

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
Held in April, 2016**

The Board of Pondera County Commissioners met daily in informal session and in scheduled meetings on April 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2016. Unless indicated, all Commissioners were present.

PORT AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR LOAN APPROVED – April 6, 2016

Cynthia Johnson, Executive Director of the Pondera Regional Port Authority, addressed the Commissioners regarding the function of the Port Authority and its request for a loan of the payment made to the County in lieu of taxes for property at the Blue Sky Villa. The request was originally made in December of 2015 but was not acted upon by the Commissioners at that time due to a possible need for the funding to be used for the Conrad Airport. Harold Olson, member of the Board of the Port Authority, and Ted Kronebusch, Chairman of the Board of the Port Authority, commented in support of the Port Authority and its request.

Following discussion, Commissioner Hoppes moved to approve the loan of the Blue Sky Villa payment in lieu of taxes in the amount of \$14,962.50 and that the Loan Agreement be amended to requirement that the Port Authority provide an in-person or written monthly report of activities as well as an annual report, including financial information, to the Commission. Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski.

VALIER AIRPORT LEASE AGREEMENT APPROVED – April 6, 2016

Vance Raines met with the Commissioners regarding the Lease Agreement between Pondera County and Dave Huyghe and Vance Raines. The Lease provides for an annual payment of \$1,000 for the hangar and pilot's lounge at the Valier Airport and for an automatic renewal for up to ten year. Commissioner Hoppes moved to approve the Lease Agreement with Raines and Huyghe. Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski.

BID ACCEPTED FOR SURPLUS METAL FUEL TANK – April 6, 2016

The Commissioners solicited bids for a total of eight metal, 150 gallon fuel tanks. One bid was received from Mike Kuka in the amount of \$75.00. Commissioner Kuka moved to accept the bid of Mike Kuka for one tank with the remaining seven tanks to be available for sale. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski.

SERVICE PROVIDER FOR CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY REHABILITATION PROGRAM DESIGNATED – April 6, 2016

Commissioner Hoppes moved to designate the Center For Mental Health as the State-Approved Chemical Dependency Service Provider for the provision of chemical dependency treatment and prevention services in the county for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT JOB DESCRIPTION (HEALTH DEPARTMENT) APPROVED- April 6, 2016

Commissioner Hoppes moved to approve the job description for the part-time, job share administrative assistant position in the County Health Department. Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH PROGRAM AND TRAINING APPROVED – April 6, 2016

Commissioner Hoppes moved to approve the implementation of the Emergency Medical Dispatch program offered through the Montana Emergency Medical and Trauma Systems through the Department of Public Health and Human Services. There will be no cost to the County and training will be provided by the State of Montana. The program will allow the dispatchers to provide assistance to the caller until the first responders arrive. Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski.

CREDIT CARD USE APPROVED – April 6, 2015

Commissioner Kuka moved to authorize the Administrative Assistant in the Sheriff's Department as a user on the County credit card. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski

PREDISASTER MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE DOCUMENTS APPROVED – April 6, 2016

Commissioner Kuka moved to approve the acceptance of the Pondera County Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) plan update project funding commitment letter and naming LeAnn Hermance as the Agent for the County in this project. The update is required under the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) in order to receive FEMA funds in the event of a disaster in the County. The grant is in the amount of \$25,645.66 with the County having to provide \$3,548.55 of "in-kind" contribution. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Zane Drishinski.

PUBLIC HEARING AS REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN GRANTS- April 6, 2016

A public hearing was called to order by Commission Chair Sandra Broesder at 5:15 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Pondera County Courthouse. The hearing was advertised in The Independent Observer and The Valierian on March 24 and March 31, 2016. Attending were Commissioners Broesder and Hoppes, Mary Ann Ries, County Attorney, Zane Drishinski, Wendy Wedum, MSU Extension Agent, Ron Jones, rancher from Dupuyer, Cynthia Johnson, Executive Director Pondera Regional Port Authority, Norma Bukoveckas, Ray Bukoveckas, Mayor of the Town of Valier, Wendy Judisch, Mayor of the City of Conrad, Lois Miller, and Sarah Converse, Executive Director of Sweetgrass Development Corporation.

