Commissioner Kartevold opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m., with Gary Kartevold, Dennis Zander, and Joe Sharbono present. Also present were Charley & Denise Dion, Kate & RT Morris, Jerry Howard, Mike Botch, Allen Percho, Mark Moore, Geri Cullinan, Alice Cullinana, Jim Sprankle, Nathan Bilyeu, Forrest Sanderson, Brett Irigoin, Timber Dempewolf, Olivia Rieger, Grace Koffler, Ben Reynolds, Shelley Gustafson, Knute Gustafson, Tammy Hart, L Lohse, Linda Peterson-Lohse, Chad Knudsen, Ranger Review Reporter and Shirley Kreiman Clerk & Recorder.

Prior Meeting Minutes:
A motion was made to approve the minutes for July 3-Aug 2, 2019. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Items to be added to the agenda:
A motion was made to add the following items:
- Under Administrative Items
  - DeSaye termination
  - Travel requests, Newnam, O'Brien
  - Family Planning agreement
- Under Correspondence:
  - DNRC revolving fund loan program in lieu of commitment agreement
  - DPHHS CSED notice they are not right department to make appointment to safety team
  - Correction Treasurer Cash report
The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Previously Approved Administrative Items:
**Resignations:** Tina Carter, Museum Curator effective 7-29-19, Tina Petersen Library/Events 7-31-19; Phyllis Engle Kitchen Asst. Sr. Center, Janice Vaira Opp Seasonal Env. Health Tech 7-31-19

**Termination:** DeSaye 8-2-19

**New Hires:** Reed Holte, Control Room Operator DCCF 7-15-19

**Board Appointments:** Sarah Barnick and Steven Kaul appointed to Library Board

**Transfer of Funds, RR Irrigation Pipeline:** A transfer was approved on July 23 to transfer $10,950.40 from the St Allocated Mineral Fund to the RR Irrigation Pipeline fund for June 30, 2019. Also a transfer of $10,950.40 from RR Irrigation pipeline to the St. Allocated Mineral Fund on July 23, 2019 to repay the loan.

**Transfer-Interest Clearing Fund:** A transfer was approved on July 19 to transfer $46,119.56 from interest clearing fund to designated funds for interest from investments for June 2019.

**Transfer-Compensated Absence Fund:** A transfer of $1,222.93 from the Compensated Absence fund to General Fund for Nerison payoff after becoming elected official was approved on June 30, 2019.

**Great West Consultant Agreement:** A professional services contract for Great West Engineering was approved on July 31, to provide engineering services replacement of a sanitary sewer main in the Forest Park Subdivision $13,500

**Encroachment Permit Greg Kemp:** An encroachment permit was approved on August 1 for an approach on County Road 303, Section 30, T17N, R56E, XY Ranch.

**Great West Consultant Agreement:** A professional services contract for Great West West was approved on July 31 for an amendment to Great West Professional Services Contract dated December 31, 2018 for additional services on a wastewater system preliminary engineering report increasing the project from a cost-benefit analysis to the completion of a PER for wastewater collection system for an additional $5,000

**Travel Requests:** Travel requests were approved for:
Lynn Newnam and Pam O'Brien to travel to Helena Aug 11-15 for Great Family Conference
Renee Steinbron to Helena Aug. 11-14 for Montana Children's trust fund training and Great Beginnings Conference
Joy Partridge to Helena Aug 11-15 for Great Beginnings Conference

New Administrative Items:

Travel Request-A motion was made to approve travel requests for:
- Tommy Knoll to attend low pressure boiler seminar in Billings Sept 18-19
- Shirley Kreiman to attend C&R convention in Billings Aug 11-16
- Barb Roehl to attend Performance and Coaching Training Workshop at Carney center on Aug 15, 2019

The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Family Planning Agreement-Dr. Bruce Swarney-Timber Dempewolf stated this was a renewal of a contract. A motion was made to approve the agreement with Dr. Swarney to provide medical director services to the Dawson County Family Planning clinic for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

Old Business:

Board Appointments Needed
- Bell Street Bridge Committee
- Board of Appeals
- Alcohol and Drug Board
- HP Irrigation Board
- Fair Board
- Dawson County Rural Fire District Board

New Business:

Certificate of Survey Moore Lot Aggregation- The commissioners reviewed COS and the staff report from the county planner, proposing to aggregate two lots into one (1) tract in Section 22, T16N, R55E. There are two existing tracts of record and with this survey only one tract will remain. Total acreage involved in this survey is .98 acres. A motion was made to approve the Certificate of Survey and authorize the Clerk & Recorder to file the Certificate of Survey as provided in the Subdivision Regulations. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Certificate of Survey Morris Lot Aggregation- The commissioners reviewed COS and the staff report from the county planner. Aggregation proposing to relocate boundaries between existing tracts in Section 34, T26N, R55E. There are three existing tracts and with this survey one tract will remain. The total acreage involved in this survey is 4.02 acres. A motion was made to approve the Certificate of Survey and authorize the Clerk & Recorder to file the Certificate of Survey as provided in the Subdivision Regulations. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Hearing on Protests: Commissioner Kartevold stated that they were going review and read the protests in regards to the creation of the Rural Special Improvement and Maintenance District #48. Commissioner Zander handed out a note breaking down the anticipated costs to a single family residence in regards to the proposed RSID. Commissioner Kartevold stated County Planner Forrest Sanderson, County Attorney Brett Irigoin, and Bond Counsel Nathan Bilyeu were available to answer questions. Commissioner Zander gave an overview of the project before hearing the protests:

There were three sewer districts within West Glendive. The Department of Environmental Quality deemed the lagoon inoperable with the discharge into the river. A Construction project was planned boring under the river to connect to the City Wastewater Treatment plant. A Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer District System was formed as it was a structure under the Montana Code that allowed for both City and County properties to be included within a district, which was the case in West Glendive. The system allowed only one way of assessment, by acreage. The problem was protests were sent to users and landowners within the district who were not users and did not have a chance to protest. A lawsuit was brought forth by some of these owners and they were deemed right in their not having a chance to protest and the Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer District was abandoned. Since the intent was never to go by acreage rather than by users, we couldn’t use that district. Legislature was brought forth in the 2019 Legislature to allow Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer Districts to assess by any methods available under RSID’s and it did pass, but it didn’t do us any good, as we were in the process of the creation under a rural special improvement district. In
order to correct the situation, the commissioners have set forth their intent to create a rural special improvement district in order to assess the benefactors of the system and make payment on the bonds. The old boundary was used with a few adjustments. Zander referred to his handout. The new district will consist of three different assessments, an annual construction assessment of $144.00 per parcel, an annual maintenance assessment of $67 per parcel, (on taxes) and an operations billing of approximately $575 per unit. Anything that was currently on your tax statement for sewer will be erased and this will be replaced with these numbers. There was a misconception that this was in addition to the current amounts, but the old goes away. Under Montana Code, since the County does not own the facility they have to send a utility bill rather than assess on taxes for the operations portion. It may be monthly or quarterly. The rate will fluctuate based on flow. It works out to approximately $786 annually or $65.50 per month for a single family home if they were all billed together.

Kartevold-State the summation of the protests.

Eighty-Seven (87) total protests received. Sixteen (16) within the city and seventy-one (71) from the county. Eight point eight percent (8.8%) County protests, and Twenty-Nine (29%) City protests.

Commissioner Kartevold read a standardized form letter from individuals stating their name address and their desire to protest the formation of the Special Improvement District. The Clerk and Recorder read all names of the property owners who had signed this type of form letter.

Commissioner Kartevold asked the Clerk & Recorder to read all other letters submitted in protest to the formation of the district. All other letters were read out loud. Letters are on file with the Clerk & Recorders office.

Commissioner Kartevold asked Forrest Sanderson, Brett Irigoin and Nathan Bilyeu to address some the comments made in the protest letters:

**Note:** Comments are not verbatim, but a summarization of the comments made.

**Irigoin-I** will try to address the concerns mentioned in the letters and public comment. The county didn’t just decide to do this. They had to do this to address the DEQ mandated order. The previous district fell through for the reasons that Commissioner Zander talked about. We are trying to fix the issues, not only in a legal but the most equitable way we can do it. Another concern was about the payments through the other district, that they are gone, but the payments are still going towards what we are doing.

**Nathan Bilyeu-DNRC** loaned the money and financed credits for payments from the Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer District. They are crediting the payments made by the former district. All interest and principle paid is going towards the loan with the obligations. It was a 20 year note and the first 2 years payments have reduced the principle and interest of the old note. A new note will be created for 18 years and the previous payments have been applied to the debt. They are just financing the outstanding balance. I want to address the credit about the authorization of this. The Authorization is under RSID Section 7-12-2102 for the formation of a RSID covering the acquisition of sewer and wastewater of city and county properties. The city concurs with the county for a joint city/county resolution. This resolution did occur. The city did agree to the terms for a joint RSID. There was an open protest period. 8.8% of total properties protested. It needs to exceed 50%. There was a 29% from city residents and it must reach 40%. The protests were insufficient under the statute to contest the creation of the district. This is where the authority comes from.

**Knute Gustafson-615 W Lark Lane.** We live off of Jefferson School Road and are not in Forest Park or Highland Park. There was no infrastructure there and we developed a well and septic system and have no access to the public system. I would have to bear the cost of tying into the infrastructure. We should be excluded from the district, we receive no benefit. When we moved out there we could not hook into the system and it would be cost prohibitive to tie into it from Jefferson School Road.

**Sanderson-I** will look at his particular parcel to see if it could be excluded.
Charles Dion-Forest Park resident. $144+$67/12 with 998 parcels to pay back the loan for 18 years with operations.

Bilyeu, $141,934 annual payment for 18 years.

Dion- My problem is with the $575. $735,985. This seems like a ridiculous number to operate this system.

Sanderson: The $575 is a placeholder. The city sends a bill to the county and it depends on what the flow is. Once we get the final methodology we will know better. There will be a public hearing when we get the final amount.

Zander-City residents in the RSID pay the same amount.

Denise Dion-We paid $741 last year for O&M Where did this money go, we should be able to see it. Are we paying the fair share. I thought we were receiving a grant

Bilyeu-Dawson County received a grant of $400,000 was paid towards the debt. The grant doesn’t pay for maintenance etc, it went towards construction costs.

Zander-In 2017, An avg lot in forest park paid $689 for operations $41 was for construction plus or minus $730 total. In 2018 because of the lawsuit we didn’t assess the construction, only the $689, if this were to pass an avg lot would pay $786, assuming it were all put on the taxes, but the operations is going to be billed.

Dion-That is a lot of money. We should have an accountability. The city should have an accountability as well, if we are in a co-op with the city.

Zander-We can provide that.

Kate Morris-Where does it say in your book that those of us that those of us that can’t use the system have to pay for it and the maintenance of it?

Bilyeu-The definition of a parcel benefited for it.

K Morris-We don’t benefit from it, we can’t connect to it, it would be cost prohibitive.

Bilyeu-The legal language is standard. There is a cost to those benefited parcels. I don’t have the expertise to say what it would cost to connect to the system, but the engineers say that the parcels within this district will have access to the pipeline.

Sanderson-I’m going to ask the commissioners would delay action while I look into the Gustafson property and your property. I’ll take a look at this.

Robert Morris-The construction and maintenance levy is based on ownership in the district and the operations is based on being connected to the system. You won’t pay operations if you are not connected.

Zander-The operations numbers are based on the units, a family home is 1 unit, a 4-plex 4 units, etc. There are 988 parcels but 1,277 units. So operations will fluctuate based on the flow going across the river as well as when the units change.

Jim Sprankle-Are you saying a unit is already connected to the system.

Zander-Yes

Sprankle, so how much is someone who is not connected to the system going to pay?

Zander-$144 plus maintenance

Earl Corneliesen-So all the land that was in the old district is now in the new one that was created. Like 50 years ago you could build a grocery store or a house, no problem. Now this in the
floodplain and you can’t build without using stilts–My feeling is that land in the floodway that is restricted from building on should have been excluded from the district, unless you were hooked up to it. The only thing is if in the future you want it, I think it should have been excluded.

Allen Fercho-Question on empty building, like the empty wall. Parcel wise-is it one parcel.

Zander-1 parcel

Fercho-Each unit, even though it is empty, are they being taxed?

Zander – yes

Alice Cullinan-Is the Parkwood motel one parcel?

Zander- one parcel, depending on the lot and land and survey, Is it a separate lot?

Cullinan-I hope it doesn’t get too high, or we should give it to the county for halfway house.

Dion-The county owns a house in Forest Park –Who pays the taxes on that.

Kartevold-The county does. Zander-Only the Federal properties are exempt.

Ben Reynolds-Jefferson School-When this ending? They only go up and up, when does it stop? What other taxes will start when this ends? When will the taxing stop? Do we have to keep paying it?

Kartevold-The construction portion is done in 18 years.

B Reynolds-When that stops, what are you going tax us for?

Irigoin-I don’t think anyone can answer that. This was DEQ saying this needed to be done.

Reynolds-I know it needed to be done, but this was rammed down our throats.

Irigoin-This was done by code. No point was a decision made. It was done in accordance with code. I understand your frustration, but from a legal standpoint, this was done the way it was laid out by code. I feel that I can speak for the commissioners that all the decisions that were made were made so that it was done by code. We used the guidelines and timelines and it may seem fast paced, but it is done within those guidelines.

Reynolds-Now if anything new comes up for taxes, we just want to say no. We can’t afford to do anymore.

Fercho-A 4-plex with $144+67 and monthly operations $575 a building of 4 units $3800 for a sewer system and you add the rest of the taxes, $7,000 or more for one apartment building and that has to be passed on to the renters. I can’t afford that kind of rent. Vs a single unit.

Geri Cullinan-On the Parkwood for my mother-in-law. She was told one tax bill–would be one charge. The monthly/quarterly charge is that per room? She has 18 rooms.

Kartevold-One parcel one charge for the construction and maintenance. Operations is per unit based on a formula, so many rooms to a unit.

Sanderson-Is the hotel on a meter?

Cullinan-I know Albertsons is on a meter, but I’m not sure about the motel.

Zander-If it is in the city and receiving city water, it should have a meter.

Sanderson-If there is a meter, there is a calculation based off the water meter reading. It was one of the discussions we had in the past about installing meters on all of the properties, rather than
assessing a flat fee, but installing meters runs into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. That was then not considered at this point in time, but at some point in time that could be considered. Going back to Mr. Gustafson. I do not have all of the original maps, but I believe it was part of the original RID and got rolled in by default, if the service connection falls four times beyond the DEQ requirement for septic and drainfield, it could be excluded, same with the Morris property. Exclusion, now, if it were to provide additional sewer to potentially developable properties, could be cost prohibitive to ever get back into the district at some point in the future, so before any final decision being made on either property based on their site cost, they could decide today if they want to be excluded. That option would not be available to all unconnected owners, but would be depending on site costs. Keep in mind if the property is excluded so is the protest excluded.

Kartevold-They have to both be on the edge as we can’t form an island, correct?

Sanderson-Bond counsel says I can form an island.

Bilyea-What statute says is it has to be describable. You can’t divide up parcels, but if you have a lot is not benefited. If you are in a place where DEQ will not allow you to rebuild a drain system, you are benefited. If you sell the place in the future, you wouldn’t buy it if you couldn’t replace a failed drain field. It may depend on if DEQ says this and if there is a legal described boundary. A red boundary may be drawn a map as excluded and you have to have no benefit. Not even current benefit but market benefit.

Irigoin-Even a future benefit is a legal benefit. The DEQ will not let you put a septic or drain field in a floodway area and even though I know it seems ridiculous if you look at a map almost all of west Glendive is in that area. It is considered a legal benefit, if your drain field were to fail you’d be required to tie into the municipal system and so your property would be considered benefited.

Gustafson-Some of the properties of the flood plain are Dry Creek, so if we are incorporated into the district, as a point of clarification then we would not be able to replace our drain field, if it failed, we would have to tie into the system?

Irigoin-If you opted out, you would not only have to pay to tie in you would have to pay the back construction costs as well.

Sanderson—Fercho, in your 4 plex example, I ran the numbers it would $2,712/yr 225/mo or 4.60 per unit per month. It would be below the cost of a single family home.

Sanderson-it is construction and one unit of maintenance per parcel. A vacant tract would pay 1 maintenance unit. It is there to keep the system viable into the future. The flows coming in from West Glendive represent about 31%. We don’t have the population to represent that number and what that tells the engineers is there is high rate of infiltration into the system and the pipes are degrading. The maintenance fee will go to correct those deficiencies of the system.

Irigoin-That goes along with what the Supreme Court says into paying towards maintenance as it is a future benefit.

Sanderson-So if you have a vacant property you will only see the cost for the construction debt and the maintenance.

D Dion-Are you putting money aside for pipes:

Kartevold-Yes

Dion you need to have a spreadsheet as to where the money went

Zander-We can provide that.

G Cullinan-I want to see Glendive grow, and the improvements are a long time coming, but it is getting to where we can’t afford it any more. I don’t want people to move away because they are getting taxed out of Glendive. I want to retire here. Can’t we get some grants.

Zander-We do have a grant writer and we did get $15,000 that we are putting into a PR for upgrading the pipes. We are currently in or budget year and you’re right where does it end, but
coming the private sector and sitting in a govt. position now for awhile, everybody expects services, they expect their road to look like the audoban, but nobody wants to pay for it. We understand that. We hate taxes, but have to get that balance of what they will expect and what they will pay for. The crime is in Eastern Montana the tax base is not keeping up with the costs of the world. We would like to put some outlay costs in our budget to provide the services. We barely have enough to keep up with the fixed costs. How do you do that? You cut staff, you cut services. It’s a spiral. We are trying to bring in business to build up the tax base. Do we get Keystone, the windmills? We’re working on it.

R Morris-Maintenance is on unit? Define what a unit is. When would you end up with more than one unit?

Zander-Duplex – 2 units, 4-plex 4 units,
Kartevold-Restaurant 3 units, something like that

Zander-If you’re not on a meter, we use a standard by the Rural Water Association and I think Gary is right 3 rooms is one unit. They have a calculation.

Cullinan-I think we can afford the construction and maintenance but the scary part is the $575/yr operations never goes away and it fluctuates

?-It will go up.

Zander-Hopefully if we can replace some of our pipes it will mean less is taken across the river and help. Over time everything goes up.

?-If our sewer line outside the alley busts, the district is going to pay for it?

Kartevold/Zander-Yes it comes out of maintenance.

? Sprankle?-A parcel with no building on it will be considered a parcel and a unit?

Kartevold yes

Sprankle-So they will pay once for construction and maintenance per year per maintenance. The operations will be billed monthly/quarterly $48 per unit per month

Zander-If you’re connected.

Bilyeu-The resolution of intention will lay this out. The operation fee is not on there, they are still working with the city on that, but they didn’t want to give you the impression that the construction and maintenance was all there was, so they did the handout to give you the best estimate that they could.

Kartevold-Forrest, do we need a decision from Gustafson tonight?

Sanderson-I will let him speak for himself, while I explain to Mr. Morris his situation.

Gustafson-I’m in a quandary. Could I meet with you later?

Kartevold-We need a decision tonight.

Gustafson-We’ll have to be in.

