

April 5th, 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.

CLAIMS

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

LEPC

The Commissioners attended the LEPC meeting. It was very well attended by 17 people. Public Health presented a POD plan that was needed to show the flow of patients for a large scale emergency situation in which many people in the community would need to be administered a vaccine, antidote, etc., within a short period of time due to an illness outbreak, a biological threat, or some other incident that requires this type of emergency response.

ROAD

Marc Holmes gave his weekly report to the Commissioners on the Road Department. He attended MACRS last week in Great Falls. J Rails were being used to block the closed road on the Buelow Crossing. They had been moved and Marc was going to find out by whom and ask why. Marc will be researching getting a tank to store Mag Chloride. The Road Department will also be looking for a new end dump truck. The mowers are in the process of being rebuilt. The Road Department will also be taking the cars used for extraction training to Pacific Steel in Havre.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson reported that she did have one applicant for the bus driver position.

DRUG TASK FORCE

The Commissioners reviewed the Tri County Drug Task Force agreement. Commissioner Wicks made the motion to approve the agreement. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

NEW HORIZONS RECOVERY

The Commissioners reviewed the service provider designation form. Liberty County designates New Horizons Recovery as its provider.

HRDC

Commissioner Tempel attended the HRDC meeting in Havre. It was a special meeting to hire the new director. The job was offered and the board is waiting to hear if the job was accepted.

TIBER WATER

Commissioner Wicks attended the monthly Tiber Water Board meeting in Conrad.

FIRE & EMS

Commissioner Hendrickson attended the Extraction training with Fire and EMS. Snyder Dent Shop donated three cars that were used to train the crew on extraction. Three members of the Toole County Fire Department were there to help with the training. The meeting was very well attended.

LIBERTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Commissioners met with County Superintendent Kathy Armstrong and David Hofer to discuss the needs of the Liberty Elementary School District.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

Chairman

April 6th, 2016 ♦ Wednesday

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CITY OF CHESTER

The Commissioners met with Mayor Noel Walston to discuss the new meter pit at the airport. The City of Chester will still meter the water to the individuals at the airport. Then they will check the gallons of water that went through the meter. The water users at the airport will have to install check valves to maintain the ability to receive water from the City of Chester.

HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT

The Commissioners inspected the list of obsolete equipment that the hospital has. After inspecting all the items, Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to advertise the items for public bids. Commissioner Wicks seconded and the motion passed with all in favor. The following items will be advertised on the County website for two weeks and will be sold for the highest bids.

- Tub & Shower
- Tub
- Exam Table
- Large Mixer
- Sliding Glass Doors 6ft wide / 7ft high
- Birthing Bed
- Anderson Window -- 64 in wide / 55 in high
- Ice maker
- GE Fridge 11 cubic feet (freezer doesn't work)
- Coronado Refrigerator 10.5 cubic feet / Freezer 3.6 cubic feet
- Amana Upright Deep Freeze 20 Cubic Feet
- Armstrong Tiles 2 x 4 – 9 Boxes
- 2—Gurney's
- Philips BV 25 C-ARM (No Monitors)
- Hill-Rom Light Portable
 - Model # P7925A120-01 Serial # 019704
- Scale – Tronix 2001 Sling Scale
 - Model # 2001 Serial #11495
- Hewlett Packard 8040 A ECG Machine
 - Serial # 2403G13066
- Ohmeda Pulse Oximeter 5250
 - Stock # 6051-0000-027 Serial # FARZ00726
- Welch Allyn Video Path VLX – 20 Video Light Source
 - Ref # 45500 Serial # 4550252
- Hewlett Packard Anesthesia Monitoring System Model 865
 - Model # M1046A Serial # 3601A59934
- Hewlett Packard Viridia Anesthesia Monitoring System Model 88
 - Model # M1094B SERIAL # 3806I81331
- Portable X-Ray Machine / X-Ray Tube June 1990
 - GE AMX III Serial # 82292-9Z
 - Model # 46-21790062 Serial #13533WK3 11/1984 AMX III
 - Model # 46-18485761 Serial # 40676EA9 10/1984 AMX III XFMR

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April 12th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

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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.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Kathy Armstrong was in to discuss the issue of the School District Liberty 10 adding two schools from the Sunburst School District. The Commissioners met with Dave Hofer to go over some of the information that we had compiled from last week and decided to collect more information before a decision was made.

LUNCH PRESENTATION

Kathy and Pat Armstrong gave a presentation from their trip to Jordan and Israel. The group that they traveled with distributed wheelchairs to those in need.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson reported that the Senior Center Transit buses have been very busy. This week they will have buses going to Havre, Shelby, and Great Falls. Glenda will be attending a Sysco Food show in Billings.

WEED DEPARTMENT

Jim Ghekiere reported that the Land Tamer was advertised with Public Auction Service. The high bid was for \$19,100.00. The buyer was from Oregon. Jim has sprayed at the Senior Center. He has also been reviewing applications for the summer Weed Department positions. At this time he will start interviewing the applicants. Jim will be helping in the Transboundary Water, Weeds, and Stewardship Tour August 8th-10th. The tour will be through Glacier National Park and Glacier County, Montana, as well as the County of Warner, Alberta. Liberty County will request a bus from CJI Schools. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to request a bus from the CJI School and Commissioner Wicks seconded. The motion carried with all in favor. Jim will report the rental of this bus to the County's insurance company.

JOPLIN SPEED LIMIT

The Commissioners were asked how to change the speed limit around the Joplin Park. They responded that they will research the process.