The cooperative hearing is conducted annually in order that the various development organizations, local government officials, and interested parties can discuss funding opportunities available through grants and projects being considered throughout the County. The hearing ended at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE CDBG & OTHER MONTANA PROGRAMS – April 6, 2016

Chairman Sandra Broesder called the hearing to order 5:10 p.m. on April 6, 2016 at the Pondera County Courthouse. Those in attendance included: Commissioners Broesder and Hoppes, Conrad Mayor Judisch, Valier Mayor Ray Bukoveckas, Sweetgrass Development Exec. Dir. Sarah Converse, Pondera Regional Port Authority Exec. Dir. Cynthia Johnson, Lois Miller, Norma Bukoveckas, Ron Jones, Zane Drishinski, MaryAnn Ries and Wendy Weidum.

Cynthia Johnson referenced the publication of the notice of the public hearing for the purpose of identifying and discussing housing and infrastructure needs and public facilities. There were no public comments submitted prior to the hearing.

Sarah Converse reviewed the organization which is Sweetgrass Development, a five county CRDC and EDD created for the purpose of assisting and promoting economic, community and workforce development, in the Glacier, Toole, Teton, Pondera, and Cascade counties region. While funded partially by the state of Montana and the Federal Government, Sweetgrass Development also has a Revolving Loan Fund which originated with a Pondera County project. Sarah discussed the Community Development Block Grant, designed for public facilities, planning, growth policy development, and CDBG-Economic Development program, specifically for economic development projects which will create jobs. The CDBG programs must be applied for through a public entity, like cities or counties, but do actually benefit private development. Sarah also explained how the Revolving Fund Loan Program works. Pondera Regional Port Authority also has Revolving Loan Fund availability.

Sarah also discussed the Big Sky Trust Fund – funds derived from the Montana Coal Trust interest and designed for workforce training, job creation and planning grants; the Treasure State Endowment Program – funds for water and wastewater projects and workforce training; the Department of Labor Workforce Training Grant Program; Board of Research and Commercialization; Microbusiness Finance Program; Indian Country Economic Development; the Montana Manufacturing Extension Center; DOT

Transportation Alternatives Program and the Department of Agriculture loan and grant programs.

Public Comments were contributed as follows:

There was a general discussion regarding the Montana Main Street Program, how it begins and what it can be used for. Wendy Wedum, extension agent, inquired about potential assistance for Farmers and Ranchers who might consider diversification.

Dupuyer: Community has secured permissions to install traffic speed warning LED Flashing lights on the edges of town but must find the funding to purchase equipment. They also would like to relocate their fire hall, find a positive use for the School building, once it is retired as a school building. Sarah suggested an Assistance to Fire Fighters Grants. Community member, Ron Jones, expressed the community organization might have lots available to relocate the fire hall.

Update the existing restrooms at the edge. A tourism infrastructure grant might be an alternative to the restroom updates.

Conrad: There is a desire to extend existing walking trails in and around town. Much discussion ensued about what that would look like and where it could potentially be located.

Conrad resident, Lois Miller, inquired about grants or programs for community beautification. She was also concerned about the “tombstones” on the Main Street of Conrad. With the greater emphasis on tourism, she felt we should focus on creating an appealing main street and use our location, close proximity to the Rocky Mountain front, as an asset to bring people to town.

Mayor Judisch updated the community on the city’s efforts to upgrade water mains and update the water treatment facility. In addition to the water issues, the Mayor reported on the completed Rail Access feasibility study, the potential for rail expansion and the city-wide street improvements that are in the planning stages. Sidewalks are in need of replacement. The Mayor agreed that the trees that were once a part of our downtown city streets needed to be replaced.

Valier: The community is in dire need of a town wide clean-up project and the Fire Equipment and Street maintenance equipment are in need of updating.

