

***REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA  
Held in September, 2012***

The Board of Pondera County Commissioners met daily in informal session and in scheduled meetings on September 5, 12 and 19, 2012. Unless indicated, all Commissioners were present.

**VALIER AIRPORT HANGAR LEASE APPROVED** – September 5, 2012

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve the lease Agreement with Dave Hughe and Vance Raines for the Valier Airport hangar.. Commissioner Christiaens seconded; motion carried.

**AMENDMENT TO WIC PROGRAM SUBCONTRACTOR AGREEMENT APPROVED** – September 5, 2012

Commissioner Christiaens moved to approve the Amendment to WIC Program Subcontractor Agreement (changing the effective date and period of performance). Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried.

**DATE, TIME AND PLACE SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON POTENTIAL INCREASE IN AMOUNT COUNTY WILL PAY FOR GRAVEL SET** – September 5, 2012

Commissioner Broesder moved to set October 3, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' office as the date, time and place for a public hearing on the proposal to increase the amount the county will pay for gravel. Commissioner Christiaens seconded; motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #4 – AMENDED RESOLUTION #2 – LOAN TO FUNDS HAVING NEGATIVE CASH BALANCES AT FISCAL YEAR END – ADOPTED** – September 5, 2012

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA  
RESOLUTION #4 – 2012/13  
AMENDING RESOLUTION #2 – 2012/13  
LOAN TO FUNDS HAVING NEGATIVE CASH BALANCES  
AT FISCAL YEAR END

WHEREAS, generally accepted standards for governmental accounting does not allow for negative cash balances in any fund, including reimbursable grant funds, at the close of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, ten County funds,  
Fund 2150, Predatory Animal Control,  
Fund 2401, Brady Street Lights  
Fund 2865, Oil and Gas Plugging Grant,  
Fund 2927, Homeland Security Grant,  
Fund 2928, Homeland Security Grant – EOP,  
Fund 2945, CDBG – Community Center Grant,  
Fund 2955, Buckle Up Montana Grant,  
Fund 2971, Women, Infants & Children Grant,  
Fund 2978, Tobacco Use Prevention Grant, and  
Fund 2992, ARRA Hub and Spoke DEQ Grant  
have negative cash balances as of June 30, 2012 due to the nature of the funds as reimbursable grant funds; and

WHEREAS, Pondera County general fund and/or the State Allocated Federal Mineral Royalties Fund and the Oil and Gas Severance Accelerated Tax Fund have sufficient cash to loan the funds having negative cash balances on June 30, 2012 in order that the funds will not have a deficient cash balance; and

WHEREAS the funds shall repay the loan and interest at 0% per annum to the general fund from the revenue to be received, anticipated to be in July of 2012

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the Clerk and Recorder effect the loans to any and all funds having negative cash balances on June 30, 2012 from the county general fund and/or the State Allocated Federal Mineral Royalties Fund and the Oil and Gas

Severance Accelerated Tax Fund and that the loans be repaid as stated above as soon as feasible.

Adopted this 5th day of September, 2012 as moved by Commissioner Broesder, seconded by Commissioner Christiaens, and passed on a unanimous vote of the full board. Effective June 30, 2012.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ Cynthia A. Johnson  
Cynthia A. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ Sandra J. Broesder  
Sandra J. Broesder, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Janice Hoppes  
Janice Hoppes, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Joseph Christiaens  
Joseph Christiaens, Member

**BRADY LIGHTS ASSESSMENT INCREASE APPROVED – September 5, 2012**

The assessment charged to pay the utilities for the street lights in Brady has been insufficient to cover the expenses. As of June 30, 2012 the fund had a negative cash balance of \$247.35. In order to resolve this issue, the assessment will need to be doubled for the current fiscal year. In the 2010 census, the population of Brady was 140 residents, resulting in an average of \$22.07 per resident, per year. The average per parcel will need to be doubled, keeping in mind that not all parcels are residential but are commercial and the commercial parcels are larger and will bear a larger assessment than a parcel with residential property.

