

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF THE COMMISSIONERS**  
**MEAGHER COUNTY, MONTANA**

**June 2, 9 and 16, 2015**

**Tuesday**

June 2, 2015

8:50 a.m. – 12:17p.m.

Met in Commissioner's Chambers

**Meeting Called to Order:**

Chair Townsend called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

**Commissioners Present:**

Commissioner Herb Townsend, Commissioner Ben Hurwitz, and Commissioner Rod Brewer.

**Road Report- Tim Collins, Jim Gregory & Jacob Kusek:**

Tim Collins advised that he feels a rock roller which attaches behind the grader, would be a valuable asset for improving the roads. Especially in the spring when they are pulling in the shoulders and have loose gravel to pack down. The process to lease a roller has been started, and it is estimated to be here in 3 mo. The cost of a new rock roller is \$21,000.00 - \$22,000.00 per roller. The Commissioners would like the county road crew to utilize the leased roller first to see if it works well and would merit the cost before budgeting to purchase any. Collins also advised that the entire crew has been to Broadwater County, and completed training with the specific roller in discussion. The roller hooks up easily to the back of the graders and operated by hydraulics.

The County Road Department's goal in the future is to have all the graders be the same brand. This would allow for proficiency and the ability to have parts on hand. The oldest CAT grader has the most hours, however it still runs very well and has had very few issues.

Collins also stated that the road crew would like the Commissioners to consider increasing their clothing allowance. Collins referenced how much the Sheriff's Department is receiving in comparison to the Road Department. However, the road crew's preference would not be to wear uniforms. Commissioner Hurwitz voiced on behalf of all the Commissioners that they will consider the requests and do their best to prioritize needs in a way that is the most beneficial to the County and the Road Department.

Commissioner Townsend asked if everything was going well for them as employees. It was agreed by everyone from the road crew that all was going well and they are happy with the job Bruce Smith is doing as the supervisor.

**Approval and Resolution for Records Destruction- Superintendent of Schools:**

The RM 5 Records Disposal Request from Helen Hanson, outlining the records that she identified to be destroyed, was reviewed and discussed by all the Commissioners.

**Action #1**

**RESOLUTION 2015-#49**

Commissioner Brewer moved to approve the records disposal request as presented from Helen Hanson. Commissioner Hurwitz Seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved

***Chair Townsend – Update from the Planning Board meeting:***

The growth policy has been sub-contracted to Jerry Grebenc. There will be no changes in payment for the policy. The next meeting will be held on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

***Commissioner Hurwitz:***

Called Alan Stansbury to get an ambulance building update, Stansbury was unavailable, however Commissioner Hurwitz left him a message.

**Minutes:**

Commissioner Brewer moved to approve the minutes from the May 19, 2015 meeting. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Tintina Resources-Project Update:**

Commissioners left the Court House to attend a presentation at Tintina Resources at 9:54 a.m. and returned at 11:05. Commissioner Hurwitz advised that there was a presentation of a video about the project which all the Commissioners had seen before, and some minor details updating them on the status of the mining project.

**Treasurer- Sue Phelan:**

Treasurer Sue Phelan stated that due to some ongoing health issues, the current Motor Vehicle TAC has requested to go to a part time permanent position. With Commissioner Approval, Phelan will be placing a notice in the Meagher County News for the week of June 4, 2015, to fulfill the remaining part time position for the DMV section. The first position will work mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and the second will work from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00. Everyone agreed that the new person be allowed to work a full 8 hour days during the training process.

Treasurer Phelan requested the Commissioners approval of the resolution to transfer \$1,081.71 interest earned from County General Fund, into the County School Fund. These Funds represent the amount of 17% of the total interest earned, less 3% for the Treasurers' management on all monies invested by the County from May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2015.

**Action#2**



Meagher County, Montana  
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS

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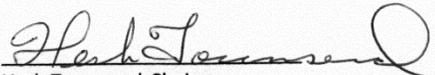
May 20, 2014

Sue Phelan  
Meagher County Treasurer  
White Sulphur Springs, Mt 59645

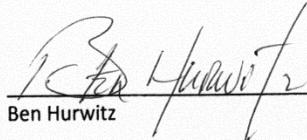
Dear Sue:

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED WITH RESOLUTION NUMBER 50 THAT \$1,081.71 (One thousand Eighty-One and 71/100) shall be transferred from the County General Fund, interest earned, into the County School Fund. The amount is 17% of the Total Interest earned, less 3% for the Treasurers' management on all monies invested by the County from May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2015.

Meagher County Commissioners



Herb Townsend-Chairman



Ben Hurwitz



Rod Brewer

**RESOLUTION 2015-#50**

Commissioner Hurwitz moved to approve the transfer of \$1,081.71 from the County General Fund into the County School Fund. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

**Clerk and Recorder Dayna Ogle- New Fund & Approval of Vacation Hours:**

Clerk & Recorder Office has received several road complaints in regards to the Lingshire Road. A call was made by Commissioner Hurwitz to the road supervisor Bruce Smith to notify him of the situation. Smith was unavailable, however, Commissioner Hurwitz left him a voicemail letting him know about the situation.

