MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2013

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Holmquist, Commissioner Scott and Krueger, and Clerk Robinson were present.

COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED – LABOR DAY

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on September 3, 2013.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Holmquist, Commissioner Scott and Krueger, and Clerk Robinson were present.

Chairman Holmquist led the Pledg[e of Allegiance.

Chairman Holmquist opened public comment on matters within the Commissions' Jurisdiction, no one present to speak, Chairman Holmquist closed the public comment period.

OPEN RFP: ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR WELDING BAY ADDITION/ ROAD DEPT.

9:00:00 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Public Works Director Dave Prunty, Matt Waatti, Clerk Kile

Responses to requests for proposals (RFP's) were received from the following:

Abel Engineering, Inc.
Montana Creative Architecture & Design
Jackola Engineering
Morrison & Maierle
Waatti Engineering

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to take the request for proposals (RFP’s) under consideration. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS INC. PROPOSAL/ FLATHEAD COUNTY DATA CENTER UPS UPGRADE

9:18:39 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, I. T. Director Vicki Saxby, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve the document for signature/ electrical system upgrade. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACTED SERVICES BUDGET/ I.T.

9:21:01 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, I. T. Director Vicki Saxby, Clerk Kile

Saxby met with the commission and asked for approval to move $7,000 of contracted salary services to hire a temporary person to assist in rolling out CERF systems and upgrading sheriff laptops. She explained staff has spent a considerable amount of time at the 911 Center over the past couple of months, which has put them behind in their work.

The commission unanimously approved the request.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: DONATION AGREEMENT/ PLUM CREEK TO FLATHEAD COUNTY (FOR ASHLEY LAKE FIRE HALL)

9:24:18 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Fire Services Area Manager Lincoln Chute, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Scott made a motion to approve the donation agreement/ Plum Creek to Flathead County for the Ashley Lake Fire Hall. Commissioner Krueger seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013
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DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: DEQ CONTRACT #514003

9:27:12 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve for signature/ DEQ Contract 514003. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: DPHHS CONTRACT #14-07-5-01-072-0

9:28:04 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve for signature/ DPHHS Contract #14-07-5-01-072-0. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: DPHHS CONTRACT #13-07-5-31-027-0 AMENDMENT NO. 2

9:29:09 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Scott made a motion to approve the DPHHS contract as stated. Commissioner Krueger seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD & RESERVE WEEK

9:30:20 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Scott made a motion to approve the national employer support of the guard and reserve week proclamation. Commissioner Krueger seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATION

EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE WEEK

Whereas, National Guard and Reserve forces comprise nearly half of our nation’s military strength, and are essential to America’s national security. Reserve Component forces stand ready to answer the call to serve, whether serving alongside active duty counterparts all across the globe or responding to humanitarian crises at home and abroad; and

Whereas, employers provide critical support to members of the National Guard and Reserve; allowing Citizen Warriors to serve whenever the Nation calls, often foregoing financial gain and making sacrifices in the process; and

Whereas, employer support is stronger than ever, more than 41 years after President Richard Nixon authorized the Secretary of Defense to establish the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR); and

Whereas, our nation is in debt to the Citizen Warriors departing the comforts of home to ensure our freedoms remain intact. Likewise, America pays special tribute to the commitment of dedicated and supportive employers who continue to make service in the Reserve Components possible; and

Now, therefore, we do hereby proclaim September 22 to September 28, 2013 as National Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve week.

Dated September 3, 2013.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By/s/Pamela J. Holmquist
Pamela J. Holmquist, Chairman

By/s/Calvin L. Scott
Calvin L. Scott, Member

By/s/Gary D. Krueger
Gary D. Krueger, Member

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: REQUEST FOR DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY, I.T.

9:23:12 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, I. T. Director Vicki Saxby, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve for signature/ request for declaration of surplus property. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.
CONSIDERATION OF PRINT BID: HEALTH DEPT.

9:31:43 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Clerk Kile

Chairman Holmquist read into record the lowest bid was from Bitterroot Screen Printers for six “Buckle Up” banners for $300.00.

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve the print bid for the Health Department. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: 2014 EMPG GRANT APPLICATION

9:45:43 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Deputy OES Director Cindy Mullaney, Clerk Kile

Mullaney reported the grant is for around $78,000 and covers her salary in the OES program. She noted other costs of the program are used as their 50% match.