Sarah reported there is a Brownfields sight in Valier is being mitigated.

The commissioners reported there had been a suggestion made by an active pilot from the Valier community to consider the establishment of a “Float Plane Servicing Center” near the lake.

Pondera County is undergoing a Disaster Mitigation Plan update and coordinating their effort with Glacier County.

There are many old wooden bridges that either belong to the county or are under their jurisdiction that are in desperate need of replacement or repair.

The HVAC at the County Courthouse is failing and must be replaced in the next 3-6 months.

The county intends to once again partner with the City of Conrad and the Town of Valier to update the County-City-Town Growth Policy.

There is a plan in place to create usable hangar space at the County Airport.

Drought committees have resumed their meetings in earnest.

Cyndi suggested a county wide structural asset inventory.

Sweetgrass Development will be doing their 5 year CEDS update this spring.

DISCUSSION REGARDING MAINTENANCE OF EAST LAKE ROAD – April 13, 2016

Patrick Montalban, from Montalban Oil & Gas, was in attendance to discuss the road maintenance by the County on East Lake Road, going to Walter Boumans’ house. Mr. Montalban explained that his company currently has oil wells and utilizes that area of the road. They are anticipating increased production and some increased usage of the road. He asked that the county put more gravel on the road. John Stokes advised him that he had spoken with the landowners and would be getting gravel on the road as soon as it is available.

Commissioner Kuka was absent.

Also attending: Patrick Montalban, Kraig Pester, Tractor & Equipment, County Road Supervisor John Stokes, and Zane Drishinski.

RENEWAL OF MOTOR GRADER LEASE – April 13, 2016

Tractor & Equipment representative Kraig Pester presented a proposed renewal of the county’s graders. A trade-in of all eight machines would give the county a down

payment of \$322,575. Total cost of eight new machines would be \$267,824 each for a total of \$2,142,592. An eight year lease of the machines brings the annual payment to \$176,357, \$50,000 more that the county is paying on the current lease. If the county were to continue paying what is paid on the current lease, a balloon payment would be required at the end of the lease term.

Commissioner Hoppes moved to table a decision until the April 20 meeting. Commissioner Broesder seconded. Motion carried.
Also attending: Patrick Montalbin, Kraig Pester, Tractor & Equipment, County Road Supervisor John Stokes, and Zane Drishinski.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET – April 13, 2016

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #28 – 2015/16
AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO
PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS the Montana Code Annotated, Section 7-6-4006(4), 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

WHEREAS Pondera County Commissioners approved the appropriations budget for the Pondera County during its regular budget approval process and errors in revenues and expenditures budget have been identified; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the budget be corrected as follows:

Revenue Amount	Description	Prior Amount	New
2840-3344011	Special Co Grant #16-537	\$0	\$7,500

Expenditure Amount	Description	Prior Amount	New
2840-313-431111-220	Special Co Grant #16-537	\$0	\$7,500

Adopted this 13th day of April, 2016 as moved by Commissioner Hoppes, seconded by Commissioner Broesder, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Sandra J Broesder
Sandra J. Broesder, Chairman

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Member

Attest: /s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L. Farkell, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A. Kuka, Member

PURCHASE OF MOTOROLA RADIOS FOR NEW SHERIFF DEPARTMENT VEHICLES-APPROVED – April 13, 2016

Commissioner Hoppes moved and Commissioner Broesder seconded to approve the purchase of two (2) Motorola VHF High Power radios for the Sheriff Department vehicles at a cost of \$4,928.23 each. Motion carried.
Also attending: Kraig Pester, Tractor & Equipment, County Road Supervisor John Stokes, and Zane Drishinski.

