplin. The farm safety class is set for April 30, 2016. At this time the hospital, school, and EMS are partnering in the class.

AIRPORT

The Commissioners reviewed the liability insurance invoice for the Liberty County Airport. Liberty County is in the second year of a three year contract with Northwest Insurance Group of Hillsboro, Oregon. The amount of the invoice is \$2,075.00. The Commissioners paid the invoice from the Airport checking account.

TIBER WATER

Commissioner Wicks attended the monthly Tiber Water Board meeting in Conrad on March 28, 2016.

RESCUE TRUCK

EMS had advertised the old rescue truck and received no bids. The truck will be advertised and sold at the Fritz Auction.

JUSTICE COURT

Holly Fredrickson updated the Commissioners on the proceedings of the Justice Court. It has been very busy.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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