MUSEUM

Betty Marshall met with the Commissioners to report that the Museum is running the help wanted ads for another week. Two applications have been received at this time.

JUSTICE COURT

Holly Frederickson updated the Commissioners on the cases she is presiding over in the Justice Court. Holly has continued to be very busy.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Commissioners met with Sheriff Riggin to discuss the options of changing the speed limit around the Joplin Park. Also discussed was changing the speed limit by MDOT on HWY 223.

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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April 13th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

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ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes plans to look into the purchase of an end dump truck located in Chouteau. The Road Crew will be grading the streets in Joplin this week. Kevin Scully from the Road Crew resigned effective June 1, 2016.

MINUTES

The Commissioners reviewed the minutes of the Commissioner Meetings for the months of February and March. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Commissioner Tempel seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

MARAIS RIVER ADVISORY MEETING

The Commissioners attended the Marias River Advisory Group Meeting at the Fire Hall. Presentations were given by BOR, FWP, Toole County Road and Weed Department, and Liberty County Road and Weed Department. We are facing a low water year with snow pack at 65% of its' normal level. FWP is hoping to keep the river flows at 500cfs.

CLAIMS

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

JOINT POWERS TRUST

The Commissioners met with Gary Habsul, the agent for the JPT, to go over our health insurance renewal. Liberty County renewal included 8% increases. After discussing the increases, Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to renew the insurance for a three year term. Commissioner Wicks seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. One of the new benefits that will be included within our insurance plan is a free eye examination and 15% of frames and lenses. Angel Colbry and Davin Buffington both attended the meeting.

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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April 19th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

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CLAIMS

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

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes met with the Commissioners to discuss how the conditions of the roads were impacted by the last snow storm. Many residents were affected by the storm with not only road issues, but also power outages. The 35 MPH signs were ordered to be put on School Drive and Power Line road. The job opening at the Road Department has been advertised on the Liberty County webpage and will be put on the Job Service webpage.

4 FOR 2

Bob Sivertsen, the voice of Highway 2 Association, met with the Commissioners. Bob asked the Commissioners to help promote the 4 For 2 program.

COMMISSIONER REQUEST

Commissioner Wicks requested permission to be out of state June 8, 2016 through June 11, 2016. Commissioner Hendricks made a motion to approve her request and it was seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion carried with all in favor.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Kathy Armstrong, the Superintendent of Schools, updated the Commissioners on the issue of Liberty 10 School District taking over two schools from the Sunburst School District. At this time she has found out that OPI says that this would be legal. OPI also said the Colonies could compensate the Superintendent extra income. A decision is yet to be made at this time.

LIBRARY

Teresa Fenger reported an issue with the coffee machine, which she will be taking to Kalispell to be repaired.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson updated the Commissioners on the food safety meeting she attended that was hosted by the Senior Center and presented by Sarah Robbin. The meeting was well attended.

MOUNT ROYAL TV DISTRICT

Kody Peterson was appointed to the Mount Royal TV District Board for a three year term.

JOPLIN PARK

The Commissioners inspected the streets around the Joplin City Park. They will schedule a public meeting to discuss the proposed speed limits.

EMS

The Commissioners reviewed the job description for the Liberty County Ambulance Education Emergency Service Director. After considering the added responsibility of the position, Commissioner Wicks moved that the hours be increased from 18 hours a pay period to 27 hours a pay period. Commissioner Tempel seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. Commissioner Hendrickson abstained from the discussion and vote.

911

The Dispatchers have been in training on the new 911 system.

WEED DEPARTMENT

Jim Ghekiere reported that he has filled the positions for the Weed Departments summer crews.

DNRC

The Commissioners complete an application for the State Historic Road Easement that crosses state land on Pugsley Road. It will be mailed to the state for approval.

Commissioner Tempel met with Michelle Turval of Bear Paw Development about Sage Creek Water adding to their Water Meter Project with an additional water line.

HRDC

Commissioner Tempel attended the HRDC joint meeting with Head Start, which was followed by the regular HRDC board meeting.

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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April 26th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

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CLAIMS

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

PAYROLL

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

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes reported that the rain this week has been making it difficult to maintain the roads. The Road Department will be going to Great Falls to pick up the tank for the Mag Chloride project. A few applications for the Road Crew position opening have been submitted. It was discussed that the position should be not only for a mechanic but also cross trained to be an operator. The Commissioners decided to have the Road Department purchase another tank for the Mag Chloride project.

TIBER WATER

Commissioner Wicks attended the monthly meeting for the Tiber Water Board. Part of the meeting was about the recent storm and power outages that were caused by it. Tiber Water did not lose any of their pumps from the power outages.

EMS

Commissioner Hendrickson attended the monthly EMS meeting. The EMS crew practiced using the KED splint for vehicle extraction.

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Liberty County Road Department shop was inspected by the Montana Department of Labor. Breanna McDougall, compliance specialists of the Safety Bureau, did the inspection. Some issues were found and will be addressed.

DENISE JUNEAU

Denise Juneau from the Office of Public Instruction, met with the Commissioners to introduce herself. Denise is currently running for United States Representative on the Democratic ballot.

MONICA LINDEEN

Monica Lindeen, the Commissioner of Security and Insurance, met with the Commissioners to introduce herself. Monica is currently running for Secretary of State on the Democratic ballot.

LIBERTY COUNTY MUSEUM

The Liberty County Museum held their board meeting in the Commissioner's 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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