Ogle advised the need to create a new fund (2812) for a grant the Sheriff's office may be receiving for the DUI Task Force.

**Action #3**

**RESOLUTION 2015-#51**

Commissioner Hurwitz moved that Ogle create the new fund 2812 for the DUI Task Force Fund. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

Ogle advised the need to create a new fund (2341) for the Fire Education Grant. The Grant will be used for fire mitigation in Meagher County.

**Action #4**

**RESOLUTION 2015-#52**

Commissioner Hurwitz moved that Ogle Create the new fund 2341 Fire Education Fund. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday, 2015, Bruce Smith volunteered to donate 2 hours of vacation hours to the new road department employee, Jacob Kusek, in order that Kusek would be paid for a full 40 hour work week.

**Action #5**

**RESOLUTION 2015-#53**

Commissioner Hurwitz moved to approve Bruce Smith donating 2 hours of his vacation hours to Jacob Kusek. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

***County Attorney entered the meeting***

The Commissioners and Ogle discussed the changes that are expected with the renewal of Meagher County's Health Insurance. Julie Blockey is coming on June 3, 2015 to meet with employees that have families on the insurance. Blockey will be back to discuss the plan options with the Commissioners on June 9, 2015 at the regularly scheduled meeting.

**County Attorney's Report-Kimberly Deschene:**

County Attorney Deschene discussed the current mental health commitment. The judge ruled that the patient will stay at St. Peter's while waiting to have a procedure in Billings. The hearing to determine if the patient can be transferred to the State Mental Hospital will take place after the patient's procedure is done. Deschene stated she has done everything she can to move the process along as quickly as possible. She asked the Commissioners to consider budgeting for mental commitments because Meagher County usually has one mental commitment per year.

Attorney Deschene confirmed with the Commissioners that they approved reimbursing half the bill for updating her computer equipment in her office. Everyone agreed that it was still alright.

Attorney Deschene advised receiving continued concern from Sheriff Jon Lopp, in the form of formal letters, referencing conflict of interest between her position as county attorney and Bar 47. Deschene stated that the definition outlines it is only a conflict of interest if a crime is committed on Bar 47 property or its employees are a witness to a crime. The Commissioners advised that it will likely be a point of continued discussion due to the situation.

**Public Comment:**

No public comment.

**Claims Approved:**

Check #50331 voided because a report printed over the check.  
Commissioners were presented with Check #50332 through Check #50367 totaling \$18,309.06.  
They were also presented with payroll Check #11307 through Check #11330 totaling \$37,993.63  
All Checks were signed as presented.

**Meeting Adjourned:**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:17 a.m.

**Next Meeting:**

Commissioners are scheduled to meet Tuesday, June 9, 2015.

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**CLERK & RECORDER**

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**CHAIRMAN**

**SEAL**

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**VICE-CHAIRMAN**

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**COMMISSIONER**

Note: Minutes taken by Assistant to Clerk & Recorder, Kate Jones  
Distributed June 9, 2015 to Chairman Townsend, Commissioner Hurwitz, Commissioner Brewer, and Clerk & Recorder Ogle.

**Tuesday**  
June 9, 2015  
8:40 a.m. – 2:06 p.m.  
Met in Commissioner's Chambers

**Meeting Called to Order:**

Chair Commissioner Townsend called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

**Commissioners Present:**

Commissioner Herb Townsend, Commissioner Ben Hurwitz, and Commissioner Rod Brewer.

***April Stuart entered the meeting:***

April Stuart requested permission to use the Commissioner's Chambers if it is available in the afternoon on June 16, 2015. The Commissioners approved. Kate Jones from the Clerk & Records Office will stay in contact with April to coordinate the schedule in the event the Commissioners need the chambers in the afternoon that day.

**Minutes:**

Commissioner Brewer moved to approve the minutes from June 2, 2015 meeting. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded. A vote was taken and approved.

**Treasurer Report- Deputy Treasurer, Shauna Porter:**

Deputy Treasurer Porter provided the Commissioners with the Treasurer's Report to review and sign.

The Commissioners inquired about the job applications received for the part-time Motor Vehicle TAC position. Porter said that the Treasurer's Office has received a few applications back, and will be accepting them through Friday, June 12, 2015. Porter expressed optimism in regards to the flexibility having two part time positions will offer everyone in the Treasurer's Office.

Commissioner Hurwitz inquired into how Black Mountain software is working for the Treasurer's Office. Porter stated that it is has high learning curve and several glitches, however once the glitches have all been fixed it will work well. Porter said it has been difficult to keep up with everything because of timing between new software, the audit and the Motor Vehicle TAC being out of the office so much. However the Treasurer, Sue Phelan and Porter are working diligently to catch up.