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve signature/2014 EMPG grant application. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF LAKESHORE PERMIT EXTENSION: STOKKE, FLP 12-38

9:45:41 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Planner Bailey Minnich, Clerk Kile

Minnich reported the extension is to Lake and Lakeshore Construction Permit FLP 12-38; an application to install a stone faced retaining wall and concrete walkway at 414 Holt Drive on Flathead Lake. The permit was valid for one year and was set to expire on August 21, 2013. An additional one year extension would extend the permit to August 21, 2014.


MONTHLY MEETING W/ TAMMY SKRAMOVSKY, HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE

This meeting was not held.

MONTHLY MEETING W/ DAVE PRUNTY, ROAD DEPT.

11:00:00 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Public Works Director Dave Prunty, Clerk Kile

Prunty reviewed the following monthly statistics for the Road and Bridge Department.

Operations
- The log jam upstream from the bridge on Highway 35 has been removed. We completed an “after-the action 124” permit with Mark Deleray at FWP. He also helped in getting the needed approvals from DEQ to burn the logs this fall and place ashes on the island just below where the logs are stored.
- Salt procurement utilizing MDT bid again. Salt deliveries have started.

Dust Cost Share Program
- MT Dust Control has completed their work.
- RAC informed us that they had $8,313 that they wanted to apply to Ashley Lake Road on the west side. With our match that covered right at three miles. The work was completed on or about August 20.
- That distance puts the program over the 50 mile mark for this year, which is our largest total for the program since its inception.

Overlay Program
- Asphalt overlay work began on June 17.
- The roads completed to date are attached to this outline
- There has been 10.2 miles of roads overlaid so far.
- This includes work on the North Fork Road in the home bottom flats area where we did the “thin lift overlay” instead of blade patching. We started doing this a few years ago and believe we are more effectively using the amount of asphalt as compared to spreading with a grader. We have the screed operator do his best to “break” rock on the outer edge of the mat and then just get our crown back in the centerline of the road.
- This work will continue through the first half of September and then we should be done for the season.

Chip Sealing Program
- Chip sealing started on July 29 and was completed on August 8.
- List of roads completed is attached.
- 35.64 miles were chipped at an average cost of $18,190.17.
- Also included is a summary of the last five years of chip sealing operations for your information.

Gravel Crushing Program
- LHC, Inc. will move into the Four Corners pit to start crushing the first week of September.
- USFW is working to secure emergency funding for purchase and crushing of approximately 6,200 cy of two or three inch minus pit-run for Pleasant Valley Road within the Lost Trail National Wildlife Refuge. Total funding from them is approximately $52,000 for pit royalty and crushing. We will haul and place the material on 1.6 miles of road close to the refuge headquarters. We hope to complete this work before the end of the construction season.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2013

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Holmquist, Commissioner Scott and Krueger, and Clerk Robinson were present.

Chairman Holmquist led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Holmquist opened public comment on matters within the Commissions’ Jurisdiction, no one present to speak, Chairman Holmquist closed the public comment period.
OPEN BIDS: VEHICLES/ SHERIFF’S OFFICE

9:30:00 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Sheriff Chuck Curry, Undersheriff Dave Leib, Tadd McDonald, Clerk Kile

Bids received with bid bond (cashier’s check) enclosed from:

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Commissioner Scott made a motion to take the bids under consideration. Commissioner Krueger seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENTS FOR SIGNATURE: FIRE SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS

9:37:35 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Fire Services Area Manager Lincoln Chute, H. R. Director Tammy Skramovsky, Clerk Kile

Skramovsky explained the request is to pay approximately 16 fire personnel that responded to an island fire on Kalispell back in May 2013. She noted in their new hire packet there was an employment contract for services that stemmed out of a few different contracts; Cooperative Wildfire Agreement from 2011-2015 and the wages were derived from a 2012 DNRC pay plan and also a Fire Service Area Assistance Contract between different fire districts.

Chute explained the situation came about because the lands are not in any fire district or not under dual jurisdiction with the Forest Service or DNRC. With all the mutual aid agreements within the state, it is the counties role and responsibility to protect the area. He further explained responsibilities.

General discussion ensued relative to property ownership and dual jurisdiction.

Chute pointed out that particular island is owned by the State of Montana. He stated the only reason they chose not to let it burn is because of the potential of the fire spreading onto private property with the wind blowing ashes into a heavy brush area.

After considerable discussion, Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve documents for signature/ Fire Service employment agreements. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Scott and Krueger. Opposed – Holmquist. Motion carried by quorum.