Commissioner Christiaens moved to double the assessment per parcel in the Brady Street Lights fund. Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried.

**CLEAR ZONE MANAGEMENT (ROAD MAINTENANCE) POLICY ADOPTED – September 5, 2012**

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve the following Clear Zone Management Policy for county road maintenance, effective immediately:

**PONDERA COUNTY**

**CLEAR ZONE MANAGEMENT POLICY**

The concept of a “Forgiving Roadway” is to allow survivability of users when driver error occurs. Drivers do become distracted and vehicles do leave the roadway. The wider and smoother of a recovery area provided, the more a driver has a chance to recover. This recovery area is sometimes referred to as a clear zone. The clear zone also allows the driver to see conflicts (pedestrians, animals, other drivers etc.) and slow down or avoid collision.

The American Association of State and Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) discusses clear zones (AADT <400): At locations where a clear recovery area of 6 ft or more in width can be provided at low cost and with a minimum social/environmental impacts, provisions of such a clear recovery area should be considered. Fixed objects within the clear zone that may be struck by errant vehicles which would in turn injure or kill drivers should be removed or relocated.

The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices recommends that signs be placed at least 6 ft from edge of shoulder or 12 ft from traveled way. In order for signs visibility not to be affected, brush, trees and other vegetation should be cleared when they are within 12ft of the roadway or six feet from the shoulder depending on which criteria is used for sign mounting.

The purpose of this policy is to control woody vegetation within Pondera County's road right-of-way. To meet this purpose, the County has authority, in its discretion, to:

1. Cut woody vegetation in the right-of-way which creates a situation that threatens the safety of the traveling public such as:
  - A. Snow traps and/or shading of the road that might occur
  - B. Site distance problems in relation to road signs or intersections
  - C. Conditions that impede the maintenance or improvements to the right-of-way
  - D. Width or height restrictions of vehicles or equipment using the roadway
2. Leave woody materials which have been cut or sprayed to decompose in the right of way.

3. Burn the roadside vegetation to destroy small brush and stimulate desirable vegetation.

Utilizing these methods, the following guidelines will be implemented:

Along all county roads, dirt, gravel and paved, our normal procedure will be to clear the entire right of way width, utilizing level cuts as low as possible, with the following exceptions:

1. Tree and shrubs in house yards, whose bases are inside the right of way line by no more than five feet (5'), may remain, if desired, but limbs must be pruned back to the nearest lateral branch, so that they extend no further than eight feet (8') into the right of way. A written notice of our intended work will be sent or delivered to these properties a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the commencement of our work. This notice will provide the landowner an opportunity to arrange for his/her own trimming and/or to request any larger material for firewood. (Landowner will be responsible for cutting into lengths and removing from ditch.)

2. Side trimming of limbs of trees will be done by pruning them back to no more than eight (8) feet from the right of way line when the tree base is actually outside the right of way.

3. The mechanical brush cutter will be used in rural non-residential areas with small scattered brush and trees where debris will be allowed to lay on slopes. Mechanically cut stumps, larger than eight (8) inches in diameter, as well as those larger trees that are cut totally with chain saws, will be cut flush to the ground, whenever possible. Large side branches will be trimmed to the main trunk or first lateral branch.

Design Options in Order of Preference:

1. Remove Obstacle
2. Delineate Obstacle

TAX ABATEMENT/ADD-ON APPROVED – September 12, 2012

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve tax abatement/add-ons 928 as follows:

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>REASON</b>	<b>CANCEL</b>	<b>ADD-ON</b>	<b>PARCEL #</b>
927	voided			
928	Mobile home no longer in County	1699.08	0	2004800

Commissioner Christiaens seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

AMENDMENT ONE TO TASK ORDER – MONTANA HEALTHY HOMES AND LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM APPROVED –September 12, 2012

Commissioner Christiaens moved to approve the Amendment One to the Montana Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program agreement which extends the deadline to complete the tasks to October 31, 2012. Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

SCHOOL LEVIES APPROVED – September 12, 2012

Commissioner Christiaens moved to approve the levy values and mills for the school districts in Pondera County, as presented by Superintendent of Schools, Jo Stone. Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

TAX PARCEL CANCELLATIONS APPROVED – September 12, 2012

The commissioners reviewed a letter and list from Treasurer, Jeanne Moon, requesting permission to cancel personal property taxes delinquent more than five years as provided in 15-16-701, Montana Code Annotated.

