

June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 ♦ Wednesday

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 Russ Tempel, and Commissioner Rlynn Rockman.

PAYROLL

Payroll was reviewed. A few corrections were made. Commissioner Rockman made the motion to accept for payment the payroll as it has been amended. Commissioner Tempel seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

INSURANCE ISSUE

The Commissioners telephoned Tina Wood of Wood Enterprises about insurance on volunteer week-end bus drivers for the Senior Center activities. The County must keep track of the volunteer's hours, then worker's comp deductions will be paid on those hours based on "bus driver hourly wages" or at least the hourly minimum wage schedule. Rod Keith and payroll clerk Cyndee Fraser were notified of this information.

SENIOR CENTER PROJECT

Tina Wood received a quote on a "Builder's Risk" policy for the new center. Based on a \$1.3 million project, the quote is ± \$1,281.00. This issue will need to be addressed when the construction actually begins.

LIBERTY COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING & TAC MEETING

Commissioner Tempel attended this meeting on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 for Commissioner Rockman. Updates on the new center were discussed; a pre-bid meeting with WAG will be held on 6-7-10 at 9:00 AM, a pre-bid walk-thru will be held on 6-7-10 at 10:00 AM, and the bid opening will be held on 6-15-10. The only other issue by the TAC was the question of insurance for volunteer bus drivers.

AGREEMENT WITH OMIMEX

The Commissioners received a letter from the Montana Department of Revenue (from Lee Baerlocker, Bureau Chief), that summaries of their agreement(s) with Omimex Canada Ltd on settlement for tax years 2006-2009. Liberty County's net settlement for these years is \$277,858. Treasurer Dahlen has this information.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

- The annual Montana Association of Oil, Gas & Coal Counties' meeting will be held June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Choteau, Montana.
- Montana Department of Labor & Industry sent a letter indicating our new Senior Center project has been approved for construction. Our building inspector will be Kyle Harlan. All future correspondence should include the assigned reference number (#10-0325).
- Russell Country board members Pat Ludwig & Betty Marshall have terms that will expire on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

ROAD

Shawn Norick reports that a culvert on Laird Road has been repaired and the road is now open. Roads in southern Liberty County are very wet – too wet to grade. Shawn received several bids from CAT (via Pester) on new graders: 160M Motorgrader = \$264,000; 160M AWD Motorgrader = \$288,000; a used 160M with approximately 2,000 hours = \$190,000; our trade-in is estimated at \$70,000.

CONFERENCE CALL / ANNMARIE ROBINSON

A conference call was held with Annmarie Robinson. Commissioner Tempel, Commissioner Rockman and Rod Keith participated in the conference. The group discussed the updated on the flood plain issue. Per Cicon's we can prepare a LOMR-F at their fee of approximately \$3,500 with two options:

- ~ \$5,500 { 1. At present the retention ponds are below base elevation, so Morrison-Maierle will have to revise the drawings so the ponds will be moved to the right-of-way (Morrison-Maierle fees may be about \$500). Then the city will be asked to approve the new plans. The FEMA fees will be \$800 for the permit and \$700 for final approval.
- ~ \$4,400 2. The County can also have the building excluded from the flood pain. There is a \$500 paper fee, and approximately a 45 day approval period. There will be a final inspection fee of \$325 after the project is complete.

After discussion, Annmarie was asked to pursue option 1 so that the flood plain will be totally gone for future expansion, etc.

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

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

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Chairman

June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 ♦ Monday

**SENIOR CENTER PROJECT WITH WAG**

JUNE 7, 2010

MINUTES OF MEETING WITH "WAG" at 9:00 a.m.:

Russ T. & Rlynn R. were present at this meeting with Russ W., Rod K., Jane A., Harry H., Bill G., Gary J., and AnnMarie R.

Prior to beginning the meeting, the Title IV notification was given to everyone present.