RESOLUTION DECLARING EMERGENCY DUE TO SNOW-ADOPTED – April 15, 2016

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #29 – 2015/16
EMERGENCY DECLARATION DUE TO SNOW

WHEREAS, the Spring Snow Storm is causing wide spread power outages, with power lines down from heavy, wet snows and ice accumulation, and ice and snow accumulating on trees causing branches to fall and damage houses and roads. Power lines are down across the interstate, state and local highways and county roads causing road closures throughout the county. Due to the amount of heavy, wet snow and the prediction of rain to follow this storm, flooding will be an issue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Pondera County Commissioners that an emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Section 10-3-402 MCA and the following annexes; Public Information, Mass Care and the Weather Related Appendice of the County Emergency Operations Plan are in effect and a partial Emergency Operations Center is opened.

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 15th day of April, 2016.

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Sandra J Broesder
Sandra J. Broesder, Chairman

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Member

Attest: /s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L. Farkell, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A. Kuka, Member

TREASURER'S SECURITIES REPORT – April 20, 2016

Pondera County Commissioners
20 4th Ave SW
Conrad, MT 59425

Dear Commissioners,

The following are the investments as of March 31, 2016

STIP \$2338.05 @ .5454105%

STOCKMAN BANK BALANCES \$5,561,668.35

STOCKMAN BANK –Collateral Report

3133EDYQ9 \$7,00,000.00 FFCB 2000842 .75% Matures 01/20/17
3133EDXT4 \$6,00,000.00 FFCB 2000819 .84% Matures 04/17/17

RBC WEALTH

02587DTY4 200,000.00 2.100% Due 09/26/2018 (CD)
06740KHNO 250,000.00 1.700% Due 07/30/2018 (step up)

RAYMOND JAMES

95450QY4 \$250,000.00 1.3000% Due 10/31/16 (CD)
40434AUW7 \$200,000.00 1.0000% Due 5/20/20 (step)
38147JL42 \$200,000.00 2.05% Due 6/25/19 (CD)
06740KHS9 \$250,000.00 2.1000% Due 08/13/19 (CD)
140420XL9 \$245,000.00 2.1500% Due 11/04/20

INDEPENDENCE BANK

CDARS 1018547909 Maturity 06/09/16 .29955% 500,000.00
CDARS 1018173146 Maturity 08/18/16 .59822% 1,000,000.00
CDARS 1018337319 Maturity 10/13/16 .6479% 3,500,000.00
CDARS 1018547917 Maturity 12/8/16 .6479% 500,000.00
CDARS 1018547933 Maturity 12/07/17 .89599% 500,000.00
CDARS 1018621505 Maturity 01/05/17 .6479% 500,000.00

CDARS 1018752936 Maturity 02/09/17 .59822% 500,000.00

Jeanne Moon, Treasurer

ROLL OVER OF LEASED MOTOR GRADERS-TABLED – April 20, 2016

Kraig Pester, Sales Representative for Tractor and Equipment, has provided the commissioners with financing figures to rollover the current motor grader lease agreements early, resulting in the County trading back the current machines and leasing newer models. Further discussion and research is needed and action was tabled until the next meeting.

Also attending: Dale Seifert and Zane Drishinski.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING PROPOSAL FOR COURTHOUSE HEATING, VENTILATION AND AIR CONDITIONING UPGRADE PROJECT – April 20, 2016

Pondera County has received an MEP Professional Design Service Fee Proposal from Dawes Engineering & Design for the upgrade to the Courthouse and Sheriff/Detention Facility to replace and upgrade all HVAC related equipment through a phased approach (except boiler); add and strategically replace air ducting distribution and terminals to provide a greater level of comfort than current verbally expressed conditions; replace most control components to equip (air handling units and chiller) and terminal units (radiators) to provide a great level of comfort and energy conservation; and test and commission each phase of HVAC completion (meeting current IECC year 2012 energy code requirement). The cost to the County for the MEP and Architectural fees through construction document and bidding process only is \$28,785. Commissioner Kuka moved to accept the proposal. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Dale Seifert and Zane Drishinski.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SATELLITE ELECTION OFFICE – ADOPTED – April 20, 2016

