

May 3rd, 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.

TRIANGLE TELEPHONE

Triangle Telephone asked for a road crossing on 400 Road South. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Wicks seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

LEPC

The Commissioners attended the LEPC meeting. Some of the discussion included flu season and LMC will be hosting some Emergency Medical Training in June. Brenda Wickum, Public Health Disaster Planning Director, presented a new truck wreck protocol. The protocol was reviewed and accepted. We will be hosting social media training on July 5, 2016. LMC talked about the Farms Safety Day that was hosted by LMC, Liberty County Fire and EMS, and Extension Office. The attendance was not as high as hoped for, but was still a success.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes was in to discuss the state of the roads. Last week's rain storm left some of them in poor condition. The Road Crew is currently grading them and three of the employees worked on Saturday and Sunday to restore the roads. The Commissioners were very grateful for their hard work.

HIGHWAY PATROL

Sergeant Jason Wickum, Montana Highway Patrol, met with the Commissioners to discuss the planned self-defense training for the Courthouse staff. Sergeant Wickum recommended some types of pepper spray and had some samples to look at. The items selected and ordered for the training. After speaking with the Courthouse staff, Sergeant Wickum will tailor the training to their needs and concerns. The training will take place at the Courthouse on May 11, 2016.

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Green Ash trees for the Senior Center were order and the dirt work will be done beforehand by the Road Department. Senior of the year was discussed. Volunteer Day will be held on September 15, 2016.

WEED DEPARTMENT

The commissioners reviewed the Noxious Weed Trust Fund Project Grant Agreement for Lake Elwell-Marias River Weed Control Project 2016 MDA number 6016-041. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to approve the agreement and Commissioner Wicks seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

JUSTICE COURT

Justice of the Peace Holly Frederickson updated the Commissioners about the judge's school that she attended in Billings last week. She said that it was a great conference. She reported that her court has been very busy. Jeannie Fauerbach, the Justice Clerk, is on vacation at this time.

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

ATTEST: _____**Clerk**

Chairman**May 4th, 2016 ♦ Wednesday**

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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.

EXTENSION

Agent Jesse Fulbright met with the Commissioners to discuss 4-H interviews that were scheduled this week. Commissioner Wicks will be part of the interviews.

MACO SAFETY COMMITTEE AUDIT

Emelia McEwen from MACO was here to audit Liberty County for the Current year. Tina Wood, insurance agent, Julie Gagnon, Glenda Hanson, Commissioner Wicks, Commissioner Tempel, and Commissioner Hendrickson were present. The audit went very well. There are a few issues that we need to improve upon, which we documented and will implement a plan to fix these issues.

COMMISSIONER OUT OF STATE

Commissioner Hendrickson requested to be out of state. Commissioner Wicks made a motion to approve the request and Commissioner Tempel seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

MUSEUM

The Commissioners helped with the removal of some boxes out of the Museum office and helped to change some light bulbs.

STOCKYARDS

The Commissioners met with Brand Inspector Dick Burrows to look at the proposed stockyards renovation. They will be meeting with the representatives from Heritage Wood Products to discuss the project.

COUNTY ATTORNEY INTERVIEW

The Commissioners interviewed for the County Attorney position. After two interviews, Commissioner Hendrickson made the motion to offer the position to Robert Padmos upon his passing of the Montana State Bar Exam. Commissioner Wicks seconded and 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.

ATTEST: _____

Clerk

Chairman

May 10th, 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.

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Commissioners reviewed the lease from the MDOT for gravel storage by the County Shop. Commissioner Wicks made a motion to approve the lease and was seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion passed with all in favor.

MUSEUM

Commissioner Wicks attended the Museum Board meeting on Friday, May 6, 2016.

HRDC

Commissioner Tempel attended an onsite construction meeting for the Antelope Court Project, a low income project, with the HRDC board in Havre's south end.

Section 1.12 Short Term Investment Pool, STIP, or Program shall mean the Board's Short Term Investment Pool Program as authorized by law and as more fully defined and described in the Board's policies and procedures, as may be amended from time to time.

ARTICLE II

SHORT TERM INVESTMENT POOL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Section 2.01 Participation Agreement. By approving and adopting this Resolution and Exhibits A and B, the Governing Body requests and agrees to participation of Participant in the STIP Program, and agrees that Participant will comply with and be bound by all laws, policies, procedures and participation requirements applicable to the STIP Program, as may be amended from time to time.