Some final details about the project were discussed. Russ W. reports that there is about 9000 sq. ft. of asphalt at approx. \$4.50/sq.ft. = approx. \$40,000. In addition, the kitchen equipment came in at about \$127,000.

The following ADD Alternates will be considered:

SENIOR CENTER SIDE: (1)Canopy on the front entry; (2)Asphalt paving to West Lot; (3)Landscaping & irrigation; and (4)Gas fireplace.

TRANSPORATION SIDE: (1)Column with stone veneer on S.W. front; (2)Asphalt paving to East side in alleyway; and (3)Extending the building another 8' to the east.

The flood plain issue was explained by AnnMarie. Option#1 is to simply take the building out of the FP (cost = approx. \$4300). Option#2 is to take the entire property out of the FP (cost = approx. \$7300). Option#2 will cost about \$3000 more (due to \$500 in FEMA fees and \$2500 in civil engineering redraws). After the redraws, we must again approach the Town of Chester for approval (as the proposed drainage fields will be moved to the street boulevards). Russ W. does not anticipate any complications for the city on this issue. The FP issue will take approx. 60 days to resolve.

Russ W. showed us a current PLAN HOLDER'S LIST.

AnnMarie provided us with an updated SPREADSHEET FOR FUNDING. Thus far, we have spent approx. \$89,000 (estimated pmts. to WAG = \$76,000; SK Geotech = \$5000; and Mt. Dept. of Labor & Industry = \$8000).

MINUTES AT THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE at 10:00 a.m.:

Eleven bidders (generals & subs) attended the pre-bid conference.

Russ W. explained the summary of work and the bidding information. He addressed specific permits required by contractors vs. permits already obtained/provided by the county. He also explained that the county will provide "Builder's Risk Insurance" and that the flood plain issue should have no add'l bearing/costs to the bidding process. The county will be responsible for City tapping & connecting fees. And the county will (apparently) pay SK Geotech for a 2-day inspection during the site & compaction process. The county will provide the required lean clay and crushed gravel at the construction site. Russ informed the group that the total project budget is \$1.2 million. Work on the project will begin in mid-July. Russ encouraged the use of local subs & workers, if possible.

AnnMarie explained the funding specifics re: grants, ARRA, MDOT, etc.; Davis-Bacon wages & heavy equipment operators; use of American-made products; and information about billing/payment dates to those awarded the contract(s).

The contractors asked many questions for clarification. Russ W. took pertinent notes and will address several of these items in his planned amendment sheets. They also asked if the BIDDING DATE could be extended beyond the planned date of June 15<sup>th</sup>. After some discussion, we agreed to have the BID OPENING at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday (June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010).

Submitted by Rlynn Rockman

June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 ♦ 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: Chairman Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Russ Tempel, and Commissioner Rlynn Rockman.

#### MONTANA INTEROPERABILITY

Marty Angel stopped in to update the Commissioners on the Northern Tier. He's willing to assist us with updating inventories, the trunking process, and any paperwork details.

#### LEPC

The three commissioners attended the monthly LEPC meeting and Marty Angel came as an informative guest. Darrell Stafford offered a COOP / COG annex for initial approval; the annex will be sent to Ed Gierke.

#### ROAD

- The County has received the two Case tractors for our use (250 hours) at an extremely reasonable lease.
- Shawn discussed culvert issues near Steve Romain's on the county line road.
- Dust treatment has not yet been done on #366 by the Rocky Boy Water project.
- Dayton Kolstad wants to buy a culvert from the County.
- Hutterites are considering buying a crusher and they will be willing to sell gravel.
- The Commissioners called Tiber Tractor about their "grade-all"s. A 12-footer costs \$3,900. The Town of Chester has one that the County can probably "test".

#### AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS

County Attorney Hugh Brown gave the Commissioners a letter addressed to Dave Stelling of the FFA regarding the recommendation of the award for the resurfacing project to Knife River of Kalispell. The bidding process had some "irregularities" and "technicalities" that had to be addressed.