Kartevold-It’s a bad way to do it, I hate to have to put you on the spot.

Lohse-Town Pump. Is that one parcel, One unit.

Kartevold-One parcel, but I’m not sure how many units, or did they put a meter in? Yes they put a meter in.
Lohse-So is the Alliance Church in? is there a map?
Kartevold-yes there is a map.
Lohse-So is the golf course in?
Kartevold-No.
Lohse-Is anyone on that side in.
Zander-Yes some of them are connected and are in.
Kartevold-I think it goes up as far as Krugers.
Lohse-If they build a new school out there. Will they have to pay into the district?
Zander-They would be required to pay, but they wouldn’t be required to pay back, because they are already in the district.
Lohse-Would that be one parcel, one unit?
Kartevold-It would be one parcel, but the units would be more, like based on occupancy, not sure how many units in a school.

Sanderson-I just finished visiting with the Morris’s. They are benefited giving the definition of benefited. They will need to remain in the district. I did want to speak to one comment, aggregation. When we read through the protests. We read each and every one of the protest letters. Through that process, Shirley pointed out the Brody’s did file a protest and they were removed from the district and so that protest did not count. Kofflers had one in and one out. We counted one protest. We started with 1,039 benefited properties, we had aggregations file by the Morris’s bringing 2 lots to 1; Moores had 4 properties, 2 into 1, so that is 3; Clumps in the city 36 aggregated to 2, a reduction of 34, Holas (Glendive Auto) had 15, finished with 8 a reduction of 7; Frank Crisafulli 10 parcels to 2 for a reduction of 8. Net after aggregation is 988. That is how the numbers were arrived at for bond counsel. We checked every name against the master list each and every parcel. We appreciate each and every one of you taking your time to come and offer your comments. That is how the process works. It is valuable for the district.

? Brody’s have property on both sides of the interstate?
Sanderson-Yes, because they have property on both sides of the interstate it was looked at. It is one tract of record. The vast majority of the parcel was on the other side of interstate and therefore the entire parcel was excluded.

?-Will the exclusions raise everyone else’s taxes?
Sanderson-The 144 factors in the reduction. It takes into account the aggregation.

Resolution #2019-20 Creating Rural Special Improvement and Maintenance District No. 48 for the purpose of refinancing DNRC loan number SRF-18-414 which provided for the payment of a portion of the design and construction costs for wastewater improvements including collection pipes, a lift station, and related wastewater collection infrastructure, and providing for maintenance of such improvements, financing the costs thereof and incidental costs through the issuance of rural special improvement district bonds. Upon hearing of protests, the commissioners agreed they have addressed the concerns in as best manner as possible. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2019-20. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution #2019-21 Declaring it to be the intention of the county to levy special assessments to repay a special assessment bond to be issued for the purpose of refinancing DNRC loan number SRF-18-414 which provided for the payment of a portion of the design and construction costs for wastewater improvements including collection pipes, a lift station, and related wastewater collection infrastructure, and providing for maintenance of such
improvements, calling or publication of notice of passage of this resolution and establishing a protest period and setting a public hearing. The commissioners noted this would be the next step in the process for the assessment to the newly created RSID #48. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2019-21. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Montana State Revolving Fund Program Loan Disbursement Report - A motion was made to approve a loan disbursement for Special Improvement District RSID #48 for $1,962,760. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-22 Year end budget transfers-Commissioner Kartevold read the resolution regarding year end line item transfers stating the attached schedule A was available for anyone who likes a copy. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2019-22 and the year end line item transfers. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-23 Policy on Art on Dawson County Public Lands-The commissioners stated they were approached by Dawson County Arts Unlimited Group about appointing a panel to review applications for art wishing to be placed on Dawson County public lands. They city recently adopted a policy and appointing The Gallery public arts committee as that panel and this resolution was similar in nature. The policy and application are available. A motion was made to adopt resolution 2019-23 and a policy and application process for arts wishing to be placed on Dawson County public lands.

Health Agreements and Contracts- Timber Dempewolf was present noting these were renewals of existing contracts.
- **Fallon County**-Fallon County agrees to provide family planning services in accordance with Section I and Title X Program requirements, Dawson County will provide administration services for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. A motion was made to approve the contract with Fallon county.
- **Family Planning Agreement-Fallon Medical Complex**-Fallon clinic agrees to provide physician coverage and all provisions as outlined in section II for Baker Satellite for Dawson County family planning effective July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.
- **Richland County**-Richland County agrees to provide family planning services in accordance Section I and with Title X Program requirements, Dawson County will provide administration services for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
- **Master Contract Public Health Emergency Preparedness**-Contract between Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services and Dawson County to upgrade and enhance local public health through planning, assessment and development preparedness and response activities. Task Order 20-07-6-11-016-0 for period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2026.
- **Dawson County Health Department Contract for School Health Services Bloomfield School**-The Dawson County Health Department will provide school nursing services to the Bloomfield School for $545.40 and provide at least four visits during the school year.
- **Dawson County Health Department Contract for School Health Services Deer Creek School**-The Dawson County Health Department will provide school nursing services to the Deer Creek School for $877.36 and provide at least eight visits during the school year. A motion was made to approve Health Department contracts. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**June Claims**- All claims against the County were audited and approved for the month of June 2019. This list contains all claims against the County including payroll withholdings, deductions and contribution warrants. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.
98266 6/28/2019 C & B OPERATIONS, LLC $151.54 Printed
98267 6/28/2019 RANGER REVIEW $1,354.32 Printed
98268 6/28/2019 STENS SPECIALTY BRANDS, LLC $176.10 Printed
98269 6/28/2019 STOCKMAN BANK $40,919.43 Printed
98270 6/28/2019 U.S. BANK TRUST-SPA LOCKBOX CM#695 $25,425.00 Printed
98272 6/30/2019 2M COMPANY $659.88 Printed
98273 6/30/2019 ADVANCED CHEMICAL SOLUTIONS $336.03 Printed
98274 6/30/2019 AHLEHRS & ASSOCIATES $6,250.00 Printed
98275 6/30/2019 ALBERTSONS $50.00 Printed
98276 6/30/2019 ALLISON, DAVID $62.58 Printed
98277 6/30/2019 AMAZON $2,904.98 Printed
98278 6/30/2019 AMERICAN FORD $193.97 Printed
98279 6/30/2019 AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC. $135.84 Printed
98280 6/30/2019 AMERIPRIDE LINEN & APPAREL SERVICES $176.00 Printed
98281 6/30/2019 AUTO VALUE PARTS STORES $3,437.90 Printed
98282 6/30/2019 BADLADN TRUCK SALES $150.00 Printed
98283 6/30/2019 BALCO UNIFORM $1,547.54 Printed
98284 6/30/2019 BARCODES, INC., LLC. $179.52 Printed
98285 6/30/2019 BDE RECREATION VEHICLE SERVICE $200.00 Printed
98286 6/30/2019 BERG TIRE $5,813.83 Printed
98287 6/30/2019 BERRY, BRENDA $65.54 Printed
98288 6/30/2019 BIG SKY HARDWARE $897.11 Printed
98289 6/30/2019 BLUE CROSS MEDICARE ADVANTAGE $887.20 Printed
98290 6/30/2019 BOB BARKER COMPANY INC $3,343.68 Printed
98291 6/30/2019 BORDER STEEL & RECYCLING $15,360.32 Printed
98292 6/30/2019 BOSS OFFICE & COMPUTER PRODUCTS, INC. $12,006.70 Printed
98293 6/30/2019 BOYSSUN, CHELISE $144.08 Printed
98294 6/30/2019 BROAD REACH $273.06 Printed
98295 6/30/2019 BROWN, NADINE $50.00 Printed
98296 6/30/2019 BUILDERS FIRST SOURCE $355.92 Printed
98297 6/30/2019 BUSINESS CARD $344.19 Printed
98298 6/30/2019 CANEN, ROSS $105.96 Printed
98299 6/30/2019 CBM FOOD SERVICE $33,313.45 Printed
98300 6/30/2019 CCCS, INC. $105.00 Printed
98301 6/30/2019 CENTER FOR DISEASE DETECTION $553.60 Printed
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98303 6/30/2019 CHASE, MARY $149.88 Printed
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Correspondence/Information:

- DEQ public notice of Sand and Gravel Operations that discharge to state surface waters permit MTG490000 for renewal for a five year cycle, public community received until close of business on August 29, 2019.
- Letters of appointment to Interdisciplinary Child Information and School Team members: Josi Wetz, Brett Irigoin, Jayne Mitchell, and Bryan Bennett, were sent to entities and schools that could have authorized a designee for forming a team by the commission.
- Treasurer’s cash report for the quarter ended June 30, 2019.
- Notice of violation to Amy Gorder in Highland Park Subdivision regarding setbacks for a shed.
- Letter of approval for State Revolving Fund Loan Program in Lieu of Commitment Agreement.
- A letter of confirmation from DNRC notifying the county of their approval for the State revolving fund loan program in lieu of commitment agreement approving the loan of $1,962,760 for 18 years at 2.5% annum on wastewater project. Projected closing date of August 28, 2019. Notice from DPHHS CSED that they were the wrong division of DPHHS to appoint someone to the school safety team.
- Notice of correction to treasurer cash report for quarter ending June 30, 2019.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

DATED this 6th day of August 2019.

_______________________________________
Gary Kartevold, Chairman

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Dennis Zander, Member

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Joe Sharbono, Member

ATTEST: ______________________
Shirley A. Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder
August 20, 2019

Commissioner Kartevold opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m., with Gary Kartevold, Dennis Zander, and Joe Sharbono present. Also present were Amy Gorder, Chad Knudsen, Ranger Review Reporter and Shirley Kreiman Clerk & Recorder.

Prior Meeting Minutes:
The clerk and recorder asked to table the minutes from August 6th as she was out of town last week and the draft was not yet completed. The minutes were tabled.

Items to be added to the agenda:
A motion was made to add the following items:
- Under Administrative Items
  - Transfer of Funds – Junk Vehicle
  - Bell Street Bridge Appointments
- Under Correspondence:
  - US Dept of Interior
  - Glendive Police Department
The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Previously Approved Administrative Items:
**Resignations:** Eriq Hernandez – DCCF Corrections Officer – resignation 8-13-19; McKenzie Gross – Seasonal Road Laborer – resignation 8-5-19; Antonious Mikulski – DCCF Corrections Officer – resignation 8-24-19

**New Hires:** Evelyn Bender, Sr. Center 8-16-19

**Master Contract-Public Health Emergency Preparedness:** A renewal contract was approved on August 7, 2019 with DPHHS for Master Public Health Emergency Preparedness for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

**Nationwide Guaranteed Minimum Interest Rate change form and Amendment**-Approved by commissioners on 8-14-2019

**Board Appointments:**
- Dawson County Rural Fire District:
  - Matt Litwiller, Bloomfield area
  - Glenn Quinell
  - Tom Eaton, Lindsay area
  - Kevin Pena
  - Brad Sharbono
  - Butch Raisl, Richey area
  - Mandy Hoffman
- Bell Street Bridge Committee:
  - Denny Malone
  - Brita Ryan
  - Kathleen Linder
  - Amanda Christians
  - Julie Pastones
  - Cynthia Person
  - Katy Peterson
  - Bobbie Hansen (President)

**Transfer of Funds**-The commissioners approved a transfer of $4014.40 from the Junk Vehicle Capital Improvement Fund to the Junk Vehicle Fund #2830 as of June 30, 2019.

**Travel Requests:**
- Timber Dempewolf, Laureen Murphree, and Lindsay Sadorf to attend Montana Public Health Executive Board Meeting and 1 day conference in Bozeman September 15-17, 2019

**Old Business:**
Board appointments needed: HP Irrigation Board, Board of Appeals

New Business:

Amy Gorder-Highland Park Zoning-Amy Gorder wanted to discuss the correspondence and notices she received in regards to a shed on her property. She received a large doghouse on April 4th. On April 17th she received a notice from the county via non-certified mail that it needed to be moved. She contacted the commissioners and said she would get it moved. On July 23rd it was moved. She received a notice dated July 28th by certified mail that it needed to be moved. On July 30th she picked it up and signed for it. She was gone on July 11th and she came home on July 13th both doors of her shed was open and someone had been there. She can’t prove it but she believes she knows who it was. She has read through past minutes of the Zoning commission and all violations brought forth were on 3rd Street and easily seen by one person. Some other residents were notified by a knock on the door, why was she sent a violation letter. Some get notices of a violation of site line issues, but not others. She wants to question the consistency of the enforcement of the zoning. Commissioner Kartevold stated they would respond at a later meeting.