Section 2.02 STIP Program Description. The STIP Program is an investment program administered under the direction of the Montana Board of Investments as authorized by the Unified Investment Program. As more fully set forth in Board policies and procedures, STIP is available to state and local governments to serve their short term cash flow and deposit needs and its objectives are to preserve capital and to maintain high liquidity. The Program has the following attributes, as more fully set forth in applicable Board policies, procedures and participation requirements, which are subject to change upon the sole determination of the Board:

- 1) STIP transactions are fixed at \$1 per share;
2) STIP interest on pool assets accrues daily;
3) STIP earnings distribution method: Interest is distributed at the beginning of the month and can be distributed as cash to the designated Bank or the earnings can be reinvested into STIP;
4) Buying or selling shares in STIP requires one (1) business days' notice; transactions for which notice is received after 2:00 p.m., will be processed two (2) business days after receipt of the original notice;
5) Access to STIP is only through an electronic, web-based portal; no cash, checks or notifications by fax, phone or email will be accepted;
6) STIP's web portal provides real-time information on each account including: investment balances, buys, sells, pending transactions, and transaction notes, as determined by the authorized user; and
7) The Board accounts and reports on its financial statement STIP investment on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis. A NAV per share of a STIP unit will be shown on the Board's website for each month-end period http://investments.mt.com/Assets/NAV/AssetValue.

Section 2.03 Review of Policies, Procedures and Participation Requirements. Participant acknowledges and represents that it has reviewed to its satisfaction all Board policies, procedures and participation requirements applicable to the STIP Program. http://investments.mt.com/STIP/

Section 2.04 Authorized Representative: The Governing Body designates Gayle H. Dahlen, who holds the position of Treasurer, as the Participant's Authorized Representative to make transactions between STIP and the Bank.

The Governing Body (check one) DOES [] DOES NOT [] allow the Authorized Representative to appoint and delete additional Authorized Delegate(s) on behalf of the Participant. If "DOES" is checked, any addition or deletion of an Authorized Delegate requires notice via the submission of a completed Exhibit A (STIP Participation Information Sheet) to the Board by the Authorized Representative before transactions will be accepted and processed as directed by the Authorized Delegate.

The Governing Body designates and authorizes Participant's Bank, (the Bank), identified in Exhibit B attached, designating the Account Number and ABA Number to send or transfer funds to the State Treasurer for purchase of STIP shares and to deposit distributions of and withdraw proceeds resulting from sales of STIP shares in the Bank's Account identified in Exhibit B attached which is a (check one) checking account [] savings account []

with only those parties it determines are qualified and authorized to participate in the Program and which abide by the Board's policies, procedures and participation requirements; that the Board administers the STIP Program subject to Montana law and prudent fiduciary practices as required by Montana law and Board policy; and that the Board is legally bound to manage the Unified Investment Program, which includes STIP, in accordance with the prudent expert rule as set forth in Montana law.

Section 3.06 STIP Not Insured Against Loss. The Governing Body and Participant understand and acknowledge that the Board's STIP Program is NOT FDIC insured or otherwise insured or guaranteed by the federal government, the State of Montana, the Board or any other entity against investment losses. The Governing Body and Participant further understand and acknowledge that the Board's STIP policy requires maintenance of a reserve fund to offset possible losses and that STIP interest earnings may be used to fund this reserve before the net earnings are distributed to the STIP Participants, but that such reserves may not be adequate to cover investment losses.

ARTICLE IV

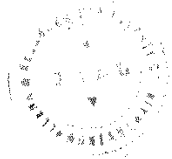
EXHIBITS A AND B

Section 4.01 Approval and Adoption of Exhibits A and B. Attached to this Resolution as Exhibits A and B, are the STIP Participation Information Sheet, and the Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization Form, which together provide the instructions and the details required by the Board to enable Participant's participation in the STIP Program. The Governing Body and Participant represent and agree that the attached Exhibits A and B have been completed and executed by the Participant's Authorized Representative and that Exhibits A and B must be complete and acceptable to the Board before participation will be allowed in the STIP Program. Exhibits A and B are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Resolution, and are approved and adopted by the Governing Body as if set forth fully herein.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners this 10 day of May, 2016.

By: Russ Weyer, Chairman

Attest: Angel Colby, Clerk and Recorder



The Governing Body (check one) DOES [] DOES NOT [] allow the Authorized Representative to change either the Bank or the Account; if "DOES" is checked, the Board will notify both the office of the Authorized Representative AND the office of the Governing Body within three (3) business days that such a change has been made.

The Governing Body (check one) DOES [] DOES NOT [] allow the Authorized Representative to change the earnings distribution method; if DOES NOT is checked, the Governing Body chooses the following earnings distribution method (check one) reinvest cash earnings into STIP [] distribute cash earnings to the Bank []

Section 2.05 Change of Authorized Representative. Any change to the Authorized Representative requires a new Resolution adopted by the Governing Body; however the absence of an Authorized Representative does not nullify the authority of the Authorized Delegate(s) then in effect and so authorized to make STIP transactions.

Section 2.06 Annual Confirmation. The Board will provide on an annual basis to both the Governing Body and the Authorized Representative the following information as appears on the Board's records:

- 1. The name of the Authorized Representative;
2. The name(s) of any Authorized Delegate(s); and
3. The name of the Bank and the associated Account Number (truncated).

Section 2.07 Effective Date. Participant's Agreement as set forth in this Resolution will take effect when the Certificate as to Resolution and Adopting Vote, this Resolution and Exhibits A and B, each completed, dated and duly executed, are delivered to and received by the Board and will stay in effect until terminated in writing by the Governing Body.

ARTICLE III

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 3.01 No Guaranteed Return. The Governing Body understands and agrees that there is no minimum or maximum amount of interest rate or any guaranteed rate of return on STIP shares or funds invested in STIP shares.

Section 3.02 Voluntary Participation. By adopting this Resolution, the Governing Body acknowledges that it is not compelled to participate in STIP, and that its participation in STIP is voluntary, and accepts and agrees to the Program, its administration and governance, and its policies, procedures and participation requirements as set forth by law and the Board.

Section 3.03 Responsibility for Participant Mistakes. The Governing Body and Participant agree to hold the State of Montana, the Board, and their members, officials and employees harmless for the acts, omissions and mistakes of the Participant, Governing Body and their members, officials and employees, including but not limited to: Authorized Representative or Authorized Delegate who, for any reason, is not qualified or properly listed with the Board as a permissible representative to authorize transactions using the STIP Program; wrong instructions as to amounts or timing of sales or purchases; or missed deadlines.

Section 3.04 No Warranty. The Governing Body and Participant acknowledge and agree that the Board makes no warranty that funds will be immediately available in the event of any failure of a third party or that Governing Body will not suffer losses due to acts of God, or other calamities, or other market dislocations or interruptions.

Section 3.05 Participation Conditions, STIP Administration. The Governing Body and Participant acknowledge and agree that the Board will allow participation in STIP by and conduct STIP business

Exhibit A

STIP PARTICIPATION INFORMATION SHEET form containing fields for STIP Program Manager, Participant Information, Authorized Representative details, and Investment/Earnings information.

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Exhibit B

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION FORM			
STIP Program Manager Montana Board of Investments boi_stip@mt.gov			
PO Box 200126 Phone 406.444.0003		Helena, MT 59620-0126 Fax 406.444.4268	
Local Government Name:	LIBERTY COUNTY		
STIP Account #: <i>(For official use only)</i>			
I, the undersigned, a duly Authorized Representative of the local governing board, hereby authorize the Montana Board of Investments to initiate electronic debit and/or credit to the following account. The Authorized Representative acknowledges the origination of ACH transactions to the listed account complies with the provisions of U.S. law.			
Any sale, purchase, or distribution of funds will be made by Electronic Funds Transfer or wire debiting or crediting the appropriate treasury or shareholder bank account. Please specify the local government depository.			
Check one transaction type only.			
Checking Account <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Savings Account <input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of Bank	WELLS FARGO	Routing/ABA No	092905278
Address	PO BOX 580 (11 E ADAMS)		
City	CHESTER	State	MT Zip 59522
Account Number	0709070189		
I hereby certify as the Authorized Representative of the STIP Participant that all of the information contained herein is true, accurate and complete as of the date hereof.			
Signature	<i>Gayle H. Dahlen</i>	Date	05/09/2016
Printed Name	GAYLE H. DAHLEN	Title	TREASURER
Please notify the Montana Board of Investments if you have applied a filter or a block to your account.			