#### DES

Ed Gierke was not at the LEPC meeting to discuss the County's recent decisions related to DES coordinator Darrell Stafford. Therefore, the Commissioners mailed Ed Gierke a copy of the appropriate documents.

#### CATERPILLAR (GREAT FALLS)

Kraig Pester and Tom Goesack met with the Commissioners and Road Supervisor about motor graders. Price for a new CAT 160-M is approximately \$280,000. Fergus County is presently trading in two 163H's, year 2006 with 3500 hours; the cost of these are approximately \$160,000. The County has a grader for trade-in (2002 CAT 140H with 7000 hours). Kraig valued it at \$70,000. Therefore, we can trade-up on either of these two machines for \$90,000, plus we would need to buy a ripper / valve for approximately \$15,000. The warranty would be 180 days with a \$1000 deductible; extended warranty is probably negotiable. Kraig claims that the 163 H's are the most popular and retain their values best.

#### RDO / JOHN DEERE

The Commissioners telephoned Jerry Ridgeway. A new John Deere motor-grader 872 G-P would cost approximately \$195,000 with our trade-in.

#### TRANSPORTATION

- Rod Keith was in to report that Shawna and Julane will be practicing at the airport tarmac tonight for the "Bus Rodeo" in Missoula this weekend.
- Rod will attend the transportation meetings in Havre on June 9-10<sup>th</sup>.
- Commodities will be arriving this afternoon and delivered to 14 households tomorrow.

#### HRDC MEETING

Commissioner Tempel attended an HRDC meeting in Havre on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>; this was the HRDC executive board joint meeting with Head Start.

#### ENTITLEMENT FUNDS

The County has received notification from the state that Liberty County's FY2011 Entitlement share payment will be approximately \$307,000 (up approximately \$8,000 from FY2010).

#### MACO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The three Commissioners completed an on-line evaluation of MACo's executive director, Harold Blattie, as requested.

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

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

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Chairman

**June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 ♦ Wednesday**

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: Chairman Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Russ Tempel, and Commissioner Rlynn Rockman.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING**

In addition to the three County Commissioners those present for the monthly department head meeting were Shawn Norick, Rachel Ghekiere, Anne Melton, Jim Ghekiere, and Rhonda Pimley. Shawn reported on recent culvert and road issues due to weather. Rachel reported school is out and she is now involved in end of the year paperwork. Jim reported that for the summer he has a 4-man crew which is doing good work; he has an extra HRDC student to be hired as "flexible" help. Anne recently attended training. She also reported Marriage certificates are now on-line. Rhonda reported on the election; all went smoothly. Budgets are next on the agenda.

**ROAD**

Shawn visited with the Commissioners about recent inquires regarding motor graders and the pro's and con's of new versus used. The group also discussed the 16-foot blades, which may be too much for power capabilities of the used graders.

**AIRPORT**

Marvin Krook and Ray Standiford were telephoned regarding trees in their yards that are too high for the flight pattern to the airport.

**CLAIMS**

Commissioner Tempel made the motion to approve for payment the claims as they have been presented. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**BNSF**

Richard Flink, from BNSF inquired with the Commissioners about the railroad crossings in our area; and how much traffic they have and the chances of closing them. The Commissioners said that they want them kept open.

**RDO / JOHN DEERE**

Jerry Ridgeway of RDO talked with the Commissioners about graders. He will get back to the Commissioners with some prices.

**SENIOR CENTER**

Rod Keith informed the Commissioners that he has hired Julie Gagnon to the part-time transit position.

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

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

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Chairman

**June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 ♦ 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: Chairman Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Russ Tempel, and Commissioner Rlynn Rockman.

#### **CLAIMS**

Several claims were presented for approval. Commissioner Rockman made the motion to approve the claims for payment. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

#### **CEMETERY BOARD MEETING**

Commissioner Rockman attended a cemetery board meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The two young men from the weed department, Tyler Hull and Charlie Diemert, did a nice job with Terry Thielman in getting the cemeteries in good shape for Memorial Day; there were many favorable public comments! Terry requested to purchase a nice air-compressor for the cemetery shop; the board recommended he research / purchase it this month with monies in 2009-2010 FY budget. There has been no official notice, but board member Ron Wolery may have to be replaced.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Commissioners ran a "Card of Thanks" to everyone who participated in our successful primary election (Liberty County Times dated 6-16-2010).

#### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Rod Keith attended the city council meeting on Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the change in location of the swale ponds at the Senior Center project to satisfy FEMA. The council approved the new plans as defined by Rod.

#### **BOR SITES**

On Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010, Commissioner Tempel and Shawn Norick took Greg May to Lake Elwell to locate the two sites near the Marina. Dale Carlstad leveled the sites so the foundation work can begin.

#### **JOPLIN SEWER EASEMENT**

Commissioner Tempel took the easement papers to Steve Dahinden for signature. It was filed with the Clerk & Recorder. Steve requested the power-line road be graded to remove some large rocks. After discussion, the Commissioners decided to put a 5:1 slope on a 28' road on this on-mile stretch. Shawn was notified.

#### **ROAD**

Shawn Norick was in to discuss road issues. He is presently working with the new HRDC employee. The commissioners will schedule this young man wherever he's needed. The engine in the Valtra is "shot". This was confirmed by James Dahlen. A rebuilt will run approximately \$7,000. Shawn reports there is some money in this Fiscal Year's budget, so we told him to get it fixed.

#### **PAYROLL**

Payroll was submitted. Commissioner Rockman made the motion to approve for payment the payroll as it has been submitted. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

A claim of \$323.01 to reimburse Ted Zorn for accumulated vacation and sick leave was submitted. Commissioner Rockman made the motion to approve this claim for payment. Commissioner Tempel seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**HRDC EMPLOYEE**

Shawn Norick brought the new HRDC employee (Albert Colantuono) to meet the Commissioners. His schedule was discussed.

**CTEP**

The Commissioners, Chamber of Commerce, Lion's Club, and Town of Chester will meet in mid-July to finalize the CTEP project at the Lion's Park.

**MUSEUM BOARD**

The three Commissioners attended the Liberty County Museum Board meeting. HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1. Current balance in memorial account = \$18,952
- 2. Recent gifts include \$3,000 from the Reiland Fund, \$50 from Triangle Telephone, and \$20 memorial gift.
- 3. Museum just acquired a new laptop computer.
- 4. Current projects include residing the old school house and repairing the threshold / entry on the Gau building.
- 5. Several old equipment items have recently been donated and news stories will follow.
- 6. The Museum is finalizing their plans and involvement in the Chester Centennial Celebration.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

A RISK ALERT was sent by Jack Holstrom (MACo) regarding an e-mail to Commissioners from Laura Nelson (representing Philanthropic Professionals, Inc). Take heed not to use public time, facilities, equipment, supplies, personnel, or funds to obtain signatures relating to ballot issues.

**SENIOR CENTER PROJECT**

The Commissioners asked the Cicon's to visit with them regarding the flood plain paperwork. Rudy Cicon and Bill Albee offered info:

- 1. Submit a CLOMR-F [conditional letter of map revision (based on fill)] with our current plans, which show the detention ponds in our property – to FEMA. Bill Albee has been working with a man named Baker. The base elevation established per Bill's calculation is 3,132 . The County will initially apply to take out the building only, which Bill thinks will be easily approved.
- 2. Then the County can apply for total removal of property from the flood plain.

**RDO EQUIPMENT**

Jerry Ridgeway stopped in to discuss a "spec package" and some quotes on John Deere motorgraders. The Commissioners will keep him informed on our deliberations.

**LIBERTY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

Commissioner Rockman attended the 60-year anniversary appreciation dinner of the Liberty County Conservation District on June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The guest speaker, Joyce Sartzendruber (Montana NRCS State Conservationist), addressed the group on the history of the Conservation Districts.

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

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

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Chairman

**LIBERTY MEDICAL CENTER BOARD MEETING**

Commissioner Hendrickson attended the Hospital Board meeting held on Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. The budget was discussed. Future mill levy amounts were thrown around; it was agreed that final amount will be set at next meeting.

**June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 ♦ Thursday**

**POST ELECTION AUDIT**

All three Commissioners were present on the above stated date to observe the Post-Election Audit that is required by the State.

Four community members (Mike Walstad, Dana Lalum, Betty Ann Wolery, and Maureen Wicks) were here to complete a "hand-tally" to confirm the votes.

This audit committee was sworn in by Election Administrator Rhonda Pimley prior to completing the process.

There was a minimal deviation in the results. The group scrutinized the ballots to look for any "questionable" markings. The 13 ballots selected were run through the counting machine and all came out as marked/voted. We found no explanation for the discrepancy in our physical/manual count versus the actual machine count.

The audit committee signed all pertinent forms and were thanked for their participation.

**SENIOR CITIZEN PROJECT**

The Commissioners made a telephone call to Annmarie Robinson about our discussion with Rudy Cicon and Bill Albee. She is agreeable to our decision to start the process with the CLOMR-F. Cicon's were notified (via Glenn Wolfe) with permission to get going on this as soon as possible.

Rudy Cicon telephoned back to report that Bill will get on this next week. They will call with info regarding FEMA fees, which must accompany the application.

Also, Rudy reported that Jeff Cicon (of Morrison-Maierle) has already done the plan revisions.

**June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 ♦ Monday**

**8:00 am to Noon**

Commissioners Tempel and Rockman were in the office to observe additional ballot auditing from the primary election.

The audit committee includes Mike Walstad, Maureen Wicks, Betty Ann Wolery, and Dana Lalum. Election Administrator Rhonda Pimley supervised the process.

Generalized Findings:

- The absentee ballots (that were folded/creased) were run through the counting machine, revealing a few of the discrepancies.
- The ballots marked with "pencils" were run through the counting machine with no discrepancies.
- A ballot marked with a thin blue ink pen revealed one of the discrepancies. It was run through a second time with the same discrepancy.
- It's the machine

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 ♦ 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: Chairman Larry Hendrickson and Commissioner Russ Tempel.

**PRIMARY ELECTION CANVASS**

The County Commissioners along with Election Administrator Rhonda Pimley, canvassed the votes of the Primary Election held on Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**CLAIMS**

Commissioner Tempel made the motion to approve for payment the claims as they have been submitted. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**WEED DEPARTMENT**

Jim Ghekiere came in and visited with the Commissioners about upgrading the Weed Department radios. He will order one new handheld and three new mobile radios ranging in price from \$530 - \$595.

Commissioner Tempel made the motion to allow / make available for use up to \$65,000 from Oil & Gas fund #2899, as may be necessary, for the purpose of the new Senior Center Building project. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 10-11**

Commissioner Tempel made the motion to adopt Resolution #10-11, which will allocate \$65,000 from the Oil & Gas fund to the Senior Center Building fund; and obligates \$77,860 from the Senior Center Building fund and/or the Transit Building fund for the construction of the Senior Center and Transit Facility. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION No. 10-11

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO THE SENIOR CENTER AND TRANSIT FACILITY PROJECT**

WHEREAS, THE COUNTY HAS RECEIVED A \$450,000 GRANT FROM MT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, \$350,000 GRANT FROM MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND \$137,658 GRANT THROUGH HOUSE BILL 645; AND