DOCUMENTS FOR SIGNATURE: MARCIA SHEFFELS, SUPT. OF SCHOOLS/ FY13-14 SCHOOL BUDGETS

9:51:16 AM
Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Superintendent of Schools Marcia Sheffels, Finance Technician Cheryl Morgan, Clerk Kile

Sheffels presented FY13-14 Flathead County school budgets to the commission for approval. She read the following memo submitted with the school budgets.

For your information and comfort with what you are asked to sign, my financial technician, Cheryl Morgan, has a checklist she uses to review each budget. Her work was challenging this year with guiding many of the school business managers and clerks through the 2013 legislative changes which had been overlooked. The method outlined by M.C.A. and the checks and balances integral to it, assures you, as Commissioners, that when these budgets are presented for your signature, all school finance laws and budgeting procedures have been followed and unintentional mistakes and/or omissions have been remedied. Thus, our office supports you in continuing efforts to provide good stewardship of taxpayers’ money while supporting education in Flathead County.

Finance Technician Cheryl Morgan noted overall the taxable value increased approximately 1.03 percent, and in comparison to last year’s budgets, some have gone up and a few have gone down.

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to approve documents for signature/ FY13-14 school budgets. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2013
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CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION:
SECTION I, SUPPORT OF HIGHWAY 93 ALTERNATE ROUTE
(BYPASS); SECTION II, SUPPORT MARCH 12, 2013 TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES RECOMMENDATION

9:58:06 AM Present: Chairman Pamela J. Holmquist, Commissioner Calvin L. Scott, Commissioner Gary D. Krueger, Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Fire Services Area Manager Lincoln Chute, Clerk Kile Commission Scott made a motion to approve Resolution 2368. Commissioner Krueger seconded the motion. Aye - Holmquist, Scott and Krueger. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2368
A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING SUPPORT OF THE HIGHWAY 93 ALTERNATE ROUTE (BYPASS) AS THE NUMBER ONE FEDERAL AND STATE HIGHWAY PROJECT IN KALISPELL AREA AND FURTHER ASKING THE MONTANA HIGHWAY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TO ACCEPT FOUR MILE DRIVE AS THE NEXT KALISPELL URBAN HIGHWAY PROJECT

WHEREAS, in 1994 the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for US Highway 93 – Somers to Whitefish West recommended the construction of the Kalispell Bypass as part of the regional improvements to US Highway 93; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 the southern half of the Bypass was completed with Federal Stimulus monies at a cost of $22.6 million; and

WHEREAS, all but three parcels of land on the north half of the Bypass route have been purchased by MDT and these three parcels are set to close by the end of the year; and

WHEREAS, all federal, state and local permitting and environmental clearances are in place for construction, final engineering and design are complete or nearly complete for all remaining phases; and

WHEREAS, Kalispell is the only major city in Montana not served by an Interstate Highway which serves in other communities as a significant traffic route and safety valve for moving traffic across their communities; and

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WHEREAS, a complete US Highway 93 Bypass has been the Kalispell Area number one priority for the Kalispell Area for 10 years and the construction of only one half of the Bypass project fails to solve the negative traffic issues facing the City; and

WHEREAS, the Four Mile Drive and the future intersection with the US 93 Bypass should be approved as the next Kalispell area urban highway project as it will be necessary to ameliorate the hazardous traffic congestion experienced in that area of urban Kalispell that is triggered by the highly successful Kidsports Athletic Complex, the expanding Flathead Valley Community College and the vigorous commercial center that has developed at the north end of Kalispell adjacent to US Highway 93 North; and

WHEREAS, it is both prudent and cost effective to develop Four Mile Drive either now before the Bypass is constructed or in concert with the Bypass so that future traffic is not disrupted and tax dollars are not wasted in redesign or demolition work to retrofit future construction;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FLATHEAD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. Flathead County supports the US Highway 93 Bypass project in its entirety as the number one federal and state funded highway project in the Kalispell Area and encourages MDT to give it all due support and expedite funding to bring the remaining northern portion of this project to construction and completion.

SECTION II. Flathead County supports the March 12, 2013, recommendation of the TAC and encourages MDT to nominate Four Mile Drive as the next urban aid highway project in Kalispell.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of September, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By/s/Pamela J. Holmquist
Pamela J. Holmquist, Chairman

By/s/Calvin L. Scott
Calvin L. Scott, Member

By/s/Gary D. Krueger
Gary Krueger, Member

ATTEST:
Pamela Robinson, Clerk

By/s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy