

July 2nd, 2013 ♦ 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 Rlynn Rockman and Commissioner Larry Hendrickson. Commissioner Russ Tempel is on vacation.

AIRPORT BOARD

The Airport Board approved the installation of a new fuel tank at the airport for Frontier Aviation; it meets all current rules and regulations regarding fuel tanks. The board also inspected the new weather station that was recently installed.

LIBERTY MEDICAL CENTER PROPERTY INSURANCE

We received confirmation that Liberty Medical Center has appropriate property insurance in the amount of \$11.2 million via Payne West in Helena. Document placed in Commissioner's file.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson stopped in to discuss the senior center business. She provided the annual contract with Area III Agency on Aging for fiscal year 2013-14. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson and seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried to approve and sign this contract. Glenda gave us service summary reports to compare last year versus this year. Lastly, she says that electrician, Dale Pimley, spent about one hour to fix the food server doors and salad bar glitches; a neutral wire was not connected properly.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Holly Frederickson reports that she has a young man with 20 hours of community service for immediate availability. We referred her to Liberty Medical Center.

AMBULANCE

Julie Erickson, ambulance billing clerk, provided her annual report to the Commissioners. For fiscal year 2012-13 there were approximately 150 ambulance trips totaling 4,900 miles billed out at around \$109,000 (of which \$62,000 has been received; \$31,000 is pending payment; and \$17,000 was written off). We discussed the pros and cons of using collection agencies. Just for the record, our current ambulance base charge is \$400 plus \$10 / mile.

NORTH WESTERN ENERGY

Scott Patera of NorthWestern Energy stopped in to report that there will be no increase in natural gas prices, but there will be up to 3% increase in electricity charges (based on tax increase to NorthWestern) during the coming year. We can consider this information for calculating our upcoming budgets.

LIBERTY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

- 1) We received a letter form Jim Ghekiere of the Planning Board, who recommended the approval of a new minor subdivision (the Pimley Subdivision at Township 37 N, Range 7 E, Section 25). A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried to approve this subdivision.
- 2) Current members of the Liberty County Planning Board are Todd Wanken, Pat Harmon, Steve Dahinden, John Maatta, and Wayne Wardell. Upon recommendation, Commissioner Hendrickson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried to appoint the city mayor, Noel Walston, to replace Wayne Wardell on the board. Noel was notified.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

We sent a letter to the Public Service Commission about concerns regarding the debate of 10 megawatts versus 100 megawatt wind power.

WEED DEPARTMENT

Jim Ghekiere was in to discuss weed issues. They are presently working on the Canadian thistle (not "bind weed", as reported) on the Rodney Svenson road. They're also spraying at the Lake.

EXTENSION AGENT

Jesse Fulbright was in to discuss extension issues. The new district supervisor is John Pfister of Roundup. Jesse updated us on the upcoming Marias Fair and the complications regarding butchering /packing plants. Registered animals = 60-65 beef, 17 lambs, and around 60 swine.

MAPS, INC

A letter of agreement was sent to Liberty and Toole counties by MAPS, Inc for GPS / GIS services for cemetery mapping related to Grant MLIA-2014-11 not to exceed \$28,603. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried to approve this agreement. Copies sent to Toole County, MAPS, Gail Shatkus, and Pat Ludwig.

TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT

Tractor & Equipment Co. provided a document checklist for the lease of two caterpillar motor graders (transaction #2092135 / quote #3815282) and form 8038-G to satisfy IRS Tax-exempt government obligations. Attorney Hugh Brown completed the paperwork for our approval. Send to Kraig Pester with down payment check.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Mike LaFrenz stopped in to discuss Lake Elwell and BOR matters. He said that we could probably do a control burn of the tumble weeds on the spillway road if we had to.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

Chairman

July 3rd, 2013 ♦ 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 Rlynn Rockman and Commissioner Larry Hendrickson.

MACO NEWSLETTER

In the monthly MACo newsletter, the statewide PILT disbursements for 2012-13 were listed. Of interest to note, Liberty County had the largest reduction in payments than any other county (-10.35%, equal to - \$7,204, reducing our total from \$69,596 to \$62,392).

CLAIMS

Regular monthly claims and several "end of the fiscal year" claims were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried to approve these claims for payment.

POLICY UPDATES

- 1) "Sunday Bus Service" Policy (Transit) was established to classify this special "courtesy" service for church-goer's.
- 2) County Building Maintenance Plan was discussed on 6-5-2013 and formalized today.


Commissioner Hendrickson made the motion, and it was seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried that we accept these two policies as written.

Liberty County

Building Maintenance Plan

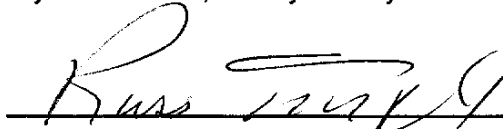
Accepted by Liberty County Commissioners 6-05-2013

It is the policy of Liberty County for employees to report any needed repairs or maintenance on buildings to the Maintenance person. The Maintenance person will assess and repair or schedule needed repairs and maintenance.

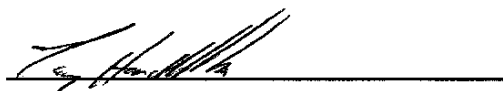


Rlynn Rockman, Liberty County Commissioner

Date 7-3-2013




Russ Tempel, Liberty County Commissioner



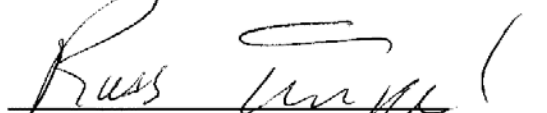
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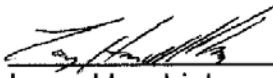
Sunday Bus Service Policy

Liberty County Transit will provide rides to and from Church service on Sundays from approximately 8:30 am to Noon. This is a courtesy service above our regular public transit schedule and may change. Riders need to check the time and be ready when the bus arrives. An attendant or family member must accompany a passenger that requires more assistance than riding on the lift. The driver cannot assist a wheelchair passenger up or down more than one step. The bus cannot wait for riders on the return trip. If a rider is wishing to stay and participate in functions at church they will need to find alternative transportation home. Liberty County Transit will not accommodate coffee hours, meals etc. that occur outside our hours of operation.


Rlynn Rockman, County Commissioner

7-3-2013
Date


Russ Tempel, County Commissioner


Larry Hendrickson, County Commissioner

MENTAL HEALTH

We visited with Lea Anne Lewis (LCPC) via phone and faxed her a service agreement from Liberty Medical Center and proposal changes from Liberty County. She will tweak / approve the agreements and get back to us.

CENTRAL MT / RUSSELL COUNTRY BOARD

The 3-year terms for local board members, Lynda VandeSandt and Betty Marshall, expired on 6-30-2013. We visited with these two ladies, who agreed to serve another term. Gayle Fisher of the Central Montana Russell Country was notified.

VERIZON TOWER

We received a proposal package from Verizon Wireless regarding project #10013-013049.00, a proposal tower to be built south of the Liberty County Fire Hall near the existing water tower.

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

We received two grade crossing signal agreements from MDT regarding the railroad crossing at the Whitlash Road (RR milepost 1025.228) and the railroad crossing at the Laird Road (RR milepost 1022.420). These agreements are between Liberty County, BNSF RR, and the State of Montana. An upgrade is planned to aid in vehicular travel and public safety. Costs = 80% by State and 20% by RR. Liberty County is obligated to place and maintain signs and pavement markings. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried to approve and sign the agreements, which were forwarded to MDT.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION LEASE

We received the 2-year lease agreement from the State Department of Administration for rental of office space in our courthouse to the Department of Revenue Appraisal Office. Of interest is the fact that the new yearly rental effective 7-1-2013 will be \$4,267.60 / year (\$8.434/sq. ft.) and next year's yearly rental effective 7-1-2014 will be \$4,157.80 (\$8.217/sq.ft.). We called Garrett Bacon, leasing officer, who explained that the discrepancy is based on the exact cost of office space in Helena, and this is mandated in MCA 15-8102. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Rockman. The motion carried to sign the agreement, which was sent to Helena.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

Chairman

July 9th, 2013 ♦ 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 Rlynn Rockman, Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, and Commissioner Russ Tempel.

LEPC

Barb Beck updated the LEPC committee on the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. She gave us a "Hazard Quiz" about past hazards in Liberty County. We also discussed the problem statements listed in 2007 and the current priorities for the 2013 plan. Barb will also attend the Senior Center today to update them and ask for suggestions on the new plan. (1 ½ hrs X 9 people).

Ten people attended LEPC and offered reports from their specific departments.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson stopped in to discuss the Senior Center issues. We discussed the final revisions on the Sunday Transit Regulations and the County Building Maintenance Plan.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes was in to discuss road issues. The culvert and road repairs have been completed on Blackjack Road. We received calls of appreciation from the Griffin's / Fritz's regarding recent work on the 2800 Road. The gravel available at Wickum's pit should handle the proposed work on the Whitlash-to-border road. The new packer is about 7 weeks out. John Deere (RDO) brought us a "loaner" grader yesterday. Our "trade-in" grader per RDO will be our responsibility regarding repairs / damage prior to delivery date on the two new units. Marc will check out Road 1000 north of Cicon's, which needs repair.

PAYROLL

Current county payroll was presented for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Tempel, and seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion carried to pay the salaries as submitted.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Penny Walston dropped off the Liberty County Unified Government Master Contract for Public Health that runs 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2019. Commissioner Tempel mad the motion to sign this contract. Commissioner Hendrickson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

CJISCHOOLS

Gail Shatkus updated us on the status of the MLIA grant.

ANNUAL WEED FLOAT

Approximately 65 area weed people and conservationists participated in the annual weed float [from Sanford Park to Moffat Bridge] today. The Commissioners travelled to the Marina this evening to meet with the floaters and learn about their exploits. We also travelled several south Liberty County roads to check on road conditions and we examined the newest recreational shelter recently built northwest of the marina.

KATHY ENGSTROM

Citizen, Kathy Engstrom, stopped in to see if we would consider putting up some "Caution / Children in area" signage on two separate spots near their ranches. She will purchase the four signs if we will order and install. OK per Marc Holmes.

TRIANGLE TELEPHONE

Tim Nixdort was called regarding Sage Brush Cellular Service. They will allow Liberty County to demo two cell phones to check service. Also discussed was Verizon roaming on Sage Brush cell towers.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

Chairman

July 10th, 2013 ♦ 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 Rlynn Rockman, Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, and Commissioner Russ Tempel.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes was in to discuss road issues. Eagle Creek bought some grader blades at cost from us (payment of \$400 was submitted). Marc called Toole County Road Department, who agreed to purchase our unneeded 17.5/24 grader tires [3 new ones at current cost of \$844 each + 1 used one on a wheel with around 75% tread wear left valued at around \$500]; agreed purchase price for all 4 tires and wheel = \$3,000. Marc received two good applicants for road crew positions and will follow up on interviews. Marc will order some signs for Kathy Engstrom.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson stopped in with a bid from an Alberta trailer sales (to repair the damages to the trailer that was struck by our senior bus around 3 weeks ago). The bid is for \$4,172! We will follow up on this via our insurance, MACo and/or submitter.

CORRESPONDENCE

We received an e-mail from REMI, which has compiled population stats. Of interest, Liberty County's current population for 2013 is 2376; estimated population for 2020 is 2408; estimated population for 2030 is 2378; and estimated population for 2040 is 2285.

DNRC

We sent an e-mail to Districts 4 & 5 inviting them to a public meeting in Chester on July 23rd to discuss road easement purchases via DNRC and wild lands.

MLIA GRANT

We authorized payment to CJI Schools for our agreed contribution of \$3,500 towards the MLIA grants for the GIS / GPS system.

CLAIMS

Current claims were submitted for payment. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion carried to pay these claims. We will pay a large claim (around \$6,000) for repairs to the Joplin Water pivot, but do some follow-up.

WOOD ENTERPRISES

Tina Wood stopped in for several reasons:

- 1) MACo now has various county job descriptions available for our use.
- 2) Our "loaner grader" from RDO is insured.
- 3) We need to complete 5 job risk analysis (road, weed, ambulance, senior center, library).
- 4) In the second week of October, there will be training at MACo in Helena to develop procedures with safety coordinators. One of the Commissioners should attend!

LIBERTY MEDICAL CENTER

Commissioner Hendrickson attended a special pre-strategic planning meeting at Liberty Medical Center on 7-10-2013.

MARIAS FAIR BOARD

The present Marias Fair Board consists of Buster Brown, Travis Clark, Rita Wisegram, Wes McAlpine, Lynda Fretheim, Todd Howell, J.C. Sewald, Dennis Barker, and ex-officio Ben Ober, Toole County Commissioner. Dennis Barker's term has expired, so we're soliciting a new board member from Liberty County. Send the board a letter of recommendation.

AIRPORT BUSINESS

Jerry Martin was in to see if he can use up to 5 yards of asphalt millings at the airport on his pad for his hanger. OK by us, as it's an improvement to the airport grounds.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

Chairman

July 16th, 2013 ♦ 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 Rlynn Rockman, Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, and Commissioner Russ Tempel.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Marc Holmes was in to discuss road issues. He hired two road crew workers: Justin Wickum and Trey Marshall, who will both start in around two weeks. Road work is being done; several farmers have requested work on secondary roads for upcoming harvest. The Haul Road is a disaster (per Marc), but they are presently dealing with it.

CEMETERY BOARD

Commissioner Rockman attended the monthly cemetery board meeting on July 11th. Ted reports that he is caught up on all the cemetery mowing. We encouraged him to continue watering to keep the new grass growing. End of year expenditures reveal two major purchases: a pick-up for \$4,000 and a new mower for \$18,500. Our equipment is in great shape at present.

KING AG INC

Martin Alley responded to our letter regarding washing chemicals from their equipment on the county street / road in front of their business. They will refrain from doing this and will only wash off occasional mud.

TRIANGLE TELEPHONE

Commissioner Tempel picked up a few "floater" phones from Triangle Telephone for our temporary use.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson stopped in to discuss senior center issues. We asked Glenda to send a copy of our transit policies (especially the new "Sunday" policy) to the local churches and ministerial associations.

Glenda has heard from the Canadian man regarding concerns that his damaged trailer is still on hold pending insurance. We called MACo.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Commissioner Rockman and other board members independently reviewed the SNS ("Strategic National Stockpile Plan"), which deals with stockpiling and dispensing pharmaceuticals during an emergency. A few simple changes were made.

BUDGET RESOLUTIONS

After discussion with Clerk & Recorder, Rhonda Pimley regarding end of the year budget considerations, we decided to transfer \$20,000 into the Ambulance CIP fund (making a new total of around \$124,000) and \$70,000 into the Sheriff's CIP fund (making a new total of \$140,000). A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion carried to adopt these two resolutions.

GRAVEL

Jerry Fenger was in to report that he has approximately 3,000 yards of 1 3/4" minus gravel for sale at \$6.00 / yard at the Seidlitz pit. Loading fee by us or his loader by us (15¢ / yard).

LIBERTY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Doug Riggan was in to discuss a tree trim project at the courthouse. While here, he updated us on current staff and answered general questions about the Liberty County Sheriff's Office.

WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION

"DSR" was in to report on his workman's comp status. He provided a medical status form that reveals he's only able to work 3 days / week at around 4 hours / day with no operation of heavy equipment and no lifting (due to his poor back condition and current meds).

WEED DEPARTMENT

Jim Ghekiere was in to discuss weed issues. The weed crew is busy spraying county roads. There was a discussion about using a "residual" on road edges next year.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

Chairman

July 23rd, 2013 ♦ 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 Rlynn Rockman and Commissioner Russ Tempel. Commissioner Hendrickson is attending the MACo board meetings in Helena.

JUVENILE PROBATION

We received \$160.00 from the 12th Judicial District Youth Court from the two juveniles who damaged the cemetery shop (\$120 from "R.D." and \$40 from "J.D."). Check was forwarded to the Cemetery District.

LIBERTY MEDICAL CENTER

Commissioner Hendrickson attended the monthly Liberty Medical Center board meeting on July 17th. Nothing remarkable to report.

EMS

Liberty County Ambulance and Fire Department had training on Monday (July 22nd) at the Pea Processing Plant. Commissioner Hendrickson participated.

TRANSPORTATION MEETING

Commissioner Hendrickson attended the Liberty County Transportation Meeting on July 22nd. The bus routes will be the same as last year. Bus inspections are due soon. Others present at the meeting were Rachel Ghekiere, Elias Hofer, and Dustin Miller.

COUNTY SALARIES

Current county employee salaries were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Tempel, and seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion carried to pay the current wages as submitted.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson stopped in to update us on the Senior Center. No current issues or concerns. Glenda and 6 local seniors attended the Area Meeting on Aging in Choteau on Friday (July 19th).

EMPG

Darrell Stafford stopped in with a grant modification form, which reveals a \$1,750 increase in award funds for this quarter. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson and was seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion carried to approve the budget extension. We also signed a semi-annual certification form.

CLAIM

The note on the county pick-ups is presently due to the tune of around \$25,000. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson, and seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion carried to pay this claim.

MACO DUES

We received our Fiscal year 2013-14 dues from MACo as follows: Membership (\$2,642), PILT (\$52), and NACo dues (\$450) = \$3,144 Total. Payment will be approved on next billing cycle.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Holly Frederickson was in to report that she has several youth offenders who have "community service" hours. We will fill the slots.

DNRC MEETING

Four area DNRC agents met with eight area commissioners / road supervisors to update us on two issues:

- 1) Work Comp / Insurance coverage for volunteer firemen who may be injured while operating DNRC equipment. Introduced legislation in 2013 to require Work Comp for all volunteer firefighters and a permissive levy failed, so this issue falls in the counties' laps.
- 2) The historic right-of-way application is an easy way to solve potential easement issues. No cultural inventories or surveys are required and our selected applicable roadways / acreages are negotiable with DNRC. Eric Eneboe's simple suggestion is to first address those roads that bisect state lands. Hoyt Richards recommends high value and recreation access roads; when this application period expires, the easement fees will be based on appraised values. Application forms were provided to us.

MACO

We received a bill from MACo for our insurance "deductible" of \$2000 for damages done to the Canadian trailer secondary to the collision by our transit bus on June 7th, 2013. MACo settled for \$2,872.18, of which we must reimburse them for the \$2000 deductible. The bill was discussed with Glenda Hanson and Rhonda Pimley, and we will pay it from the transit grant funds still available in fiscal year 2012-13 budget.

PERMISSION TO LEAVE STATE

Hugh Brown asked to leave the state beginning Saturday, July 27th. A motion was made by Commissioner Tempel and seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion carried to grant permission.

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

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

Chairman

July 30th, 2013 ♦ 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 Rlynn Rockman, Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, and Commissioner Russ Tempel.

PERMISSION TO CROSS LIBERTY COUNTY ROADS

- 1) Application submitted by MCR, LLC (Greg Larson) to cross the Schafer Road at Twp 37 N, Range 4 E, Section 14.
- 2) Ray Ramberg picked up an application with plans to cross 2800 Road South with power and water to future shop and bins. A motion was made by Commissioner Tempel, and seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion carried to approve both of these crossings.

CLAIMS

Two claims were submitted for approval: \$2,000 to MACo for reimbursement on our deductible regarding transit bus accident and \$63,000+ to MACo for insurance premiums. A motion by Commissioner Hendrickson, was seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion carried to pay these claims.

EXTENSION

Jesse Fulbright stopped in to update us on the recent Marias Fair.

MENTAL HEALTH

We received agreements / contracts from Lea Anne Lewis (LCPC) for consideration. These agreements are between the practitioner, Liberty County, and the Liberty Medical Center / Nursing Home with the following highlights:

- 1) Effective start date = August of 2013 with initial service at 1 day / month (the 2nd Monday of each month) and office hours from 10am – 5pm;
- 2) Agreed daily rate of \$400 to practitioner, of which the county will pay the threshold balance not reimbursed by insurance, etc;
- 3) County will pay one-way mileage from Great Falls [computed at \$.55 /mile X 95 miles = \$52.25]. Practitioner will pay the return mileage.
- 4) County employees are entitled to two sessions / year and LMC / NH employees are entitled to 3 sessions / year at an agreed rate of \$50 /session (to be paid by the County and/or LMC / NH).
- 5) Practitioner will do all billing and provide monthly reports to the county.
- 6) Probationary period = 6 months.