RESOLUTION #30 - 2015/16

ESTABLISHING SATELLITE ELECTION OFFICE ON BLACKFEET RESERVATION IN HEART BUTTE FOR THE JUNE 7, 2016 FEDERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Montana Secretary of State has issued Election Directive #01-2015 dated October 15, 2015, to all Counties in Montana with an American Indian reservation that includes voting-eligible residents to open satellite election offices on those reservations, if certain conditions are met;

WHEREAS, the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council has requested a Satellite Election Office on the Blackfeet Reservation in Heart Butte, Pondera County, Montana, and has agreed to provide an appropriate location for said office which meets the criteria for an appropriate office as detailed in the Election Directive #01-2015; and

WHEREAS, based on census data and current voter registration numbers for the Heart Butte Precinct, Pondera County officials agree to establish a Satellite Election Office on the Blackfeet Reservation in Heart Butte for the June 7, 2016 Federal Primary Election as follows:

Thursday, May 12, 2016	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 18, 2016	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24, 2016	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 2, 2016	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WHEREAS, the Satellite Election Office on the Blackfeet Reservation will be in place for the first time for the June 7, 2016 Federal Primary Election, the use of the Satellite Office, the days and hours will be evaluated after the June 7, 2016 Primary Election and adapted, if necessary, prior to setting days and hours for future elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CONRAD, MONTANA, THAT

1. based on census data and current voter registration numbers for the Heart Butte Precinct, Pondera County officials agree to establish a Satellite Election Office on the Blackfeet Reservation in Heart Butte for the June 7, 2016 Federal Primary Election as follows:

Thursday, May 12, 2016	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 18, 2016	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 2, 2016

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- 2. the Satellite Election Office on the Blackfeet Reservation will be in place for the first time for the June 7, 2016 Federal Primary Election and the use of the Satellite Office, the days and hours will be evaluated after the June 7, 2016 Primary Election and adapted, if necessary, prior to setting days and hours for future elections.

APPROVED by the Board of Pondera County Commissioners, Conrad, Montana, on the 20th day of April, 2016. Effective upon passage and approval

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Sandra J Broesder
Sandra J. Broesder, Chairman

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Member

Attest: /s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L. Farkell, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A. Kuka, Member

RESOLUTION DECLARING PROPERTY SURPLUS AND DISPOSAL – ADOPTED
– April 20, 2016

PONDERA COUNTY
RESOLUTION #31 – 2015/16
DECLARING PROPERTY SURPLUS AND DISPOSAL

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 7-8-2211, MCA, Authorization to sell and exchange county property, the Board of Pondera County Commissioners declares the following personal property belonging to the County as surplus property which is not necessary to the conduct of county business or the preservation of its property:

NeoPost postage meter	Zero Dollar Value
Three (3) desks	Zero Dollar Value
Three (3) small drawers	Zero Dollar Value
8” bench grinder	Zero Dollar Value

and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners have determined, pursuant to Section 7-8-2217, MCA, Procedure or sale of property of lesser value, it is in the best interests of the County to dispose of the above-listed surplus property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners:

- 1) hereby declares the property listed above as surplus property which is not necessary to the conduct of county business or the preservation of its property,
- 2) agrees to dispose of NeoPost postage meter, three desks, three small drawers, 8” bench grinder

ADOPTED this 20th day of April, 2016, as moved by Commissioner Hoppes, seconded by Commissioner Kuka, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Sandra J Broesder
Sandra J. Broesder, Chairman

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Member

Attest: /s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L. Farkell, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A. Kuka, Member

RESOLUTION LOAN TO FUND 7380 PORT AUTHORITY FUND – ADOPTED – April 20, 2016

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
RESOLUTION #32 – 2015/16
LOAN TO FUND 7380 PORT AUTHORITY FUND

WHEREAS, Pondera County receives an annual payment from the City of Conrad for the Blue Sky Villa, currently in the amount of \$14,962.50; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners have entered into an agreement with the Port Authority to loan the fiscal year 2015-16 payment to the Port Authority to be used for Port Authority revolving loan funds to small businesses within Pondera County and/or as operating funds; and

WHEREAS, the County has received the fiscal year 2015-16 payment in the amount of \$14,962.50 and has entered into a loan agreement with the Port Authority; and

WHEREAS, the funds shall be subject to repayment and/or forgiveness under the terms of the annual loan agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the Clerk and Recorder effect the loan of \$14,962.50 from the County General Fund to the Port Authority Fund and that the loan be repaid and/or forgiven under the terms of the April 6, 2016 loan agreement.