***County Attorney Deschene and Cassie Coburn entered the meeting:***

Deschene introduced her daughter Cassie Coburn to the Commissioners and announced that Cassie will be working at Deschene & Swandal this summer.

Deschene provided a resolution for reducing of the speed limit on Jackson Loop Road during the Red Ants Pants Festival for the dates of July 23-26, 2015, to 15 mph. The resolution was reviewed by all the Commissioners.

**Action #1**

**RESOLUTION 2015-#54**

## Resolution 2015 - # 54

**WHEREAS**, the Red Ants Pants Music Festival is occurring in White Sulphur Springs during the dates of July 23-26, 2015;

**WHEREAS**, there will be heavy traffic in the area known as Jackson Loop and the speed limit should be reduced to ensure the safety of the motoring and pedestrian public;

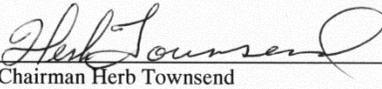
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the speed limit shall be 15 mph on Jackson Road during the dates of July 23-26, 2015.

Dated this 9 day of June, 2015.

Attest:

Board of County Commissioners:

  
Dayna Ogle

  
Chairman Herb Townsend



  
Commissioner Rod Brewer

  
Commissioner Ben Hurwitz

Commissioner Brewer moved to approve the reduction of the speed limit on Jackson Loop Road to 15mph for The Red Ants Pants Festival, 2015. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

### **Clerk & Recorder - Dayna Ogle, Budget Amendment & New Funds:**

The Commissioners discussed with Ogle the possibility of offering a bounty on wolves and coyotes that are harvested in Meagher County. More details and of the legality of a bounty, will need to be researched for further discussion.

Ogle presented a request for a new Fund (2974) for the Homemaker's Grant received by the County Health Nurse.

## **Action #2**

### **RESOLUTION 2015 -#55**

Commissioner Brewer moved to approve that Ogle create the new fund 2974 Homemaker's Grant. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

Ogle presented a request to create a new fund (2386) for the Board of Health Grant.

## **Action #3**

### **RESOLUTION 2015-#56**

Commissioner Brewer moved to approve Ogle creating the new fund 2386 Board of Health Grant. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

Clerk & Recorder Ogle presented the Commission with a number of funds that are in need of budget amendment before the end of the fiscal year.

1. Soil Conservation Fund 2311 is currently over budget, however they have enough cash available to cover the extra expenses encountered this year. Soil conservation representative Lacy Rasmussen expressed to Ogle that the Soil Conservation district did not want to continue having a cash reserve in their budget. Rather they will communicate with Ogle to only spend the funds that are available to them.
2. The county did not create a budget for the unused Entitlement money, therefore the Entitlement Fund 7950 is over budget. The fund will need a budget amendment for the transfer on money to other funds in the county who needed additional revenue for unexpected events. The Entitlement Fund 7950 had available funds, but no authority to transfer the money to other funds.
3. The South Bench Weed Management Area is a grant Otto received from the Noxious Weed Trust Fund. The WMA was created after the FY14.15 budget was set. Therefore the fund did not have a budget. Expenses have been paid out of the fund to chemicals and will be reimbursed in July. The county will have to create a budget amendment for the unexpected expense and also the South Bench WMA fund 2841 will need a loan from the levied Weed Fund 2140 to cover the unexpected expense until the fund can be reimbursed from the Noxious Weed Trust fund.
4. The Community Service Block Grant Fund 2979 is over budget and will need a budget amendment for the unexpected expense. Ogle will talk with Health Nurse Eva Kerr to see if there will be a reimbursement before the end of June to cover the unexpected expense.
5. The Land Use Fund 2860 is used to pay for Brian Clifton, Meagher County Planner's wages. There was not enough budgeted to cover his wages this year. The fund will need additional revenue to cover the unexpected expense. The commissioners could approve the transfer the money out of the PILT 2900 or possible the General Fund 1000. A decision will be made next meeting.
6. The Every 15 Minutes Fund 2811 is over budget. This is the fund the Sheriff's office used to fund the Every 15 minutes program at the High School every 3 years. The original budget was not sufficient enough to cover the entire program, however the program has received enough donations to cover the unexpected expense.
7. The Fire Volunteer Assistance Fund 2342 was created after the FY 14.15 budget was set. Therefore the fund did not have a budget. The Fund will need a budget amendment to have the authority to spend the money from the grant. The total grant is for \$7000.00.

8. Ogle presented the Commissioners with a Budget Amendment for the unexpected expense of \$22,922.00 (twenty two thousand nine hundred twenty two dollars) in the Airport fund 2170. This expense is was from the purchase of aviation fuel.