Cottonwood Springs Subdivision Final Plat-A preliminary plat was issued to Francis Peterson on August 3, 2016 subject to 8 conditions. The plat proposes to complete the subdivision process to create four (4) tracts of record in a portion of the NE1/4 NW1/4 Section 34, Township 16 North, Range 55Ea. The commissioners reviewed the staff report submitted by County planner Forrest Sanderson. The 8 conditions have been met. The staff recommended approval of the final plat. A motion was made to adopt the staff report MNR-FP-19-01 as findings of fact and that the Final Plat for the Cottonwood Springs Minor Subdivision be approved. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Encroachment Permits-Mid Rivers Communications submitted an encroachment permit for Deer Creek Estates Subdivision, Road 564. (Bore Crossing and parallel line) The commissioners reviewed the permit. A motion was made to approve the permit. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence/Information:

- DPHHS Notice of estimated earmarked alcohol tax revenue $15,201
- Public Hearing on protests, levy special assessment WG Sewer RSID #48, August 26, 2019 5:30 pm Courthouse Community Room
- Knute and Shelley Gustafson on Benefited Property Determination RSID 48, Property assessment #RWG3198, 5.0 acres COS #557, NW1/4 Section 34, Township 16 North, Range 55 East, Dawson County, Montana
- Carol Koppenstein- copy of letter sent to Judge Cybulski
- Pixine Zieske thank you card addressed to Dawson County Employees
- Surety Bond received from Richard Schwartz Inc in regard to Roof Repair on the Dawson County Courthouse
- Letter regarding Surety Bond received from Kuehn Trenching LLC stating Developers Surety and Indemnity Co is replaced by The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
- Notice from the Glendive Police Department appointing Lt. William Klunder to the Interdisciplinary Child Information and School Safety Team
- Notice from the US Department of Interior of a proposed action of leasing 20 parcels of federal minerals in the Miles City and North Dakota field offices.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

DATED this 20th day of August 2019.

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Gary Kartevold, Chairman

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Dennis Zander, Member

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Joe Sharbuno, Member

ATTEST: __________________________________
Shirley A. Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder
August 26, 2019

Department Head-Budget Hearings: Present, Gary Kartevold, Dennis Zander, Joe Sharbono and Shirley Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder

8:15 Group Health Insurance-Cindy Gregory-Discussed the fact that that with budget restraints the county budgeted for going to the $2,000 deductible plan

8:45 Human Resources-Barb Roehl-Discussed two line items that were cut, supplies and travel

9:15 Treasurer-The treasurer stated that she does need to buy tags this year from the Dog control Fund and will need at least $150. Also noted that her part time person is ¾ time not half time and will need a correction on the wage line.

9:45 Extension-Jaycee Searer-No changes

10:30 Cemetery-No changes

11:00 Sanitarian/Junk Vehicle-Kevin Pena-No changes. Some discussion on junk vehicle and loan that needed to be paid paid. Shirley stated that she included the payback amount on the expenses and since the junk vehicle program said they showed more cash she also included it as revenue. They will need to discuss the differences with her when she comes in September

1:15 DES/Safety-Mary Jo Gehnert-No changes. She noted that cuts to her budget will mean less revenue coming from the state which reimburses 50%

1:45 Airport-Craig Hostetter-Mill overlay on alleys and taxiways discussed. It was noted that Big Timber was giving their FAA funding to the Glendive Airport, but at some point it Glendive would need to pay it back. The design portion of a new terminal is close to being finished. LED lights for the ramp are needed and possibly the beacon.

2:15 Sheriff/County Jail-Katie Mills-Now that an error was corrected in the utility split, the utility line item could decrease to $6,200. It was requested to move the difference to Overtime and transportation. Katie mentioned the 9-1-1 funding for some headsets. Shirley stated that she had budgeted both and expense and revenue for it. Katie will see if that is how the city wants to handle it, since they do the 9-1-1 funds. It was discussed that the vehicle outlay request was removed due to budget constraints. A county auction is scheduled for October 11th. Katie will see if she can get done what she needs to for getting firearms on the sale.

3:00 Prison-Tom Green-Tom brought up the clothing allowance for nurses and maintenance staff. The commissioners felt the amount in the line item was sufficient and to watch it closely. Tom also mentioned that they’ve included the computer lease in the budget as they have a number of windows 7 computers that need replaced.

3:30 Weed/Mosquito-Heath Craig-There was discussion about more mosquito spray needed. This fund is a voted levy with a capped dollar amount. They discussed doing a resolution to be put on the primary ballot next June to change to mills vs. dollars. Heath commented that his pickup is wearing out. He would like to save the weed reservation grant dollars normally spent on a four wheeler for a couple of years to use for a new crew truck.

4:00 County Planning & Flood Plain-No one present, No changes
Commissioner Kartevold opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m., with Gary Kartevold, Dennis Zander, and Joe Sharbano present. Also present were Rich Hyland, Cheryl Hyland, Connie Carver, Bob Baker, Jamie Crisafulli, Ranger Review Reporter and Shirley Kreiman Clerk & Recorder.

Prior Meeting Minutes:
A motion was made to approve minutes from August 6th and August 20th. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Public Hearing:
Commissioner Kartevold opened the public hearing to consider protests and objections to the final adoption of the resolution to levy special assessments of the Rural Special Improvement District #48 (WG Sewer) proposed Improvement and Maintenance Special Assessments. He stated that one written protest was received. He read the written protest. He opened the floor to oral protests and objections.

This is a summation of comments made, not a verbatim.

Cheryl Hyland-(it was noted she also submitted the one written protest) We live on a fixed income and we can’t afford this. The notice says there will be a 3% increase each year. This is in addition to all of the taxes. We can’t afford this. Do you want us all to move out of Glendive?

Rich Hyland – We live on $400 a month. We can’t afford this. There are dirt roads all around us. I don’t know where you think we’ll get the money to pay for this in addition to all the other taxes and insurance. We’re here because we can’t afford this. My property value is going in the toilet. It is a dead city.

Bob Baker-715 W. Wren. I own 2 lots. I pay taxes. My son Ben and I, it is in his name, and he couldn’t be here, but I pay the taxes on it. I’ve been here since the start of thing. I was at the first public meeting and the room was full. I remember Ted Sell made the comment that there won’t be anybody who wants to live in Glendive. I’ve read everything that was published in the Ranger Review. The Crisafulli land that is behind madhatters in the flood plain. Mr. Zander, you said you can build a house on stilts. I didn’t appreciate that statement. Maybe that could happen with ocean front property. I’ve been in construction for 47 years and I know a little about that. You also stated that people want services, but they don’t want to pay for them. That was a general statement, but it is hard to swallow. I’ve also gone to public service commission meetings when they raise rates. You have the schools with their bond issue. What is the common person suppose to do? Aren’t there any grants? You’re kicking us out of our homes. I don’t want to pay this.