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve tax parcel cancellations as follows:

<b>REASON</b>	<b>CANCEL</b>	<b>PARCEL #</b>	<b>TAX YEAR</b>
Personal property taxes delinquent more than 5 years	210.53	2035600	2006
Personal property taxes delinquent more than 5 years	202.52	1323600	2005
Personal property taxes delinquent more than 5 years	237.31	1078400	2005

Personal property taxes delinquent more than 5 years 12.25 1318100 2005

Commissioner Christiaens seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

RESOLUTION #4 – 2012-13 – AMENDING RESOLUTION #2 – 2012-13 – ADOPTED – September 12, 2012

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WHEREAS, Pondera County general fund and/or the State Allocated Federal Mineral Royalties Fund and the Oil and Gas Severance Accelerated Tax Fund have sufficient cash to loan the funds having negative cash balances on June 30, 2012 in order that the funds will not have a deficient cash balance; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the Clerk and Recorder effect the loans to any and all funds having negative cash balances on June 30, 2012 from the county general fund and/or the State Allocated Federal Mineral Royalties Fund and the Oil and Gas Severance Accelerated Tax Fund and that the loans be repaid as stated above as soon as feasible.

Adopted this 12th day of September, 2012 as moved by Commissioner Christiaens, seconded by Commissioner Broesder, and passed on a unanimous vote of the full board. Effective June 30, 2012.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Cynthia A. Johnson
Cynthia A. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ Sandra J. Broesder
Sandra J. Broesder, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Joseph Christiaens
Joseph Christiaens, Member

Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

RESOLUTION #5 – 2012-13 – AMENDING RESOLUTION #3 – 2012-13 – ADOPTED – September 12, 2012

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
RESOLUTION NO. 5 - 2012/13

AMENDING RESOLUTION #3 – 2012/13

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT PONDERA COUNTY IRRIGATION WATER ON COUNTY ROADS PROHIBITED ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

IRRIGATION WATER ON COUNTY ROADS PROHIBITED

RECITAL

WHEREAS, the Pondera County Commissioners have the authority to make rules necessary and convenient to protect the roadways under the care and control of the Pondera County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Pondera County Commissioners have the authority to provide penalties for the violation of said rules;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, as follows:

It is unlawful to permit water from any irrigation ditch or irrigation sprinkler system to be on a county road and that it shall be a violation of this Ordinance as follows;

A person commits the offense of PERMITTING IRRIGATION WATER ON A COUNTY ROAD if he purposely, knowingly, or negligently permits water from an irrigation ditch or irrigation sprinkler system to flow or spray onto a county road, thereby damaging the road or rendering the road unsafe for vehicular passage or obstructing or preventing the use of the road by vehicles.

A person convicted under this Ordinance shall be fined not to exceed \$100 or be imprisoned in the county jail for any term not to exceed 30 days, or both. Restitution shall be considered by the Court. Each day of violation of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

This Ordinance shall be enforced by the Pondera County Sheriff Department.

STATEMENT OF AUTHORITY: Sections 7-14-2101, 7-14-2102, 7-5-103(4), 7-5-105, 7-5-107, MCA.

The first reading shall be at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 29, 2012; public hearings on the proposed ordinance will be on Wednesday, October 3, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. at the Valier Civic Center (514 Montana St, Valier) and at 7:00 p.m. in the courtroom of the Pondera County Courthouse (20 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Conrad) and the second reading and, if to be enacted, adoption, shall be at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 9, 2012. The effective date, if adopted, shall be November 9, 2012.

Adopted this 12th day of September, 2012 as moved by Commissioner Christiaens, seconded by Commissioner Broesder, and passed on a unanimous vote of the full board. Effective upon passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Cynthia A. Johnson

Cynthia A. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ Sandra J. Broesder

Sandra J. Broesder, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Janice Hoppes

Janice Hoppes, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Joseph Christiaens

Joseph Christiaens, Member

Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

DATE, TIME AND PLACE SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED OFFICE CLOSINGS ON THE DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS EVE-

September 12, 2012

Commissioner Christiaens moved to set Wednesday, October 3, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' office of the County Courthouse as the date, time and place for a public hearing on the proposal to close the county offices on the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve.

Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

MEETING WITH VALUATIONS NORTHWEST REGARDING INVENTORY OF COUNTY BUILDINGS - September 12, 2012

The commissioners met with Joe Smith, Valuations Northwest, representing the county's liability insurance carrier, Montana Association of Counties Joint Powers Insurance Authority. Smith has been visiting the buildings owned by the County and

insured by MACo JPIA for valuation purposes in the event of a loss. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

JULY AND AUGUST MINUTES APPROVED - September 12, 2012

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve the July and August, 2012, Minutes of the Commission. Commissioner Christiaens seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

RESOLUTION #6 – AUTHORIZING COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES – ADOPTED –  
September 12, 2012

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA  
RESOLUTION # 6 – 2012/13  
AUTHORIZING COST-OF-LIVING SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

WHEREAS, the 2001 Legislature provided that County governing bodies create a county compensation board that shall prepare a compensation schedule for county elected officials for the succeeding fiscal year. The recommended compensation schedule shall be approved by a majority of the board including at least two commissioners, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners appointed the County Compensation Board and the Board met during a public hearing called by the Commissioners on June 20, 2012 and discussed several suggested compensation schedules for elected officials for FY2012-13; and

WHEREAS, the County Compensation Board recommended that compensation for elected officials in Pondera County for FY2012-13 be increased by an amount up to a 2.5% cost-of-living adjustment; the recommendation was approved by the members of the Compensation Board, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, effective August 26, 2012, the county will pay a cost-of-living salary adjustment of 2% for elected officials based on the Clerk and Recorder’s base salary (equal to \$.39 per hour) to be added to the salaries of Pondera County elected officials; that part-time elected officials (Superintendent of Schools) will receive the appropriate pro-rated amount of 50% of the salary. Additional compensation of \$2,000 annually for Commissioners and Sheriff and \$200 for part-time Superintendent of Schools will remain at the statutory rates. Additional compensation of \$2,000 was approved for the Clerk and Recorder who also serves as Election Administrator (pursuant to 7-4-2503(d), MCA, effective October 1, 2005). Additional compensation of \$2,000 was approved for the Treasurer (pursuant to 7-4-2503(2)(e), MCA, effective July 1, 2009).

Treasurer	\$41,159.37
plus additional compensation of \$2,000 per year allowed under statute	
Clerk of Court	\$41,159.37
Clerk and Recorder	\$41,159.37
plus additional compensation of \$2,000 per year allowed under statute for Election Administrator duties	
Commissioner	\$42,159.37
includes additional compensation of \$2,000 per year required by statute	
Sheriff/Coroner	\$44,475.60
includes additional compensation of \$2,000 per year required by statute (Sheriff)	
Deputies Sheriff/Coroner will receive \$50 per coroner call less than 8 hours in duration and/or \$100 per coroner call more than 8 hours in duration	
County Attorney/Public Administrator	\$80,604.32
State of Montana will pay reimburse the County at a rate set by statute, pursuant to 7-4-2502, MCA (2007)	
Justice of the Peace	\$41,159.37
pursuant to 3-10-208, MCA, the hours for the Justice Court shall be established as an 8 hour days. The office shall be open to the public Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., with the additional 2 hours per day to be available for administrative duties and for calls back	
Superintendent of Schools	\$20,779.66 (50% of full-time)
includes \$200.00 per year additional compensation required by statute	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioners hereby set the gross base wages for deputies to elected officials and sheriff's deputies at 95% for the undersheriff, 90% for the chief sheriff's deputy and 86% for all other deputies and deputies to other elected officials. Sheriff's department longevity shall be calculated pursuant to state statutes.