**Health Nurse- Eva Kerr, RN:**

County Health Nurse, Eva Kerr presented her monthly report to the Commissioners for their review.

She discussed her month has been busy due to the implementation of the homemaker position paid for by the grant. Kerr also discussed receiving an additional grant in the amount \$6,000 from the Bair Family Trust.

Eva Kerr presented the Checklist for Review & Approval of Communicable Disease Reporting Protocol(s), and the Checklist for Review & Approval of Sample Transport Plan for Meagher County, for the Commissioners to review and the Chairman's signature.

Kerr also let the Commissioners know she will be going to the Springdale and Martinsdale Colonies to give vaccinations to children later this week. She has found it most successful to communicate with the colonies via mail.

**SWFC- Julie Blockey (Insurance Rates):**

Julie Blockey, from Southwestern Montana Financial Center, Inc., was present to provide information and review rates on the County's health insurance. Also present were Clerk & Recorder, Dayna Ogle, Treasurer, Sue Phelan, and Deputy Treasurer, Shauna Porter. Rates will change very little for single employees and employee spouses only. However the rates made a large increase for children and family plans. Blockey has met with each individual family to make a plan for achieving a cost effective coverage.

Blockey then discussed with the Commissioners the "exclusion" that Pacific Source has addressed on "occupational coverage". Before January 1, 2015 the health plan had an exclusion for work related injury. Pacific Source worked with the State CSI office and eliminated this exclusion. Employees and dependents who are self-employed should still work with State Fund and apply for a "workman's compensation exemption". The Pacific Source health plan will provide health insurance for a work related injury, provided all criteria are met, including a "valid workman's compensation exemption". Blockey said that if families who have an employee at the county have specific questions, to please contact her. She would work directly with Pacific Source to address families' particular situations. Questions specifically asked were; what about children who help on a family ranch or a spouse who works at the county and may help on a family ranch in the evening and weekends. Blockey asked Ogle to specifically email these questions to her so she can forward them to Pacific Source.

***Rick Seidlitz entered the meeting***

Blockey will return on June 15, 2015 and be here all day, to complete open enrollment for all the employees.

**Fire/DES Report- Rick Seidlitz:**

Fire Chief, Rick Seidlitz presented his monthly report to the Commissioners for their review and discussion. He also presented a preliminary building plan and dimensions for a Ringling Fire

Building. Commissioner Brewer will do some additional research to get a more definitive cost estimate. Everyone agreed to discuss it further once there was more information.

Chief Seidlitz asked the Commissioners for approval to buy a trailer, with the remaining Bair Grant money, for the newly purchased Polaris Ranger. The Commissioners agree it is a good idea and gave their approval.

Chief Seidlitz also requested the Commissioners approval to submit a claim for Jess Secret's wages from the Fire Education Grant. The Grant was given to the county for the purpose of education & mitigation in the Grassy Mountain Fire District, the claim will be paid on next year's budget. The Commissioners all approved.

**Lunch:**

Commissioners broke for lunch at 11:58 and returned at 1:15.

**Red Ants Pants- Sarah Calhoun:**

Sarah Calhoun, the director of The Red Ants Pants Festival came in to give the Commissioners an update for this year's festival. Calhoun stated that planning is almost finished. The festival has been very successful from the beginning, especially considering it has been it in the black from the very first year.

The Commissioners let Calhoun know they had already passed a resolution for reducing the speed limit on Jackson Loop Road earlier in the meeting. Calhoun asked that there be a second resolution approving that a portion of Jackson Loop Road be closed to thru traffic. The area of concern is from the day parking area to the campground. This area has heavy pedestrian traffic and it is dangerous for pedestrians to have motor traffic to be driving through that area. Last year the staff for Red Ants Pants had difficulty getting compliance to a road closure because there was nothing formal established. Both of the resolutions will be forwarded to the Sheriff's Department for their enforcement and records. Additionally the Clerk & Recorder's Office will place an advertisement in the Meagher County News to notify the public of the road closure the week prior to the festival.

**Action #4**

**RESOLUTION 2015 -#57**

## Resolution 2015 -# 57

**WHEREAS**, the Red Ants Pants Music Festival is occurring in White Sulphur Springs during the dates of July 23-26, 2015;

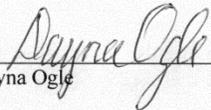
**WHEREAS**, there will be heavy traffic in the area known as Jackson Loop and a section of Jackson Loop should be closed for the purpose of ensuring public safety;

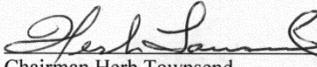
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that law enforcement may close a section of the road known as Jackson Loop during the dates of July 23-26, 2015.

Dated this 9 day of June, 2015.