Connie Carver-Do any of you live in the district.
Response-No
Carver-I have to take it out of my food money. I pay more than people at the grocery store, because I don’t have a cell phone. I have to have a voice for the people on fixed incomes. We thought it was suppose to be all included in the last one. How long of a loan is this? You have the schools with their bond issue. What is the common person suppose to do? Aren’t there any grants? You’re kicking us out of our homes. I don’t want to pay this.

Baker-I read 18 years.
Is this going to change this?

Commissioner Kartevold closed the oral protest period.

Public Hearing:
Commissioner Kartevold stated that he would now open the meeting for comments in regards to proposal to levy 12.25 mills for premium contributions for group benefits according to MCA 2-9-212 and the proposal to levy 1.21 mills to fund 3% increase in employer contributions to Sheriff’s Retirement System according to MCA 15-10-410, 19-7-403, 19-7-404.

Carver-How are we going to pay for this? What is the money that we paid in being used for? We hardly see anything we’ve been paying for. Linden was the only street that got redone. I can show
you a lot of potholes that didn’t get filled. I talked to the contractor and he said he was only doing the ones on the list. It is criminal. It is wrong.

Commissioner Kartevold closed the comment period regarding the SRS permissive levy and permissive levy for premium contributions for group benefits.

**Bond Resolution 2019-25 Bond Resolution Relating to the Rural Improvement District No. 48. $1,962,760 Special Assessment Refunding Bond. (Water Pollution, Control State Revolving Loan Program Series 2019; Authorizing the Issuance and Fixing the Terms and Conditions thereof and Creating Special Funds and Accounts and Pledging Special Assessments and Certain Revenues as Security thereof)**

Commissioner Zander-I would like to address some of the comments made in the public hearing. As a matter of clarification, the old assessments will come off the tax bill. This is a new assessment and the operations assessment will be based on the flow going across the river. This portion will be billed quarterly.

Baker-I have to pay the same as someone with 10 children. That doesn’t seem right.

Zander-There is a base rate. The Montana Rural Water Association puts together a formula for a base rate. We are hoping to have the costs to go down some by replacing some mains. I would also like to address the comment regarding a home built on stilts. The comment was made when we were discussing the Federal FEMA statutes. I agree that it would be impractical to build in the floodplain on stilts, but I was referencing the federal statutes that allow a home to be places in the flood plain if it is built on stilts, so the law does allow for it. Now to address the comment about people want services, but don’t want to pay for them. I was speaking to the group about expectations. Everyone wants paved roads, everyone expects them, but they can’t pay for it. In regards to the terms of the loan. It was originally a 20 year loan. There have been two years of payments and there are 18 years left on the construction loan.

Carver-In the past there was always common courtesy. Now we can’t even help a neighbor out. We tried to assist a neighbor getting a car out and the cops said we couldn’t help them, they needed to get a wrecker. We didn’t get any help at all. My husband spends many hours trying to help people. We don’t see any graders. I see them digging up the streets again and again. It is such an inconvenience, doesn’t anyone oversee this? If you get a paycheck, you should see that it’s done right. The road going to Mulberry needs to be fixed. Why can’t you fix the holes? If you get a paycheck, you should see that it’s done right. The road going to Mulberry needs to be fixed. Why can’t you fix the holes? Our tax dollars are being used and abused. That is wrong. I don’t own any cows I can sell to pay for this.

Zander-I’d also like to address the comment about the School bond. That is an issue for the School Board, that is not a county issue.

Commissioner Zander made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-25. Commissioner Sharbono seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2019-24 RESOLUTION OF DAWSON COUNTY, MONTANA LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO PAY FOR THE REFINANCING OF DNRC LOAN NUMBER SRF-18-414 WHICH PROVIDED FOR THE PAYMENT OF A PORTION OF THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING COLLECTION PIPES, A LIFT STATION, AND RELATED WASTEWATER COLLECTION INFRASTRUCTURE IN ORDER TO AQUIRE THE SAME, FINANCING THE COSTS THEREOF AND INCIDENTAL COSTS, AND PROVIDING FOR MAINTENANCE OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS**

It was noted this resolution would set the amount to levy of $144 per parcel for construction, $67 for maintenance on the WG Sewer District.

Commissioner Sharbono made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-24. Commissioner Zander seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2019-26 RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2018-35 FOR THE ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF THE COUNTY’S $815,000 AMENDED RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #47 BOND (RIVER ROAD IRRIGATION PIPELINE DISTRICT) BOND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO PAY FOR THE COSTS OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS FOR A PIPELINE SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS,**
The commissioners commented that this resolution was in regards to the issuance of bonds for the River Road RSID #47. A motion was made to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-27 Resolution of intent to create a maintenance fund for RSID #47 River Road Irrigation Pipeline District and resolution of intent to levy special assessments to repay the bond to be levied annually against each parcel in the district in an equal amount per benefitted contiguous parcels and an annual maintenance assessment in addition to the improvement special assessment.-The commissioners read the minutes submitted from the River Road RSID Board members asking for the creation of a maintenance fund and the assessment of it to be $100 per riser. It was noted that this resolution was not yet drafted. A motion was made to order the drafting of the resolution to create a maintenance fund for RSID #47 River Road Irrigation Pipeline District and the intent to levy special assessments to repay the bond and an annual maintenance assessment, as well as approval of the resolution once drafted in accordance with the terms. (Resolution #2019-27). The notice of passage shall then be published and mailed to landowners in the district. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Baker-So is the West Glendive Sewer a done deal now?
Response-Yes.
Carver-I don’t understand the protest, was mine counted?
Response-you were counted with the last protest period in the 87 protests received. We did not receive 40% protests and the district was formed. This protest was for levying the assessments and we addressed the comments made.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15.

DATED this 26th day of August 2019.

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Gary Kartevold, Chairman

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Dennis Zander, Member

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Joe Sharbono, Member

ATTEST: ________________________________
Shirley A. Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder
August 27, 2019

**Department Head-Budget Hearings:** Present, Gary Kartevold, Dennis Zander, Joe Sharbono and Shirley Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder (Shirley until 11 am back in at 4pm)

8:15 *Road/Bridge*-John Schrieber and Michael Bacon-John stated he knew they would already be over in office supplies and requested an increase. It was increased from $4,000 to $6,000. Contracted Service was reduced by $2,000. Various road projects were also discussed as well as with no outlay budget, more maintenance budget will be needed for repairs.

