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REGULAR MEETING April 12, 2016

Present: Commissioner Tucker Hughes

Commissioner Cody McDonald Commissioner James Moore

Also present: Clerk & Recorder Amanda Kelly

County Attorney Heather Perry Road/Weed Supervisor Roger Riley

Brian Biggerstaff

Jim Yeagley County Planner

Commissioner Moore moved to approve April 12, 2016 Agenda, second Commissioner Hughes, motion passed.

Commissioner McDonald moved to approve April 5, 2016 minutes, second Commissioner Moore, motion passed.

Commissioner Moore moved to earmark 100% alcohol tax monies for chemical dependency for prevention, second Commissioner McDonald, motion passed.

Commissioner McDonald moved to approved March 30, 2016 minutes second Commissioner Moore, motion passed.

Commissioners reviewed and accepted March 2016 reconciliation reports.

QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY:

Present: Ambulance Coordinator Suzanne Aune

Extension Agent Katie Hatlelid Commissioner Tucker Hughes Clerk & Recorder Amanda Kelly Commissioner Cody McDonald Commissioner James Moore County Attorney Heather Perry Maintenance Rodney Ridgeway Road/Seed Supervisor Roger Riley

Sheriff Jon Schmitt

Absent: Justice of Peace Larry Carver

Librarian Jeanne Lillegard

DES Coordinator Bonnie Ostertag

Clerk of Court/Supt of School Julie Peevey

Treasurer Tammy Zier

Safety Coordinator Suzanne Aune: present two short safety films "Avoid Falling Hazards"

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County Attorney Heather Perry: Subdivision education- Tara Dupree "April 18, 2016 6 pm – 9 pm, for Commissioners, Treasure, DES Coordinator, Clerk & Recorder and Planning Board.

Maintenance Rodney Ridgeway: lawn maintenance and general cleaning.

Ambulance Coordinator Suzanne Aune: always in need of more EMT's. Suzanne is working on the Safety Policy and will bring recommendations to the commissioners.

Sheriff Jon Schmitt: spring time traffic increase which also increases crime, office has been working felonies, search warrants, etc. Jon has also been putting together budget request. Since the generator has been installed Jon has been testing it weekly. DUI Task Force sponsored the 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament in Stanford.

Commissioner Jim Moore: Jim attended Council on Aging meeting and learned statistics for Judith Basin County is an aging population. Mental Health Board is re-working job descriptions and budget issues.

Clerk & Recorder Amanda Kelly: upcoming elections, audit and FY16-17 Budgets.

Commissioner Tucker Hughes: FLAP Grant Application (11 miles; Hardenbrook Ranch to Dry Wolf Camp Ground). TSEP Bridge Public Hearing Project is April 19th. Commissioners have been working with Stahly Engineering to prepare estimates for an elevator and repair the inside of the west wall in the courthouse. Discussed the need of looking into electrical upgrades to the courthouse.

Road/Weed Supervisor Roger Riley: White Top Grant Application received: \$16,500 and Knapweed Application received: \$10,000. Shop was inspected by Dept of Labor & Industry and had a couple of violations that needed cleaned up, everything has been addressed with the exception of the Safety Policy that needs to be adopted. Katie will pick a date for the spring Weed Board Meeting and notify the board members. Department has had a very productive spring; 18,000 yards of gravel has been crushed and placed on the Benchland Road. (11 miles-4")

Commissioner Cody McDonald: HRDC Board has had to cut office space, employees and valuable programs of the last few years due to the loss of funding.

Co. Extension Agent Katie Hatlelid: busy spring attending workshops and also putting them on. Crop Pest Management (pol crops alternative have been popular in JB County). Katie will be attending Nutrition Workshop in April, May 18th – Forage & Pest Workshop in Stanford. Dave Wichman MSU Experiment Station Manager is retiring this summer. Dave and his knowledge will be missed. Upcoming events: June/4-H, July/4-H Congress and August/4-H Fair.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Approve bus route change in Geyser.

Brian Biggerstaff – discussion of airport lease and issues.

Jim Yeagely – dropped off his Independent Contractors License (filed with contract).

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MINUTES ATTACHED: Public Hearing Tripp Minor Subdivision

Roger Riley – thought a commissioner should try to make the MACO PCT Regional Training. Road Department will be blading roads when we get good moisture.

ATTESTED:

Amanda H. Kelly; Clerk & Recorder

G.C. Tucker Hughes, Chairman

Minutes of the April 12, 2016 Public Meeting to Review the Judith A. Tripp Family Trust Minor Subdivision Application

As scheduled on the duly noticed Agenda, the Judith Basin County Commissioners held a public meeting on April 12, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. to consider the application of Judith A. Tripp Family Trust Minor Subdivision Application.

Present were: Commissioner Tucker Hughes, Commissioner Jim Moore, County Attorney Heather Perry, County Planner Jim Yeagley, and County Land Board Clerk Mandy Kelly.

Commissioner Hughes called the meeting to order and asked for public comment. There was no public comment. Mandy briefly summarized the public meeting of the County Land Board held on March 23, 2016 in which the Land Board voted unanimously to recommend approval of the subdivision without conditions.

Jim Yeagley was asked to present his staff report findings to the Commissioners. The five-page staff report included maps and surveys. The criteria addressed by the staff report and discussed by the Commissioners included the following: A. Effect on Agriculture; B. Effect on Agricultural Water User Facilities; C. Effect on Local Services; D. Effect on Natural Environment; E. Effect on Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat; and F. Effect on Public Health and Safety.

An access concern expressed to Mandy by a private citizen who was not present at either the Land Board meeting or this meeting was addressed by the County Planner who stated both parcels proposed in the subdivision had independent legal and physical access and did not impair any adjacent landowner's legal or physical access.

Discussion was held with regard to the primary review criteria in addition to discussion and questions pertaining to sanitation and the pre-existing septic system and drainfield. Agricultural and residential use of the properties as well as future uses were discussed. Easements for county roads were also addressed and the county planner will let the surveyor know the applicant must pay the review fee.

Commissioner Hughes asked again if there was any public comment and hearing none, asked for a motion with regard to the application.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the minor subdivision application subject to the condition that Judith Basin County will not assume responsibility for either road construction or road maintenance for either the access roads to the subdivision, those being Montana Highway 200, East Lyons Road, and Driftwood Road, or for any internal subdivision roads.

Commissioner Hughes seconded. The Motion to approve the Judith A. Tripp Family Trust Subdivision, a minor subdivision, subject to the condition that Judith Basin County will not assume responsibility for either road construction or road maintenance for either the access roads to the subdivision, those being Montana Highway 200, East Lyons Road, and Driftwood Road, or for any internal subdivision roads. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTESTED:

Clerk & Recorder Amanda H. Kelly

Chairman G.C. Tucker Hughes