Attest:

Board of County Commissioners:

  
Dayna Ogle

  
Chairman Herb Townsend

  
Commissioner Rod Brewer

  
Commissioner Ben Hurwitz

Commissioner Hurwitz moved to approve closing a portion of Jackson Loop Road for the Red Ants Pants Festival during the dates of July 23-26, 2015. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

The Commissioners agreed to have the Road Department water the roads again for dust control. Calhoun also asked about the potential for mosquito spraying again. The Commissioners agreed they would approve spraying for mosquitoes again this year. Kate Jones from the Clerk & Recorder's Office will get in touch with the mosquito board to notify them of the request. Jones will also draft a welcome letter and present it to the Commission for their signatures, for Calhoun to place in the festivals newspaper.

***Alan Stansbury with Morrison Maierle - conference call:***

Stansbury discussed his findings for the building so far and his recommendation is to stabilize the foundation by inserting Helical Piers to stop any further settling from happening. The Commissioners are all in agreement to take this action. Alan will get preliminary costs outlined and have them available for the June 16, 2015 Commissioners meeting.

**Human Resources New Part Time Position-Dayna Ogle:**

Ogle came up to follow up on the two new part time positions in the Treasurer's Office. Ogle requested that the Commissioners make a formal resolution to create the two part time permanent positions for the Motor Vehicle TAC.

**Action #5**

**RESOLUTION 2015-#58**

Commissioner Brewer moved to eliminate the full time Motor Vehicle TAC position and create two permanent part time positions in its place. The two new positions will be 20 hour per week and eligible for all part time employee benefits according to the Meagher County Personnel Policy Handbook. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

**Public Comment:**

No public comment.

**Claims Approved:**

Check #50351 in the amount of \$350.00 voided for the wrong dollar amount. Check #50375 in the amount of \$150.00 replaced voided check #50351.

Commissioners were presented with Check #50368 through Check #50398 totaling \$13,742.33. All Checks were signed as presented.

**Meeting Adjourned:**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:06 a.m.

**Next Meeting:**

Commissioners are scheduled to meet Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

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**CLERK & RECORDER**

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**CHAIRMAN**

**SEAL**

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**VICE-CHAIRMAN**

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**COMMISSIONER**

**Tuesday**  
June 16, 2015  
8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
Met in Commissioner's Chambers

**Meeting Called to Order:**

Vice Chair Brewer called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Commissioners Present:**

Commissioner Herb Townsend, Commissioner Ben Hurwitz, and Commissioner Rod Brewer.

**Cemetery Board – Water System Update:**

Members of the Cemetery Board present to address the Commissioners were Chuck Lucas, Cindy Mesecher, Mike Wofford and Cemetery Sexton, Gene Harris. Also in attendance was Sandy Harris. Cindy Mesecher updated the Commissioners on the current balance in the sprinkler fund of \$42,124.00. Mesecher announced that there is an anonymous donor who is donating a match of \$42,000.00, for the completion of the underground sprinkler system at Mayn Cemetery. The donation will be given to the Meagher County Community Foundation with the assignment of the sprinkler system. This would total \$84,124.00 available for the project. Chuck Lucas discussed the anticipated remainder in the Cemetery budget of \$8,000.00 after all bills are paid for FY 14-15, and wanted to know if the Commissioners would approve rolling that over into the Sprinkler Fund if necessary to complete the project. Everyone agreed that if it was needed they would approve the movement of funds from the Cemetery fund to the Sprinkler fund, however, they would like to wait and see what the bids come out at. The Commissioners all agreed that they are also willing to help if there is a shortage of a few thousand dollars to complete the project. The last estimated bid Gene received was \$89,000.00.

The Commissioners would like to see it done in one phase if the funds are available to avoid extra cost. Gene stated that the blue print has been checked by Townsend Tree and they confirmed that the blue prints looked good after some minor changes. A material list has been included is to ensure that they all bids use the same material in the bidding and installation process.

It was discussed and the Commissioner's decided they would like to approve the project go out for bid.

**Action #1**

**RESOLUTION 2015-#59**

Commissioner Hurwitz moved that the Mayn Cemetery Sprinkler System go out for bid. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. It is therefore resolved.

Dayna Ogle, Clerk & Recorder, will be notified of the situation by Harris. If indicated, Ogle will be asked to move the money from the Cemetery cash into the Restricted Cemetery cash, once proper approval has occurred. Harris will also ask Ogle to look over the bid and add dates before submitting it to the paper. The Commissioners would also like to have a formal acknowledgement published in the paper, to all the donors of the Sprinkler project. Mesecher stated she would handle that task.

**Minutes:**

Commissioner Townsend moved to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2015 meeting. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and approved.

**Sheriff's Report – Jon Lopp:**

Sheriff Jon Lopp presented and discussed his monthly report with the Commissioners.