The cost-of-living increase for hourly full-time and regular part-time employees is hereby set at an increase of \$.39 per hour and the Road/Bridge Department Supervisor will receive a cost-of-living increase to monthly salary at the same rate as elected officials.

Hourly rates will remain the same for temporary employees and part-time employees working fewer than 750 hours per year. Additional compensation received by lead operators (road & bridge departments). Seasonal employees' hourly rates will not adjust until the beginning of the season in 2013.

Adopted this 12th day of September, 2012 as moved by Commissioner Christiaens, seconded by Commissioner Broesder, and passed on a unanimous vote of the full board. Effective August 26, 2012

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ Cynthia A. Johnson  
Cynthia A. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ Sandra J. Broesder  
Sandra J. Broesder, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Janice Hoppes  
Janice Hoppes, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Joseph Christiaens  
Joseph Christiaens, Member

Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

**LOAN AGREEMENT WITH PORT AUTHORITY APPROVED- September 19, 2012**

Commissioner Christiaens moved to approve the Loan Agreement with the Pondera County Regional Port Authority for fiscal year 2012-13. Under the terms of the Agreement, effective July 1, 2012, the County will lend the Port Authority the payment for the Blue Sky Villa property in the amount of \$14,962.50. The Port Authority will submit a report to the County on or before June 15, 2012 which will contain the uses of the funding, including the projects or businesses supported, and, if used as part of the revolving loan fund, the amount and terms of the loans and business support. If the County determines the funding has been used to support local business and economic development, the County may forgive repayment of the loan and treat the loan as a transfer.

Commissioner Johnson seconded; motion carried. (Commissioner Broesder absent) Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

**BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-13 APPROVED – September 19, 2012**

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve the proposed county budget for fiscal year 2012-13. Commissioner Christiaens seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

**RESOLUTION #7 – APPROVING FINAL BUDGET – ADOPTED- September 19, 2012**

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA  
RESOLUTION NO. 7- 2011/12  
APPROVING FINAL BUDGET FOR PONDERA COUNTY  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-13

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 7-6-4021, 7-6-4024 and 7-6-4030, MCA, the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County, Montana, has held a public hearing and passed resolutions as applicable on the proposed budget of Pondera County for fiscal year 2012-13 as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Sections 7-6-4034 through 7-6-4036, MCA, provide for the fixing of various tax levies to raise funds sufficient to meet said expenditures authorized in the budget; and

WHEREAS, amendments to the final budget may be made throughout the fiscal year as provided in 7-6-4031; and

WHEREAS the Department of Revenue has provided the County with the certified value of a mill in each taxing jurisdiction in the County, as \$13,380 countywide and \$10,914 rural; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the final county budget as set out below be, and the same is, hereby adopted as the final budget for fiscal year 2012-13 and that warrants be issued in accordance with laws appertaining thereto.