8:45 *Health Department*-Timber Dempewolf. Timber reviewed account number changes on the grants with Shirley to get the right funding year with the amounts. PHEP, Immunization and TNT grant years should be 20 rather than 19. TNT Expedited add $2,236.53 to carryover line.

9:15 *Library*-Dawn Kingstad, Patti Raisl, Steven Kaul-Dawn was wondering if she had the green light to fill the events coordinator position since the position was in the budget. Commissioner Zander reviewed the fact that the county is looking at every open position and trying to hold off filling it unless it is deemed essential. The concern is that the budget this year has no capital outlay and no cost of living raise and we are levying the max we can and so unless something changes, next year does not look any better, so they don’t want to hire someone, only to lay them off next year. There was some discussion about reducing the hours. The Library Board agreed to meet and discuss this further.

9:45 *Superintendent of Schools*-Jayne Mitchell. Jayne stated that her volunteer help to clean the store room was no longer available. She would like some help from other county staff to help sort it out. She asked about the $1,000 that was in the budget for spelling bee. Shirley told her it was put in as an expense as well as $1,000 in revenue contribution meaning that $1,000 needed to be contributed towards the spelling bee in order to spend it. She said the Masons donation $900 last year and she hadn’t spent it. There may not be a spelling bee this year. If it wasn’t held she may use it as prize money for the science fair. Shirley knew that money was spent for the spelling bee last year and assumed that was the Masons money. She said if Jayne did not spend it on the spelling bee or prizes this year to let her know as it was in the general fund and we could move it to a separate fund, so it would be used as designated for.

10:30 *Courthouse Maintenance*-Tommy Knoll-There was discussion about Tommy going to boiler training and it was apt to cost more than was allotted. Travel was increased to $1,000. There was also some discussion about the generator turning on in the last power outage, but not engaging the system. Tommy will contact the electrician so he can learn what needs to be done.

11:00 *Clerk & Recorder/Elections*-No changes, Shirley reviewed that she spoke to the Roosevelt Clerk & Recorder at convention and they have discussed getting a couple of her used machines for Richey and a backup at the EPEC, but was not given a dollar amount that she would want for them. She had budgeted $1,600.

11:30 *Richey Museum*-Wanda Zuroff and Agnes Sullivan-No changes. They discussed windows needing replacing and siding and cement projects needing done.

1:45 *Sr. Citizen Center*-Patty Atwell and Deanna Baker-They asked if they could use the coverlet funding to purchase some furniture. There was an error on the travel. The amount should be $500, not $5000. There was a line item for wages on meals on wheels. That would be the wages for Sue. There was a question on revenue and Patty is going to check her sheets from Action and get with Shirley later on it.

2:15 *Commissioners*-All present-No changes.

3:00 *Rural Fire District*-Kevin Pena-The board has just been appointed and is not officially organized yet. The fire district will set their own budget much like WG Fire District does. Shirley had checked int what the funds left in the Rural Fire Fund could be used for. The County Attorney did not feel they could be transferred to the Rural Fire District, but could be used for equipment used by the Rural Fire District. Some of the rural fire trucks are old and a fire tender is most needed.

3:30 *Urban Transportation District*-Leslie Hunter-No changes. A transfer of $75,000 from the Urban Transportation District to the Capital Improvement Fund was budgeted for.

4:00 *District Court*-Tammy Helmuth-No changes but there are a lot of unknowns this year as they have at least 6 jury trials in the next two months.
August 28, 2019

Department Head-Budget Hearings: Present, Gary Kartevold, Dennis Zander, Joe Sharbono and Shirley Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder

8:45 Public Works-Doug Keeever-The commissioners told Doug that Randy Hanson approached them about the Highland Park Water Assc and the fact that Warren Broeder wants to retire from overseeing this. They have been asked to have WG Public Works oversee it. Doug stated that he doesn’t want added responsibility without getting paid extra for it. The commissioners stated that they know the Assn pays the county $1200 for what he does do for them. Doug stated that money goes into the sewer fund as most of the wages are paid from there. The commissioners noted that if they don’t find someone to do it, it is going to come back to us anyway. The county would get paid more. Doug was concerned as he wouldn’t get any more pay. Doug didn’t feel there was enough in the wage line item for Parks. Shirley checked into it and said there was no amount allowed for overtime on the payroll spreadsheet. She will adjust that line as well as other WG public works funds so that overtime is included. Doug stated that since the shelter at Hollecker was damaged in the storm this summer, he would like to use the money in the Endowment fund that was donated for Hollecker use from the breakfast lions in order to fix it. The commissioners agreed.

9:15 Coroner-Tyler Silha-Schools and Dues were discussed and agreed it should be increased to $750 for the deputy to attend the annual training that is required. Travel is now included with professional services.

9:45 Frontier Gateway Museum-Fayette Miller and Patty Atwell-They will need to add some for taxes as their adjoining lot is going to have to pay taxes since they don’t have any displays on it. It also came up that their garbage that is assessed on taxes doesn’t come out of their fund, but is being paid out of another general fund labeled taxes. Shirley agreed it would be best if it was split out to each department so that the county could see a more accurate figure of what the departmental costs are.

10:30 Fair Board-Larry Evans and Wade Nielsen-A recent utility bill was received for a meter that wasn’t working. The commissioners noted that they had reduced the utility budget, but now it appears that the first amount was correct and it will need to go back to $14,000. There was a lot of discussion about hiring a manager. The commissioners noted that they had reduced the budget for the position from full time to half time. They reviewed that budget-wise they were looking at all currently vacant positions to see what was essential. There was also a lot of discussion about the last fair board meeting and the 4-H representation that is unhappy about having an event separate from the carnival, but the fair board’s hands are tied as they cannot find a carnival for an August event.

11:15 River Road Pipeline-Bill LaBree and Bob Jones-The Commissioners notified them that they passed a resolution based on the amount of an estimated amortization from the bank and the board minutes for maintenance. A notice will be going out to residents within the district notifying them and a public hearing will be held on September 11th which was the soonest date they could hold it to comply with regulations. $650.62 was the estimated cost for repaying the bond and $100 for maintenance.

1:15 Justice of Peace- Stacy Nerison-No changes. She included $600 for a monitor that she may need when the court changes their system.

1:45 Bell Street Bridge Committee- Bobbi Hansen-No changes. They discussed looking for a bridge inspector and the upcoming Bridge Day event.

3:00 Marsh Road Dike-Art Gehnert-No Changes-History of flooding was discussed

3:30 County Attorney-Brett Irigoin-No changes, other items of concern were discussed.

4:00 Richey Cemetery- Butch Raisl unable to attend, no changes

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