Sheriff Lopp asked for the Commissioners approval to make the following purchases:

- A portable radio to replace the one that was lost on the airplane crash search. The total cost of the replacement radio is \$4,149.00, this includes complete set up. Lopp stated he will use the Capital Improvements Fund for this purchase.
- Replace one of the laptops in a truck that is currently 6 years old, for \$4,100.00. Sheriff Lopp stated he would like to start budgeting for replacing one laptop per year to start an every 4 year rotation.

The Commissioners gave their approval for these purchases. Commissioner Hurwitz inquired as to whether or not insurance would cover the lost radio. Sheriff Lopp said he would ask Ogle.

The new ambulance was discussed, Sheriff Lopp stated it has four wheel drive, and will likely be used mostly in the winter. All of the equipment that will be carried on the Vehicle is the same as the other vehicles.

*County Attorney Kimberly Deschene entered the meeting.*

County Attorney Kimberly Deschene came in to see if Kate Jones or Dayna Ogle had received an email with the drafted resolution for the road closure of Jackson Loop Road during the Red Ants Pants Festival. It was printed and presented to the Commissioner's for final signatures because the resolution had already been formally passed during the June 9, 2015 meeting.

*The Commissioner left the building at 10:10 a.m. to go see the new Ambulance and returned at 10:35 a.m.*

**ACTION #2**

**RESOLUTION 2015 -#60**

Chair Townsend moved to approve the Board Members up for renewal with the terms set below. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded. A vote was taken and approved unanimously. It is therefore resolved.

<b><i>White Sulphur TV Board:</i></b>	Timothy McGuire	07/01/2015-06/30/2018
<b><i>Weed Board:</i></b>	Rod Brewer	07/01/2015-06/30/2018
<b><i>Cemetery Board:</i></b>	Chuck Lucas	07/01/2015-06/30/2018
<b><i>Salary Compensation Board:</i></b>	Mike Eby	07/01/2015-06/30/2018
<b><i>Library Board Term:</i></b>	Gordon Doig	07/01/2015-06/30/2020

**Clerk & Recorder – Dayna Ogle, Budget Amendment & Year End Review:**

Ogle presented the following budget amendments for the Commissioners review and approval.

**ACTION #3**

- The Ambulance Outlay fund (4030) had more expenses than funds available to cover the cost of finishing the building in the amount of \$44,909.00. The Ambulance Outlay fund will receive a loan from the Ambulance fund (2974) in the amount of \$44,909.00 to cover the expenses in the fund.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #61**

Resolution 2015 - #61

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, The Ambulance Outlay Fund (4030) had funds set aside for the building of a new Ambulance Building and,

**WHEREAS**, the Ambulance Outlay Fund (4030) had more expenses than funds available to cover the cost of finishing the building in the amount of \$44,909 and,

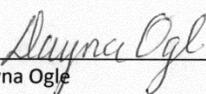
**WHEREAS**, the Ambulance Fund (4030) will need to receive a loan from the Ambulance Fund (2230) in the amount of \$44,909 to cover the expenses in the fund.

**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expenses of \$44,909 (forty four thousand nine hundred nine dollars and no cents) and the unexpected revenue from the loan from the Ambulance Fund(2230) in the amount of \$44,909 (forty four thousand nine hundred nine dollars and no cents) in the Ambulance Outlay Fund (4030).

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

Attest:

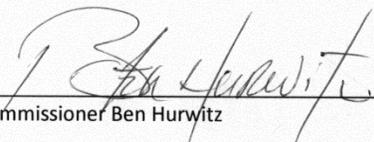
Board of County Commissioners:

  
Dayna Ogle

  
Chairman Herb Townsend

(SEAL)



  
Commissioner Ben Hurwitz

  
Commissioner Rod Brewer

- The Soil & Water Conservation fund (2311) is over budget and will utilize its cash reserve to cover an unexpected expense of \$1,965.00.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #62**

Resolution 2015 - #62

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, the Soil & Water Conservation Fund (2311) budgeted for a \$1,965 cash reserve and,

**WHEREAS**, the Soil & Water Conservation Board has made the decision to utilize the funds available in the cash reserve and,

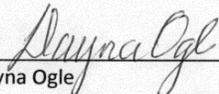
**WHEREAS**, the Soil & Water Conservation Fund (2311) had unexpected expenses after utilizing the cash reserve.

