

***REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
Held in March, 2014***

The Board of Pondera County Commissioners met daily in informal session and in scheduled meetings on March 5, 12, and 19, 2014. Unless indicated, all Commissioners were present.

DISCUSSION REGARDING CLEAN-UP OF PIERRE'S BAR AND GRILL FIRE –
March 5, 2014

Dupuyer resident Rita Christiaens read her letter addressed to the Commissioners regarding her concern over the Pierre's Bar fire debris, it's health hazards, and unsightliness and its effects over the entire community.

Ted and Vickie Beck, property owners around Pierre's Bar and Grill in Dupuyer, were also in attendance to voice their concerns about the hazards of fire debris. Mr. Beck stated he has spoken to the Department of Environmental Quality and was told the property owner had been instructed to hire a certified asbestos inspector within 30 days. He stated he had offered to purchase the property for the current appraised value, but the property owner had refused the offer. Mr. Beck stated he would like to see the Commissioners adopt zoning and ordinance regulations. He would also like the Commissioners assistance in getting some abandoned vehicles parked along the main street of Dupuyer removed.

Also attending was Tom and Vickie Beck, Ron and Joyce Jones, Cherri Boggs, Rita Christiaens, County Sanitarian Corrine Rose, County Attorney Mary Ann Ries, and Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

Commissioner Broesder was away on County business.

REQUEST FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL APPROVED – March 5, 2014

County Sanitarian Corrine Rose requested permission to attend the National Environmental Association convention in Las Vegas, NV beginning July 7, 2014. She has grant funds available to pay for the travel and registration. Commissioner Hoppes moved and Commissioner Christiaens seconded to approve Corrine Rose's out-of-state travel. Motion carried.

Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

Commissioner Broesder was away on County business.

APPROVAL OF FOURTH DRAWDOWN FOR BRADY COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT CDBG – March 5, 2014

Commissioner Hoppes moved to approve the Drawdown #4 on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) #MT-CDBG-11PF-07 for the Brady County Water & Sewer District in the amount of \$19,456.48. Commissioner Christiaens seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

Commissioner Broesder was away on County business.

UPDATING SUBDIVISION REVIEW FEES-ADOPTED – March 5, 2014

Commissioner Hoppes moved to adopt the Subdivision Review fee schedule as follows:

First Minor Subdivision preliminary approval \$350, final approval \$100
Certificate of Survey (Subdivision Exemption) \$200

Commissioner Christiaens seconded. Motion carried. The fees were recommended by the County planner.

Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

Commissioner Broesder was away on County business.

SEALED BID SALE – COPIER – March 5, 2014

Sealed bids were solicited for a Minolta CPro Model EP4000 copier having surplus property value of zero. The solicitation was advertised for two weeks in the Independent Observer and The Valerian. No bids were received by the due date of February 25. Since that time, a sealed bid was delivered to the Commissioners.

The bid was opened, submitted by Cheryl Greczyk for the bid amount of \$20.

Commissioner Hoppes moved to accept the bid, pending payment and removal of the copier no later than March 11. Commissioner Christiaens seconded. Motion carried. Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer. Commissioner Broesder was away on County business.

PUBLICATION FOR NOTICE FOR SALE OF 2009 CROWN VICTORIA – March 5, 2014

No bids were received at a public auction on February 26 for a 2009 Crown Victoria, Commissioner Hoppes moved to publish a notice in Independent Observer and The Valerian on March 12 and March 19 advertising the sale of the car by sealed bid for a minimum of \$500, or best offer received. Bids will be reviewed at the Commissioners regular meeting on April 2. Commissioner Christiaens seconded. Motion carried. Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer. Commissioner Broesder was away on County business.

RESOLUTION DECLARING EMERGENCY – ADOPTED – March 10, 2014

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #38 – 2013/14

DECLARATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Pondera County has been experiencing heavy snowfall, rain and warm temperatures causing flooding and infrastructure damage.

WHEREAS, Weather projections are for more snow and rain combined with warming temperatures later in the week could cause additional flooding and

WHEREAS These factors combined with frozen ground is causing water levels to rise and roads to be damaged and washed out throughout Pondera County and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Pondera County Commissioners that an emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Section 10-3-402 MCA and all provisions of the County Emergency Operations Plan are in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be filed with the county Clerk and Recorder, County Assessor and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Pondera Board of County Commissioners this 10th day of March, 2014.

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Joseph Christiaens
Joseph Christiaens, Chairman

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

ATTEST: /s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Member

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS – IMMUNIZATION ACTION PROGRAM GRANT – APPROVED – March 12, 2014

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #39 – 2013/14

AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS – IMMUNIZATION ACTION PROGRAM GRANT

WHEREAS the Montana Code Annotated, Section 7-6-4006, grants the Board of County Commissioners the power and authority to amend the budget during the fiscal year by conducting public hearings at regularly scheduled meetings and to appropriate

March 2014

Expenditure	Description	Prior Amount	New Amount
2170-304-430303-350	Professional Services	\$127,304	
\$148,587			

Expenditure	Description	Prior Amount	New Amount
2180-101-521000-823	Residual Equity Transfer	\$0.00	\$500

Adopted this 12th day of March, 2014 as moved by Commissioner Broesder, seconded by Commissioner Christiaens, and passed on a 2-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Joseph Christiaens
Joseph Christiaens, Chairman

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

ATTEST: _____
/s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

Absent
Janice Hoppes, Member

MINUTES APPROVED – March 12, 2014

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve the official Minutes of the Commission for February 2014. Commissioner Christiaens seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Hoppes was absent. Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

REPORT ON NACO MEETINGS - March 12, 2014

Commissioner Broesder attended National Association of Counties (NACo) meetings in Washington DC March 3rd –March 6th. She reported the group had the opportunity to meet with members of the State Department to discuss and express NACo’s support of the Keystone Pipeline. Broesder also had the opportunity to meet with Montana’s congressional delegates and their staff. There were several Resolutions presented and passed by NACo members. Commissioner Hoppes was absent. Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

APPROVAL FOR DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT JOB DESCRIPTION — March 12, 2014

Commissioners reviewed the job description for Deputy Clerk of Court. The job description was also reviewed and approved by County Attorney Mary Ann Ries. Commissioner Broesder moved to approve the job description for the Deputy Clerk of Court position. Commissioner Christiaens seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Hoppes was absent.

ELECTION TO RURAL FIRE DISTRICT – March 19, 2014

The Rural Fire District Board members are elected to their positions. Montana law provides that if the number of candidates is equal to or less than the number of positions to be elected, the election administrator may cancel the election. In such case, the county governing body shall declare elected by acclamation each candidate who filed a nominating petition for a position. If a nomination is not made for one or more trustee offices, the county governing body shall appoint one or more trustees as necessary to fill those offices. A trustee taking office pursuant to this subsection serves the trustee term of office as if that trustee had been elected. Shawn Vermulm and William Breeding each filed a Petition for Nomination. In accordance with Montana statute, Commissioner Broesder moved to declare Vermulm and Breeding elected by acclamation, for a term of three years. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried. Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

APPROVAL FOR SEASONAL WEED SPRAYERS JOB DESCRIPTION — March 19, 2014

Commissioners reviewed the job description for seasonal weed sprayers. Minor changes were made to the description.

Commissioner Broesder moved to approve the job description for seasonal weed sprayers. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried. Also attending was Buck Traxler, Editor of The Independent Observer.

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT – March 31, 2014

<i>FUND</i>	<i>AMOUNT</i>
GENERAL	\$ 21,602.24
ROAD	22,022.10
BRIDGE	9,908.73
WEED	572.31
AIRPORT	1,940.96
COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE	0.00
AMBULANCE	258.80
COUNTY HOSPITAL & NURSING HOME	0.00
EXTENSION SERVICE	324.26
COUNTY FAIR	500.00
PUBLIC SAFETY (LAW ENFORCEMENT)	11,945.14
HEALTH INSURANCE - EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION	699.63
RECORDS PRESERVATION	0.00
BRADY LIGHTS MAINTENANCE	328.74
911 EMERGENCY	1,413.18
LAND USE PLANNING	150.00
NORTHERN TRANSIT INTERLOCAL	276.62
VICTIM & WITNESS ADVOCATE	0.00
BUCKLE UP MT	84.22
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT	1,200.49
HEALTHY CHILD (LEAD POISONING) GRANT	9.22
BREAST & CERVICAL SCREENING	32.44
IMMUNIZATION BILLING GRANT	9.21
WIC GRANT	186.07
MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH	682.25
IMMUNIZATION ACTION PROGRAM	9.22
TOBACCO USE PREVENTION GRANT	1,250.59
NAPA GRANT	114.22
HOSPITAL DEBT SERVICE 95	0.00
PUBLIC SAFETY CAP IMPROV	0.00
REFUND FUND	5,811.92
JUNK VEHICLE GRANT	0.00
GENERAL FUND CAPITAL IMPROV	0.00
ROAD/BRIDGE EQUIP PURCHASE	4,500.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 85,832.56
TOTAL PAYROLL	<u>208,822.21</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS AND PAYROLL FUNDS	<u>294,654.77</u>

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2014. Pondera County, Montana

Joseph Christiaens, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kody Farkell, Clerk & Recorder