WHEREAS, THE COUNTY APPLIED FOR A \$266,472 LOAN FROM TRIANGLE TELEPHONE

WHEREAS, THE COUNTY HAS OBLIGATED \$242,674 OF LOCAL FUNDS THROUGH THE SENIOR CENTER BUILDING FUND (FUND #4990) AND TRANSIT BUILDING FUND (#4991); AND

WHEREAS, ON JUNE 22, 2010, LIBERTY COUNTY OPENED BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SENIOR CENTER AND TRANSIT FACILITY; AND

WHEREAS, BIDS EXCEEDED THE AVAILABLE FUNDS.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE LIBERTY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEREBY:

- 1. ALLOCATES \$65,000 FROM THE OIL AND GAS FUND (FUND #2899) TO SENIOR CENTER BUILDING FUND (FUND #4990);
- 2. OBLIGATES \$77,860 FROM THE SENIOR CENTER BUILDING (FUND #4990) AND/OR TRANSIT BUILDING FUND (FUND #4991) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SENIOR CENTER AND TRANSIT FACILITY.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF LIBERTY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION THIS 22<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2010, AT CHESTER, MONTANA.

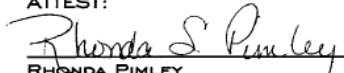
BOARD OF LIBERTY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CHESTER MONTANA

  
LARRY HENDRICKSON, CHAIR

  
RUSS TEMPEL, COMMISSIONER

  
RLYNN ROCKMAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

  
RHONDA PIMLEY  
COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER





**BID OPENING / SENIOR CENTER PROJECT**

The bid opening for the Senior Center project was held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, in the Liberty County Courtroom. Those present for the opening included: Commissioner Hendrickson, Commissioner Tempel, Clerk & Recorder Rhonda Pimley, Russ Wolfe (WAG), Annmarie Robinson, Pat Ludwig (Liberty Council on Aging), Betty Marshall (Liberty Council on Aging), Autumn Lineweaver (Clausen and Sons), Justin Wickum (Dick Anderson Construction), Mark Buffut (MBA Construction), Gary Jensen (Liberty Council on Aging), Rick Richter (Swank Enterprises), Deb Ferguson (Matriarch Construction), Curtis May (Greg May Construction), Rodney Keith (Senior Citizens Director), Jason Martel (Martel Construction, Inc), and Colton Fatz (Wadsworth Builders).

Commissioner Hendrickson welcomed the group and read the law pertaining to the Title IV notification. Russ Wolfe of WAG then gave a brief description of the process, and proceeded to begin the opening of the bids.

**Bid Opening Details:**

1. Clausen & Sons Construction:	Base Bid Project "A":	\$ 975,000
	Base Bid Project "B":	<u>\$ 295,000</u>
	Project Total:	\$1,270,000
2. Wadsworth Building Co. Inc.:	Base Bid Project "A":	\$1,066,851
	Base Bid Project "B":	<u>\$ 298,048</u>
	Project Total:	\$1,364,899
3. Swank Enterprises:	Base Bid Project "A":	\$1,103,000
	Base Bid Project "B":	<u>\$ 208,000</u>
	Project Total:	\$1,311,000
4. Matriarch Construction:	Base Bid Project "A":	\$1,000,000
	Base Bid Project "B":	<u>\$ 500,000</u>
	Project Total:	\$1,500,000
5. MBA Construction:	Base Bid Project "A":	\$1,191,800
	Base Bid Project "B":	<u>\$ 330,800</u>
	Project Total:	\$1,522,600
6. Martell Construction:	Base Bid Project "A":	\$1,045,400
	Base Bid Project "B":	<u>\$ 328,200</u>
	Project Total:	\$1,373,600
7. Dick Anderson Construction:	Base Bid Project "A":	\$1,084,505
	Base Bid Project "B":	<u>\$ 462,508</u>
	Project Total:	\$1,547,013

The meeting was adjourned at the conclusion of the bid opening.