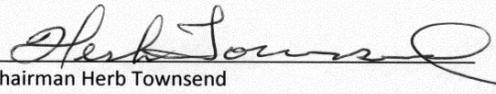
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expense of \$1,965 (one thousand nine hundred sixty five dollars and no cents) in the Soil & Water Conservation Fund (2311) and that fund will utilize their cash reserve to offset the unexpected expense.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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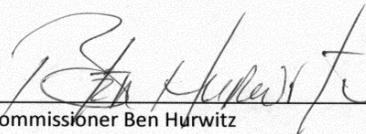
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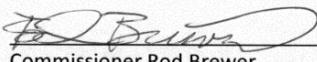
  
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- The county did not create a budget for the unused Entitlement money, therefore the Entitlement fund (7950) is over budget. The Entitlement fund (7950) budget will be amended for the unexpected expense of \$7,000.00.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #63**

Resolution 2015 - #63

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, The Meagher County receives Entitlement money every year and allocated the money to several different funds. The County did not have the need at the beginning of the budget year to utilize all of the Entitlement funds so the balance was put into the Entitlement Fund (7950) and,

**WHEREAS**, Meagher <sup>County</sup> ~~count~~ had a need to utilize the funds during the FY 14.15 and,

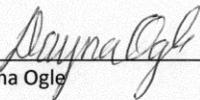
**WHEREAS**, the Entitlement Fund (7950) had unexpected expenses due to the transfers out in the amount of \$7,000.

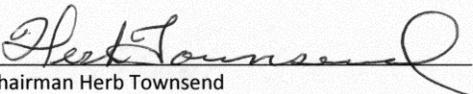
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expenses of \$7,000 (seven thousand dollars and no cents) in the Entitlement Fund (7950).

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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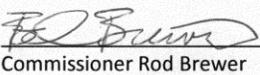
  
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- The South Bench Weed Management Area fund (2841) did not have a budget set for FY14.15, and had an unexpected expense of \$30,000.00 for chemicals. Therefore the WMA fund (2841) will receive a loan from the Weed fund (2140) in the amount of \$30,000.00 and will be reimbursed in July. The budget will be amended for the unexpected expense of \$ 30,000.00.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #64**

**Resolution 2015 - #64**

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, The Meagher County Weed Department received a grant from the Noxious Weed Trust Fund for the South Bench Weed Management Area (2841) and,

**WHEREAS**, the South Bench WMA (2841) did not have a budget set for FY 14.15 and,

**WHEREAS**, the South Bench WMA (2841) had unexpected expenses and,

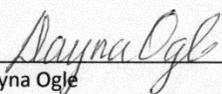
**WHEREAS**, the South Bench WMA will need to receive a loan from the levied Weed Fund (2140) in the amount of \$30,000 to cover the expenses in the fund.

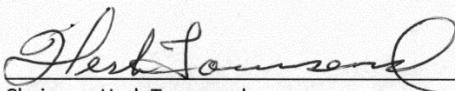
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expenses of \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars and no cents) and unexpected revenue from the loan from the Weed Fund (2140) of \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars and no cents) in the South Bench WMA Fund (2841)

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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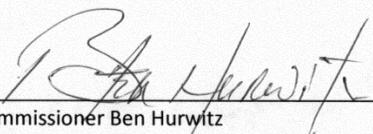
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- The Community Service Block Grant fund (2979) had an unexpected expense of \$950.00. The CSBG fund (2979) will receive reimbursement to cover expenses in the amount of \$950.00.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #65**

**Resolution 2015 - #65**

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, The Community Service Block Grant Fund (2979) is a grant reimbursement fund the County Health Nurse uses to provide services to the community and,

**WHEREAS**, the CSBG Fund (2979) had unexpected expenses of \$850 and,

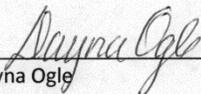
**WHEREAS**, the CSBG Fund (2979) will receive a reimbursement to cover the expense.

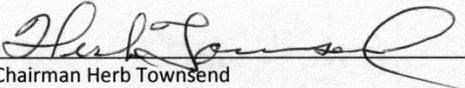
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expenses of \$850 (eight hundred fifty dollars and no cents) in the CSBG Fund (2979).

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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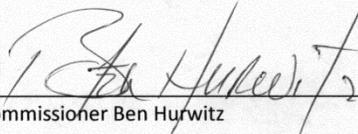
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- The Land Use Planning fund (2860) had an unexpected expense of \$3,200.00 and received an unexpected revenue from the transfer of \$3,200.00 from the General fund (1000) into the Land Use Planning fund (2860).

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #66**

**Resolution 2015 – #66**

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, The Land Use Planning Fund (2860) had unexpected expenses of \$3,200 and,

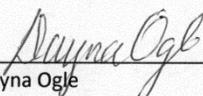
**WHEREAS**, the Land Use Planning Fund (2860) had unexpected revenue from a transfer from the General Fund (1000) of \$3,200 to cover the unexpected expense.

**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expenses of \$3,200 (three thousand two hundred dollars and no cents) and the unexpected revenue from the transfer of fund from the General Fund (1000) of 3,200 (three thousand two hundred dollars and no cents) in the Land Use Planning Fund (2860).

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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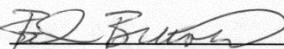
  
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- The Sheriff's office organizes and presents the Every 15 Minutes program for the students of White Sulphur Springs High School. There was not a budget set for FY 14.15 and the Every 15 Minute fund (2811) had an unexpected revenue and expense in the amount of \$2,875.00.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #67**

**Resolution 2015 – #67**

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, The Sheriff's office organizes and presents the Every 15 minutes program to the students of the White Sulphur Springs High School every three years and,

**WHEREAS**, the Every 15 Minutes Fund (2811) did not have a budget set for FY 14.15 and,

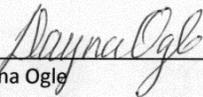
**WHEREAS**, the Every 15 Minutes Fund (2811) has unexpected revenue of \$2,875 and unexpected expense of \$2,875 due to the presentation to the White Sulphur Springs High School students.

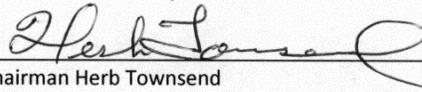
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected revenue and unexpected expense of \$2,875 (two thousand eight hundred seventy five dollars and no cents) in the Every 15 Minutes Fund (2811).

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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- The Home Maker fund (2974) has unexpected expenses of \$1,000.00. The Home Maker Fund will receive a loan from Meagher County Health fund (2378) in the amount of \$1,000.00.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #68**

**Resolution 2015 - #68**

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014-2015 Budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, The Health Nurse received a grant to create a Home Makers Program in Meagher County and,

**WHEREAS**, the Home Maker Fund (2974) was created after the budget was set and,

**WHEREAS**, the Home Maker Fund (2974) has unexpected expenses of \$ 1,000 and,

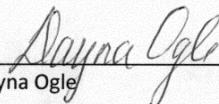
**Whereas**, the Home Maker Grant will need to receive a loan from the levied Meagher county Health Fund (2378) in the amount of \$1,000 to cover the unexpected expense.

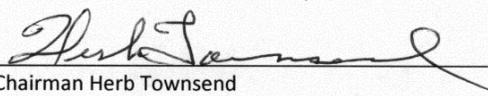
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expenses of \$1,000 ( one thousand dollars and no cents) and the unexpected revenue from the transfer of fund from the Meagher County Health Nurse Fund (2378) of \$1,000 (one thousand dollars and no cents) in the Home Maker Fund (2974)

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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- The Airport Fund (2170) has a separate cash line for aviation fuel, and did not budget for a fuel purchase. Therefore the Airport fund (2170) is amended for the unexpected expense in the amount of \$22,922.00 for fuel purchased.

**RESOLUTION 2015 - #69**

**Resolution 2015 - # 69**

**Budget Amendment**

**WHEREAS**, the 2014 - 2015 budget has been set, and

**WHEREAS**, the Airport Fund (2170) has a separate cash line for aviation fuel sales and,

**WHEREAS**, the Airport Fund (2170) had to purchase aviation fuel and,

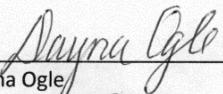
**WHEREAS**, the Airport Fund (2170) has unexpected expenses of \$22,922.00

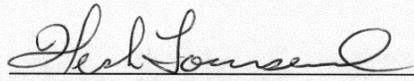
**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Meagher County Board of Commissioners are amending the budget for the unexpected expense of \$22,922.00 (twenty two thousand nine hundred twenty two dollars) in the Airport Fund (2170).

Dated this <sup>16<sup>th</sup></sup> ~~9<sup>th</sup>~~ day of June, 2015

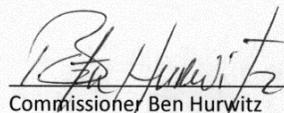
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Commissioner Hurwitz moved to approve all the above budget amendment resolutions as presented. Commissioner Brewer seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

The Commissioners addressed Ogle about finding someone qualified to help her with the annual report. Ogle stated that she hasn't contacted anyone yet, but has someone in mind. The Commissioners reiterated their willingness to hire help for Ogle if it is needed. Ogle also told the

Commissioners that she is hoping to start training Penny Plachy on doing payroll in the new Black Mountain Software, in the event Ogle was ever unable to do so.

**Public Comment:**

No public comment.

**Claims Approved:**

Payroll Check #011331 in the amount of \$418.45 & Check #011332 in the amount of \$70.21 were voided due to wrong check number printing on checks.

Payroll Check # 011333 in the amount of \$418.45 and Check #011334 in the amount of \$70.21 were presented and signed.

Commissioners were presented with Check #50399 through Check #50426 totaling \$196,144.55. All Checks were signed as presented.

**Meeting Adjourned:**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

**Next Meeting:**

Commissioners are scheduled to meet Tuesday, July 7, 2015.

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**CLERK & RECORDER**

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**COMMISSIONER**

Note: Minutes taken by Administrative Assistant to Clerk & Recorder, Kate Jones  
Distributed July 7, 2015 to Chairman Townsend, Commissioner Hurwitz, Commissioner Brewer, and Clerk & Recorder Ogle.