JUSTICE COURT

Holly Frederickson met with the Commissioners to update them on the proceedings in the Justice Court. There was a trial set for today but was effected by a change of plea. The court remains to be very busy.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk
Chairman

May 11th, 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.

ELECTED OFFICIAL OUT OF STATE

Holly Frederickson requested permission to be out of state May 18, 2016 through May 23, 2016. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to approve the request and Commissioner Wicks seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

SAFETY TRAINING

The Commissioners hosted a meeting dealing with personal defense. The presenters of the meeting were Sheriff Doug Riffin and Montana HWY Patrol Sergeant Jason Wickum. The class was offered to the Library, Courthouse, Dispatcher, and Senior Center employees. The information from the training was well received. We hope that no one has to use it!

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk
Chairman

May 17th, 2016 ♦ Tuesday

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners attended the District 4 and 5 MACO meeting in Conrad.

GRAVEL

Jerry Fenger met with the Commissioners to sign a contract for 20,000 yards of gravel from the pit located on Pugsley Road. The price will be \$8.50 a yard and gravel will be measured by Cicon and Associates. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to approve the contract. Commissioner Tempel seconded and 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.

ATTEST: _____

Clerk

Chairman

May 24th, 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.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

The Commissioners met with the Road Crew staff after the untimely death of Road Department Supervisor Marc Holmes. They discussed staffing and the upcoming schedule for the Road Crew.

INSURANCE

The Commissioners reviewed the increased in the health insurance premiums. The Commissioners voted to increase the health insurance premium amount contributed by the County from \$732.00 to \$792.00 for employees working 30-40 hours per week and from \$366.00 to \$396.00 for employees working 20-29 hours per week. Commissioner Wicks voted to approve the increase and Commissioner Hendrickson seconded. The motion passed with all in favor.

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.

PUBLIC HEALTH

The Commissioners reviewed the Maternal Child Health Block Grant for the year 2016-2017. The amount of funding was for \$2,154.00. Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion to sign the grant. Commissioner Wicks seconded and it passed with all in favor.

COURTHOUSE CAMERAS

The Commissioners met with Sheriff Riggan and Tom Plunket with Alert Security to review the placement of the security cameras and the possibility of adding more cameras. Tom will be meeting with the Commissioners to review a price list.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

The Commissioners met with Robert Padmos to discuss his position of the new County Attorney. Sheriff Riggan, Hugh Brown, and Holly Fredrickson were in attendance of the meeting.

JOPLIN PARK

The Commissioners attended a meeting at the Joplin Park to discuss the possibility of placing a 15 MPH sign around the park. People in attendance of the meeting requested that the Sheriff's Department enforce the new speed limit. Sheriff Riggan stated that the Sheriff's Department would try to help enforce

it. The condition of the roads in Joplin was also discussed and the Commissioners agreed to have them graded by the Road Department.

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

ATTEST: _____

Clerk

Chairman

May 31st, 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.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Tempel met with the Road Crew to discuss some of the projects that they are working on. The Commissioners are accepting applications for two positions on the Road Crew at this time. Interviews will be held next week. The Road Crew is working on grading the roads that are currently in the poorest condition. The streets of Joplin were graded last week. The Road Crew will be reorganized to fill some of the open positions.

WEED DEPARTMENT

Jim Ghekiere met with the Commissioners to discuss the beginning of weed season. He will have a full seasonal crew beginning next week. The crew has been putting on ground sterilant for the BOR and will be starting on the shoulders of the road. Jim has been helping out in the Road Department and will continue until the open positions in the Road Crew have been filled.

SAFETY

The Safety Committee met to go over the list of items that the Department of Labor and Industry found lacking in the County Shop. Most of the items have been addressed and others have been ordered. They spoke with Breanna at the Montana Department of Labor and Industry to inform her of the issues that we are facing at this time. Julie Gagnon took the official minutes of the meeting.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson met with the Commissioners to discuss the issue that she is having with the handicap door at the south entrance of the Senior Center. A technician has been called to inspect the door.

JOPLIN

The City of Chester will be spraying for mosquitos before the Joplin Car Show.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

Kathy Armstrong met with the Commissioners to discuss issues for School District 10. The district is still looking to hire three teachers.

JUSTICE COURT

Holly Frederickson met with the Commissioners. The Justice Court continues to be very busy.

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

ATTEST: _____

Clerk

Chairman