A motion by Commissioner Hendrickson is seconded by Commissioner Tempel. The motion carried that we accept and sign this contract with Lea Anne Lewis (pending approval of LMC on their end of the agreement).

CORRESPONDENCE FROM DEQ

We received a letter from DEQ about a complaint regarding the Wickum gravel pit. It was reported that the reclamation date on this opencut permit expired in 2010, but no measures have been taken to reclaim the site. The letter refers to permit #1066, which we will try to locate in our files. We contacted Jim Ghekiere to request that he check out and/or spray this pit ASAP. Additional note: We do have a file / letter dated 12/11/2012 to Mrs. Wickum that addresses our current interest / plans for the pit. We will follow-up on a suitable response after we get feed-back from Jim Ghekiere.

WHEAT COUNTRY ESTATES

Update on Wheat Country Estates: After further discussion / investigation / advice by Liberty Medical Board members and contractors, the decision was made to repair the existing roof shingles. The job will be done by Cory Decker for \$1,500 (see minutes dated 5-14-2013 for initial bids).

TRIANGLE TELEPHONE

Three Triangle Telephone representatives met with the Commissioners, Marc Holmes, and Jim Ghekiere to discuss their cell phone plans / prices. Bethany Chinadle had examined several of our monthly AT&T bills to determine potential savings. After general discussion, we agreed to sign up for a new nationwide plan for 2000 minutes plus text / pics / data capabilities and damage insurance for three phones (road, weed, extension) will run \$218 / month. Upfront costs will include the phones (\$199 each) plus protective covers plus screen protectors.

WORKERS COMP FOR FIREMEN

The Town of Chester has workmans comp on the volunteer city firemen through MMIA at a premium of \$420/year, but it will not cover these same firemen of a rural fire. We visited with the City about the possibility of an Interlocal Agreement to obtain coverage on our other volunteers in the West Chester and Joplin crews, but MMIA declined to participate. We are presently consulting with Greg Jackson at MACo and Marty Woods at Wood Enterprises for options to purchase this work comp coverage.

RESOLUTION 13-06

This resolution declares that the Liberty County Commissioners accepted the recommendation of the County Compensation Board and awarded a 2 1/2 % raise for all elected officials effective 7-1-2013. A motion was made by Commissioner Tempel, and was seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion carried to approve this resolution.

RESOLUTION 13-06

WHEREAS, 7-4-2504, MCA, states that the Board of County Commissioners must establish salaries for all elected officials by the first day of August each year, and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503 (4) (a) MCA, states that a County Compensation Board must be established to recommend salaries for Elected Officials for each Fiscal Year, and,


WHEREAS, the recommendation of the County Compensation Board was to award a 2 1/2 % raise for all Elected Officials effective July 1, 2013;

NOW THEREFORE, be it hereby resolved that effective the 1st day of July, 2013, the County Commissioners, County Clerk and Recorder/Election Administrator, County Treasurer/Assessor, Clerk of District Court and County Sheriff shall receive a salary of Thirty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars and Seventy cents (\$37,338.70). The County Sheriff, the County Treasurer/Assessor, and the County Clerk & Recorder/Election Administrator shall receive an additional Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) per year setting their salaries at Thirty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars and Seventy cents (\$39,338.70). The 1% longevity established in FY 2004-05 will be an additional \$261.00 for qualifying officials. The County Superintendent of Schools is a half-time position; therefore, she shall receive Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars and Thirty-five cents (\$18,669.35) plus an additional Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) per year, plus 1% longevity of \$130.50. The County Attorney shall receive in addition to his state compensation of Twenty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$24,990.00), a salary of Twenty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-six Dollars and Seventy-seven cents (\$23,896.77) plus 1% longevity of \$167.00 from the County. The Justice of the Peace shall receive a salary of Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-nine Dollars and Thirty-five cents (\$18,669.35).

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such pay schedule as hereinbefore referred to be effective from and after July 1, 2013.

Dated this 30th day of July, 2013.

ATTEST:

Ronda Spinkley
Clerk


Styven Rockman
Chairman
Russ Tempel
Commissioner
Paul Hendrickson
Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

The Commissioners minutes dated April 23, 2013 through May 28, 2013 were reviewed and approved with a few minor changes via motion by Commissioner Hendrickson, and a second by Commissioner Rockman. 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

Chairman