**COUNTYWIDE**

Assessed Valuation: 448,429,782  
 Tax Valuation: 13,380,038  
 1 Mill Yields: 13,380

FUND NO.	FUND NAME	BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	MILL LEVY	VOTED MILL LEVY
1000	GENERAL	1,520,680	57.06	
2130	BRIDGE	323,098	15.500	
2140	WEED	112,129	5.750	
2160	COUNTY FAIR	4,150	.150	
2190	COMP INSURANCE	229,904	12.000	
2220	COUNTY LIBRARIES (REGULAR LEVY)	46,322	1.000	
2230	AMBULANCE	30,427	1.550	
2235	COUNTY HOSPITAL	587,101	7.250	
2280	SENIOR CITIZENS	24,000	1.000	
2290	EXTENSION	111,825	5.700	
2300	PUBLIC SAFETY	1,039,739	32.000	
2370	RETIREMENT	160,177	8.300	
2371	GROUP HEALTH	209,967	8.300	
TOTALS		4,399,519	155.560	

**COUNTYWIDE VOTED LEVIES**

Assessed Valuation: 448,429,782  
 Tax Valuation: 13,380,038  
 1 Mill Yields: 13,380

FUND NO.	FUND NAME	BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	MILL LEVY	VOTED MILL LEVY
2220	COUNTY LIBRARIES (VOTED LEVY)	106,906		7.990
2372	PERMISSIVE MEDICAL	67,168		5.020
3010	HOSPITAL DEBT SERVICE	212,000		11.000
7340	PORT AUTHORITY	61,737		4.000
TOTALS		447,811		28.010

**RURAL**

Assessed Valuation: 362,469,329  
 Tax Valuation: 10,914,388  
 1 Mill Yields: 10,914

FUND NO.	FUND NAME	BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	MILL LEVY	VOTED MILL LEVY
2110	ROAD	853,169	35.680	
7200	RURAL FIRE (REGULAR LEVY)	147,402	5.600	
7200	RURAL FIRE (VOTED LEVY)	20,894		1.914
		1,021,465	41.280	1.914

**SPECIAL DISTRICTS**

CEMETERY DISTRICT #1 (VALIER)				
Assessed Valuation: 140,720,222				
Tax Valuation: 4,032,909				
1 Mill Yields: 4,032				
7203	CEMETERY DISTRICT #1	25,900	3.910	

CEMETERY DISTRICT #2 (CONRAD)			
Assessed Valuation:		307,709,560	
Tax Valuation:		9,347,129	
1 Mill Yields:		9,347	
7201	CEMETERY DISTRICT #2	88,959	7.470

CONSERVATION DISTRICT			
Assessed Valuation:			
Tax Valuation:		6,899,842	
1 Mill Yields:		6,899	
7206	SOIL CONSERVATION	74,835	2.810

**NON-LEVIED FUNDS**

FUND NO.	FUND NAME	BUDGETED EXPENDITURES
2150	PREDATORY ANIMAL	2,217
2170	COUNTY AIRPORTS	38,067
2260	EMERGENCY DISASTER	5,416
2262	EMERGENCY SNOW REMOVAL	3,383
2390	DRUG FORFEITURE	8,000
2393	RECORDS PRESERVATION	36,394
2401	BRADY LIGHTS	5,000
2800	ALCOHOL REHABILITATION	14,440
2811	DUI PREVENTION	10,837
2820	GAS APPORTIONMENT TAX	192,314
2830	JUNK VEHICLE	7,007
2840	NOXIOUS WEED	60,063
2850	911 EMERGENCY	167,242
2859	COUNTY LAND INFORMATION	10,829
2860	LAND USE PLANNING	6,736
2865	OIL & GAS P&A GRANT (DNRC)	99,989
2894	STATE ALLOCATED FED ROYALTY	12,810
2897	OIL & GAS ACCELERATED	15,501
2900	PILT	410,784
2902	FOREST RESERVE, TITLE III	44,042
2917	VICTIM & WITNESS ADV	4,626
2938	WILDLIFE EXTENSION GRANT	2,440
2943	CDBG - GROWTH PLAN	3,533
2944	CDBG - BRADY CO WATER & SEWER	450,000
2955	BUCKLE UP MONTANA	35,681
2958	DES GRANTS	118,590
2962	HEALTHY CHILD	13,703
2968	BREAST/CERVICAL HEALTH	7,583
2971	WOMEN/INFANTS/CHILD	26,210
2973	MATERNAL/CHILD HEALTH	7,702
2976	IMMUNIZATION ACTION	5,816
2978	TOBACCO USE PREV GRANT	26,810
2979	NAPA GRANT	44,145
2993	HOMELAND SECURITY - NARROWBAND	32,767
4009	PUBLIC SAFETY CAP IMP	178,468
4010	JUNK VEH CAP IMP	20,984
4011	AMBULANCE CAP IMP	34,041
4012	GEN FUND CAP IMP	21,919
4013	ROAD/BRIDGE CAP IMP	275,538
4014	WEED DISTRICT CAP IMP	40,115
7208	RURAL FIRE DISTRICT CAP IMP	43,930
8010	CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	27,248
	TOTAL	2,496,224