**Regular commissioner meeting day- reconvenes**

**BID AWARD**

Commissioner Tempel made the motion to award the bid to Clausen & Sons of Havre, Montana. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT**

Commissioner Tempel made the motion to declare the tables and boilers obsolete. Commissioner Rockman seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**POST ELECTION AUDIT CONFERENCE**

A meeting regarding the Post Election Audit was held in County Attorney Hugh Brown's office. Those present in addition to the County Attorney, were the Commissioners and Election Administrator Rhonda Pimley.

**ROAD ISSUES**

Rudy Cicon was in to visit with the Commissioners regarding some road issues.

**STOCKPILE LEASE**

Commissioner Tempel made the motion to renew the gravel stockpile lease with the Department of Transportation. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

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

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

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Chairman

**June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010 ♦ 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: Chairman Larry Hendrickson and Commissioner Rlynn Rockman. Commissioner Russ Tempel is in Helena attending MACo Executive meetings.

**DES**

The Commissioners met with Darrell Stafford and Ed Gierke and signed the 2010 EMPG grant application. The group also discussed possible "in-kind" programs.

**WEED DEPARTMENT**

Jim Ghekiere stopped in to discuss purchase of a new 4-Wheeler Honda-500 with appropriate grant monies. There is currently a "special" on new 2009's for approximately \$7,550 with \$300 rebate through June 30<sup>th</sup>. This unit does not have power-steering. The 2011's will be available soon (with power steering) for approximately \$8,182 and no rebate. The Commissioners recommended the purchase of the 2009.

**GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY**

The Commissioners telephoned Senator Tester, Senator Baucus, Congressman Rehberg, Governor Schweitzer, Paul Tuss (Bear Paw Development), Annmarie Robinson (Bear Paw Development), Kathy Brennan (Department of Commerce) and Anne Booth (Triangle Telephone) about the Senior Center ground-breaking ceremony at approximately 11:30 AM, Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Several indicated they may attend.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Shawn Norick reports that all the roads need work all at once (due to the recent moisture). In addition, there are culvert & wash-out repairs to be completed. They are presently grading the high profile roads. Only current bid on Valtra Tractor motor is about \$16,000 from Tilleman's; the project is still "on hold".

**TIBER / SOUTH CHESTER / RIVERVIEW COLONY WATER LINE**

A teleconference call with Nate Wisenberger was held regarding the pipeline issue on the Riverview Colony line. Commissioner Hendrickson, Commissioner Rockman and Shawn Norick were present for the conference. Two landowners, Bob Hurley and Dayton Kolstad, are opposed to them crossing their tilled farmland; therefore, they are looking to excavating in the county road right-of-ways on a 2 ¼ mile stretch in Sections 13,14 & 15. This work will take approximately 2 ½ to 3 weeks (they will not do this during our harvest season). They will provide us with an easement to use our ditches. They agree to repair/regravel/ resurface any damaged roadways. They will use safety signage at all time and stay off the roadways whenever possible. They may have to use part of the roadway for back-fill material. The Commissioners gave initial permission, but expect the easement paperwork as requested.

**PAYROLL**

Commissioner Rockman made the motion to approve payroll as it has been presented. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**MOTOR GRADER BIDS**

Commissioner Rockman made a motion to call for bids on a motor grader. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**ENTITLEMENT MONEY**

The Commissioners reviewed the schedule of the entitlement distribution, and approved the new distribution.

**NIMS**

Liberty County is planning a 400 NIMS class on Wednesday and Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM at the Chester Firehall. All interested parties are encourage to attend.

**BEAR PAW DEVELOPMENT**

The Commissioners telephoned Annmarie Robinson to see if there are any hold-up's or glitches with the Department of Commerce regarding our Senior Center / Bus Barn project. The paperwork is not completed, but there probably will be no unresolved issues.

Commissioner Tempel telephoned into the office from Helena, to check in and update Commissioner Hendrickson and Commissioner Rockman on the MACo meeting. He will give more details in the office next week.

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

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

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Chairman