Adopted this 20th day of April, 2016 as moved by Commissioner Kuka, seconded by Commissioner Hoppes, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the full board. Effective upon passage and approval.

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Sandra J Broesder
Sandra J. Broesder, Chairman

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Member

Attest: /s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L. Farkell, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A. Kuka, Member

ELECTION JUDGE APPOINTMENTS AND DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACES – April 20

Commissioner Hoppes moved to appoint the following as election judges for the June 7, 2016 Federal Primary Election:

- Marilyn Waite Patricia Jones Cheryl Tornga Bev Anderson
Dan Picard Marliss Picard Mourine Grubb June Hovde
Alice Garman Dan Wilcox Debbie Wilcox Don Weisgram
Reta Rae Weisgram Sharon Waqlston Diana Agre Lonnie Stokes
Donna Minarik Jessie Wunderlich Randy Nefzger Raylene Stark
Mary Jean Brophy Diana Felton Joan Layne Jeff Holm
Leanne Hayne Susan Anderson Mary Bartoske Trina Jo Bradley
Jacob Fagan Vicky Hemry Terri Vandenbos Clint Rouns
Brenda Cook Shawn Hall Tanya Montoya Lorena Windyboy
Kisha Cook Terri Peters Jane Holzer Jeanette McLean
Rose Peterman Karen Nelsen

And to designate the following polling places for the June 7, 2016 Federal Primary Election:

- Brady Community Hall 12:00pm – 8:00pm
Pondera Center (Conrad) 7:00am-8:00pm
Valier Civic Center 7:00am-8:00pm
Heart Butte High School 7:00am-8:00pm
Dupuyer Community Hall 12:00pm-8:00pm

Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried.

Also attending: Dale Seifert and Zane Drishinski.

DISCUSSION OF DUST ABATEMENT APPLICATION TO MIDWAY ROAD – April 20, 2016

The Commissioners met with Road Department Supervisor, John Stokes, and Monte Fauque, Manager of United Grain, regarding the possibility of applying magnesium chloride to the Midway Road as a dust abatement practice. Topics discussed were the traffic on the Midway Road to the United Grain facility as well as the need for a yield sign rather than a stop sign on that road, the impact of dust on weed control and the cost. Approximately 1.9 miles would need to be done as traffic from the west to the facility is not greatly affected by the operation of United Grain.

John Stokes will contact several companies which provide the dust abatement product and application for cost comparisons. Once these numbers are determined, the County plans to approach United Grain corporate offices requesting a share of the expense be paid by United Grain.

Also attending: Dale Seifert and Zane Drishinski.

ROLLOVER OF LEASED MOTOR GRADERS-APPROVED – April 27, 2016

Tractor & Equipment had submitted proposal options for a rollover of leased motor graders. The final proposal was for:

Trade-in of eight motor Caterpillar graders at a value of \$322,575.07. The current lease will rollover to eight new graders plus two walk 'n rolls for a financed amount of \$1,860,316.93. Annual payments will be \$125,000 at a fixed interest rate of 3%.

Commissioner Kuka moved to approve the proposal for eight motor graders and two walk 'n rolls. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Broesder was absent.

Also attending: Allison Vergeront, Liaison for Senator Daines, Dale Seifert, and Zane Drishinski.

RIGHT-OF-WAY FORAGE REMOVAL AGREEMENTS APPROVED – April 27, 2016

Commissioner Kuka moved to approve the Right-Of-Way Forage Removal Agreements requested by Wylie Gustafson for the east and west sides of Price Road North, and from 1 mile south of Sollid Road to Furlough Road. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Broesder was absent.

Also attending: Allison Vergeront, Liaison for Senator Daines, Dale Seifert, and Zane Drishinski.

RIGHT-OF-WAY FORAGE REMOVAL AGREEMENT APPROVED – April 27, 2016

Commissioner Kuka moved to approve the Right-Of-Way Forage Removal Agreement requested by Ronald & Darlene Denney for the north and south sides of Pondera Coulee Road between Price Road and Moulton School Road. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Broesder was absent.

Also attending: Allison Vergeront, Liaison for Senator Daines, Dale Seifert, and Zane Drishinski.

RIGHT-OF-WAY FORAGE REMOVAL AGREEMENT APPROVED – April 27, 2016

Commissioner Kuka moved to approve the Right-Of-Way Forage Removal Agreement requested by Raymond Moritz and Kevin Moritz for the west and east sides of Old Shelby Road; north and south sides of Hovde Road; east and west sides of Primrose Road; north and south sides of Pondera Coulee Road; east and west sides of Kelly Road; and east and west sides of Prospector Road. Commissioner Hoppes seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Broesder was absent.

Also attending: Allison Vergeront, Liaison for Senator Daines, Dale Seifert, and Zane Drishinski.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET-ADOPTED – April 27, 2016

RESOLUTION #33 – 2015/16
AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO
PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS the Montana Code Annotated, Section 7-6-4006(4), 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

WHEREAS Pondera County Commissioners approved the appropriations budget for the Pondera County during its regular budget approval process and errors in revenues and expenditures budget have been identified; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the budget be corrected as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Revenue, Description, Prior Amount, New Amount. Rows include 4009-383010 (Transfer from 2300), 2866-383016 (Transfer to Northern Transit), 2300-201-420101-219 (Equipment), and 2300-201-521013-820 (Transfer to 4009).

Adopted this 27th day of April, 2016 as moved by Commissioner Kuka, seconded by Commissioner Hoppes, and passed on a 2-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

Absent
Sandra J. Broesder, Chairman

/s/ Janice Hoppes
Janice Hoppes, Member

Attest: /s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L. Farkell, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A Kuka, Member

RESOLUTION COMBINING HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUND INTO COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND AMENDING BUDGET-ADOPTED - April 27, 2016

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
RESOLUTION #34 – 2015/16

COMBINING HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUND INTO COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND AMENDING BUDGET

WHEREAS certain expenditures of the Homeland Security Grant Fund have been completed and the grant contract was not renewed; and

WHEREAS the remaining funds were from a purchase refund after that grant was closed, the funds will be moved into the County General Fund and the expenditures remaining be funded through revenues available in the General Fund, and

WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interests of the County and its citizens that combining the Homeland Security Grant Fund into the General Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Pondera County Board of Commissioners that, effective April 27, 2016, the Homeland Security Grant Fund will be combined into the General Fund.

DUI PREVENTION		1,886.65
NOXIOUS WEED GRANT		11,103.00
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT		791.17
BREAST & CERVICAL SCREENING		88.89
WIC GRANT		154.29
MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH		269.58
IMMUNIZATION ACTION PROGRAM		166.02
TOBACCO USE PREVENTION GRANT		101.33
NAPA GRANT		18.89
HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION GRANT		89.89
JUNK VEHICLE GRANT		22.84
ROAD/BRIDGE EQUIP PURCHASE		5,000.00
PUBLIC SAFETY CAP IMPROV		698.25
REFUND FUND		1,592.91
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$	144,684.66
TOTAL PAYROLL		<u>225,766.77</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS AND PAYROLL FUNDS		<u><u>370,451.43</u></u>

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on April 29, 2016. Pondera County, Montana.

Sandra J Broesder, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kody Farkell, Clerk & Recorder