LEVIED FUNDS  
NON-LEVIED FUNDS

GRAND TOTAL

\$ 6,058,489  
2,496,224  
\$ 8,554,713

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the final budget may be amended throughout the fiscal year as provided in 7-6-4031, MCA.

Adopted this 19th day of September, 2012 as moved by Commissioner Christiaens, seconded by Commissioner Broesder and passed on a unanimous vote of the board. Effective July 1, 2012.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ Cynthia A. Johnson  
Cynthia A. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ Sandra J. Broesder  
Sandra J. Broesder, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Janice Hoppes  
Janice Hoppes, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Joseph Christiaens  
Joseph Christiaens, Member

Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

**FY2013 EXTENSION SERVICES AGREEMENT APPROVED- September 19, 2012**

Commissioner Christiaens moved to approve the FY2013 Extension Services Agreement between Montana State University Extension and the county. Under the terms of the agreement, the County and MSU Extension Services will work cooperatively to provide county citizens with agricultural and consumer sciences programs.

Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

**REVIEW OF ELECTED OFFICIAL BONDS- September 19, 2012**

Pursuant to Section 7-4-2213, Montana Code Annotated, the Commissioners reviewed the sufficiency of the official bonds of all county officials currently in force. Upon determination that the surety coverage in place by virtue of the County's blanket bond coverage of \$500,000 per occurrence for all elected officials, Commissioner Christiaens moved to deem the bonds sufficient. Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR TREE TRIMMING ACCEPTED – September 19, 2012**

Requests for proposals for tree trimming services at the county courthouse property . Two proposals were received as follows:

Get 'er Done Wiest	\$2,500.00
Woods Tree Service	\$6,375.00

Commissioner Christiaens moved to accept the proposal of Get 'er Done Wiest. Commissioner Broesder seconded; motion carried. Also attending Buck Traxler, Editor of the Independent-Observer

**NO MEETING SEPTEMBER 26, 2012 AS COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES**

**CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT - September 30, 2012**

<i>FUND</i>	<i>AMOUNT</i>
GENERAL	\$ 19,096.77
ROAD	23,573.29
BRIDGE	15,274.41
WEED	2,545.07
COUNTY FAIR	46.08
AIRPORT	224.67
AMBULANCE	91.93
EXTENSION SERVICE	868.11
PUBLIC SAFETY (LAW ENFORCEMENT)	9,143.58
HEALTH INSURANCE - EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION	1,193.38
BRADY LIGHTS MAINTENANCE	319.24
JUNK VEHICLE	15.13
BUCKLE UP MONTANA GRANT	1,866.47
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS	1,003.22
LEAD POISONING HEALTHY CHILD GRANT	484.01
BREAST & CERVICAL SCREENING	856.43
WIC GRANT	1,678.61

MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH	559.37
IMMUNIZATION ACTION PROGRAM GRANT	69.93
TOBACCO USE PREVENTION GRANT	88.49
NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY GRANT	75.00
REFUND FUND	334.12
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TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 79,407.31
TOTAL PAYROLL	217,053.71
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TOTAL CLAIMS AND PAYROLL FUNDS	\$ 296,461.02
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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2012.

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CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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SECRETARY, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA