

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 2, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Boards and Committees that the Commissioners will attend in 2019 are as follows:

<u>Commissioner Cox</u>	<u>Commissioner Brooker</u>	<u>Commissioner Magera</u>
Avista Management Committee	Child Development Center Board of Directors, Chair	SC Weed District SC Fair Commission
Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Corporation, Board of Directors	Governors Board of County Printing	Area Agency on Aging Board Area VI, Chair
SC Board of Health	MACo Natural Resources/Public Lands	Community Action Partnership SC Transportation Task Force
SC Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District	MACo Litigation Fund Committee MACo Resolutions & Legislative	SC Community Housing Organization SC Council on Aging SC Council on Aging Financial Committee
MACo Board of Directors	SC Board of Health	
SC DUI Task Force		
SC Aquatic Invasive Plants Task Force	SC Community Development Corporation, Board of Directors	SC Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District
	SC Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District	<u>Boards Attended:</u> Sanders County (SC) 911 Advisory Board
<u>Boards Attended:</u> Resource Advisory Committee	Thompson Falls Community Trails	Eastern SC Hospital Board
Terrestrial Resources Tech Advisory Committee	Western Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Board of Directors	Hot Springs Airport Advisory Board
Thompson Falls Airport Advisory Board	Joint Powers Trust, Board of Directors Paradise Elementary School Preservation Committee	Dixon Refuse Disposal District Hot Springs Refuse Disposal District Sanders/Lolo National Forest Collaborative Group
SC Fair Commission	Thompson Falls Main Street	
Sanders/Lolo National Forest Collaborative Group	<u>Boards Attended:</u> Sanders/Lolo National Forest Collaborative Group Wildhorse Sports Authority Plains/Stohr Airport Advisory Board SC Fair Commission	

The Board met with Troy Hinck, Warden, MT Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) and Kim Annis, Wildlife Management Specialist, MT FWP for the quarterly Wildlife Meeting. Troy Hinck, provided an update on the Mountain Lion population and advised there is a Mountain Lion Management Plan proposal coming soon, statewide. The Sanders County boat check station located in front of the Blackfoot Telephone office in Thompson Falls will be relocated and managed by the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes starting the next boating season. Kim Annis, this year's food supply for bears was abundant. There were no black bear conflicts at all for 2018. Two grizzly bears were lost to mortality in 2018. Only one grizzly bear was captured in this area for study (was the 4th time this bear was re-captured), a 20-year old male. Montana Wilds, a new program with high school students will start in February 2019. The program entails live interaction on bear management with high school classrooms. The Lolo National Forest District Station has an outreach program for bear management. The program has received funding that will help the expansion of outreach to Thompson Falls and Plains, Montana.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 125 between Sanders County and Janet Wolstad Catena. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 2:00 p.m.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: Plains Levy Segment 1 was inspected by the US Army Corps of Engineers. The Flood Damage Reduction Segment/System Inspection Report for the Plains Segment was inspected for a routine Continuing Eligibility Inspection and was provided an overall segment/system rating of: minimally acceptable. Further discussion was held on the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan Update with Tetra Tech Inc.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 2:30 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$355,594.27. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 3, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a Wildland Fire Risk Assessor for new subdivision reviews in Sanders County. The Board has consensus for Ms. Maudrone to publish a RFQ with the Sanders County Ledger.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 6 days without incident. Open County Positions: none at this time. Further discussion was held on a proposal for a part-time employee for Environmental Health.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 11:00 a.m. to attend the Sanders County DUI Task Force Meeting in another room of the Courthouse.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Commissioner Magera as Acting Presiding Office while Commissioner Cox, Presiding Officer was attending another meeting in the Courthouse. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: the Thompson Falls Wastewater Project. Great West Engineering and the City of Thompson Falls are holding a public meeting on January 7, 2019. Mr. Sorenson along with Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff will discuss public health aspects at the meeting. The Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS) Food and Consumer Safety has an expectation that all counties be more aggressive with Tourist Homes and Bed and Breakfasts to identify operations that are circumventing licensing. Mr. Sorenson advised that this winter Sanders County will be more aggressive at identify those establishments that are not licensed. Further discussion was held on new and closed businesses in Sanders County. Statistics are as follows: Inspections- 185 licensed establishments, 91.4% inspected, Temporary Events- 37 so far in fiscal year 2019, Soil/Site Analyses- 28 in calendar 2018, Wastewater Permits- 72 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Water/Well Permits- 47 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Local Subdivision Reviews- 28 so far in fiscal year 2019, Junk Vehicles- 35 vehicles so far in fiscal year 2019 and Food Training- 2 classes planned in fiscal year 2019.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve December 12-13th, 18-19th & 27th, 2018 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 8, 2019**

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 11:30 a.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$57,921.92. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 11 days without incident. Also in attendance was Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools. Open County Positions: Deputy County Attorney, posted externally until February 15, 2019 with the Montana Association of Counties (MACo), Montana State Bar, Montana Lawyers Magazine and Sanders County Job Services. Treasurer’s Clerk, posted internally January 7, 2019 and will go external January 11, 2019. Mrs. Scribner requested to extend the probationary period for an additional three month for the Treasurer’s office latest employee hire. The Board has consensus to extend the probationary time for the new hire in the Treasurer’s office for an additional three months. Thompson Falls Airport, Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action form for Dan Normandeau, Patrick McKenzie and Martin Marks for new hires as part-time, seasonal, on-call employees for the Thompson Falls Airport. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on background checks for Courthouse positions. The Board has consensus to conduct background checks for selected Courthouse positions.

The Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Interlocal Agreement between the MT Dept. of Justice, Motor Vehicle Division and Sanders County. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve January 2-3rd, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) requested to meet with the board to discuss: Sanders County banking investments. Further discussion was held on Mrs. Scribner attending the Thompson Falls School District No. 2 Board meeting on January 7, 2019.

The Board met with Bill Cain, Superintendent, Thompson Falls School District No. 2; Stacy Milner, Clerk, Thompson Falls; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Jessica Connolly, CFO

to discuss: the school district's finance concerns with the County. Also in attendance was Annie Wooden, Sanders County Ledger.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 15, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary and Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve December 19, 2018 meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Unfinished Business: Kathy Conlin advised notices were sent to contractors and residents who use the charge list notifying them that if bills are 60-days past due they will not be able to charge until the bills are paid and made current. Mrs. Conlin noted that Refuse Assessment Data Sheets will be mailed shortly. The Board then proceeded to hold discussion on water options for the new Solid Waste Transfer Station. The options included possible water from Leufken's public water system or installing a cistern large enough to sufficiently support restroom facilities and a vehicle wash station. New Business: There was no new business. Recycling Report: The last shipment of Cardboard totaled 10 tons. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 18 days without incident. Open County Positions: Back-up Sanitarian, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action form for Melanie Shaw as Back-up Sanitarian effective January 15, 2019. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Deputy County Attorney, posted externally until February 15, 2019 with the Montana Association of Counties (MACo), Montana State Bar, Montana Lawyers Magazine and Sanders County Job Services. Treasurer's Clerk, posted externally until January 24, 2019. Further discussion was held on the Sheriff's office and employee morale.

The Board met with Willy Peck, Idaho Forest Group (IFG) to discuss: establishing a Forester for Mineral and Sanders County. Further discussion was held on the Sanders County Firewise Program; Sanders County Natural Resource Plan and a Wildfire Protection Plan. Also in attendance were: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services and Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 2:00 p.m.

The Board met with Mike Warner, Veteran Service Officer (VSO), Ravalli County; Dan Griffith, VSO, Ravalli and Billy Hill to discuss: the Ravalli County Valley Veterans Service Center and the services utilized by Ravalli County veterans including: counselors, VA Disability Claims, VA Health Care Benefits, VA Education, VA Burial Benefits and general questions that Sanders County could utilize as well if the residents of Sanders County wanted to pass a mill levy.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Treasurer's office data entry and the County purchasing checks for Sanders County schools.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No, 122 between Sanders County and Stanley Decker. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to grant the following Elected Officials permission to leave the state for short intervals of time during the next sixty days: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace; Candace Fisher, Clerk of Court; Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 3:30 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$186,967.02. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 16, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Sanders County Board of Health (BOH) Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Dr. Robert Gregg, Member; Dr. Jack Lulack, Member; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Tina Scott, Administrative Assistant/Environmental Health; Karen Morey, Director of Public Health; Sandra Gubel, Tobacco Prevention Specialist; Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services; Ron Warren, Rocky Mountain Surveyors and Daniel Konert. Dr. Gregg motioned to approve October 3, 2018 meeting minutes. Dr. Lulack seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Shawn Sorenson, provided the Daniel Konert variance request summary for Lot 4, COS 1631 that was taken under advisement at the October 3, 2018 BOH meeting, where Mr. Sorenson and staff were requested to research and determine the legal aspects of the variance request. Mr. Sorenson advised the Environmental Health staff recommend any decision regarding floodplain variances be reviewed by the Sanders County Attorney, or designated legal counsel. Dr. Gregg motioned to grant the variance request made by Daniel Konert for Lot 4, COS 1631 contingent on the approval of the County Attorney. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Sandra Gubel, presented the Montana Cancer Screening Program (MCSP). MCSP serves women in Lake, Lincoln, Flathead and Sanders County and offers free cancer screening services with mammograms, clinical breast exams and pap tests. The free screening services are for women that must be uninsured or have no health insurance and must meet income guidelines. Mrs. Gubel stated the biggest project she will be completing this quarter will be Kick Butts Day, the week of March 18-22, 2019. Karen Morey, Sanders County has had two cases of positive Influenza A with one resulting in the death of a 67-year old with a history of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and other comorbidities, and two cases of Influenza B. To date the Sanders County Health Department has given 656 flu shots. Clark Fork Valley hospital has given over 400 flu shots. The Montana Cardiovascular Health Program with the Montana Department of Health is running a campaign in Sanders County to raise awareness of stroke signs and symptoms and the need to call 911 immediately. Kate Whipple-Kilmer, licensed Clinical Psychologist from Clark Fork Valley Hospital (CFVH) spoke on January 14, 2019 on ways to manage stress for County

employees. Twenty-four employees attended the two sessions provided by Mrs. Whipple-Kilmer. Shawn Sorenson, Environmental Health staff received a report of a bed bug infestation at a local housing project. Emergency medical staff and CFVH ER staff reported the infestation as observed on a patient. Contact was made with a pest control company who recommended working through federal housing contacts to address the situation. Quinns Hot Springs Resort had a wastewater failure. Staff responded and assisted with the failure of the restaurant wastewater system. Tank replacement and preliminary drainfield demo has been approved by the Department of Environmental Quality. State law requires licensing of all public accommodations including tourist homes and bed and breakfasts. There is an expectation from the Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS) Food and Consumer Safety that all counties be more aggressive about identifying operations that are circumventing licensing. Environmental Health staff will begin more aggressive licensing of these public accommodations, including social media monitoring. Mr. Sorenson also noted that he has attend the last two Thompson Falls Meeting in regards to the Thompson Falls Wastewater System project to educate the public on the importance of the project including the update of an antiquated system that is failing. There was no unfinished business. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Matthew A. Baldassin, Crowley Fleck, PLLP to discuss: Mr. Baldassin's experience and references in regards to the County's Collective Bargaining Agreement. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources and Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner.

The Board requested to meet with Mike Baxter, First Security Bank of Missoula (FSBM) as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: Sanders County investments and proposed rates on returns.

The Board adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 17, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: a call Ms. Maudrone had with Kim Barrett at Headwaters Economics discussing the County's Firewise Risk Assessment Maps and Subdivision Regulations.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Ms. Leisz looking into the legalities of a Petition for a Mill Levy in Sanders County for a Veteran's Office. Further discussion was held on Ms. Leisz making contact with the Paradise Water and Paradise Sewer District.

The Board met with Lori Methgen, GIS/Rural Addressing to discuss: surplus county property. The Board requested a policy be drafted for a Sanders County- Disposal of County Surplus Property. Further discussion was held on Ms. Methgen submitting a grant application for Next Generation 911.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Ed Dziergas, Resident Engineer, Mid-State Consultants; Wil Anderson, Marketing and Media Relations Manager, Blackfoot; Jared Jarrett, OSP Engineering Manager, Blackfoot and JB Ray, Network Infrastructure Manager, Blackfoot to discuss: Fiber Optic Cable installation in Sanders County. Also in attendance were: Katherine Maudrone,

Director of Land Services and Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2. The project entails replacing old copper wire with fiber optic cables to as many homes as possible. The project location will be from mile post 23 to 63 in Sanders County.

The Board adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 24, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, January 24, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Glen E. Magera as Acting Presiding Officer while Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer is absent. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 27 days without incident. Open County Positions: Deputy County Attorney, posted externally until February 15, 2019. Treasurer's Clerk, posted externally until later today. Further discussion was held on morale in the Sheriff's Office.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Ms. Leisz looking into the legalities of the County passing a Dog Control Ordinance. Commissioner Brooker requested Ms. Leisz make contact with the Paradise Water and Paradise Sewer District in regards to a legal opinion from the County Attorney on the Sanders County Sewer District at Paradise. Further discussion was held on the open county position for a Deputy County Attorney.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the Capital Improvement Planning services with Robert Peccia & Associates. Ms. Maudrone stated that water systems have to be metered as part of the qualifying criteria for grant funds. Further discussion was held on Keister Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Sanders County Subdivision Improvement Agreement. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

As it was 1:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, the Board proceeded to open the sealed bids for County Printing and Legal Advertising. County Printing Bids were received from: the Sanders County Ledger for Montana Code Annotated (MCA) less 21 percent of the allowable charges as our bid for County Printing from February 1, 2019 to January 31, 2020 and the Printery for MCA less 22 percent of the allowable charges as our bid for County Printing from February 1, 2019 to January 31, 2020. Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the County Printing bid to the Printery from February 1, 2019 to January 31, 2020. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. A Legal Advertising Bid was received from: the Sanders County Ledger for MCA less 15 percent of the allowable charges for publishing the legal advertising from February 1, 2019 to January 31, 2020. Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the bid to the Sanders County Ledger for Legal Advertising from February 1, 2019 to January 31, 2020. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance were: Randy Garrison, the Printery and Annie Wooden, the Sanders County Ledger.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2018-32 Amended, A Resolution Establishing A Policy and Control Over Access to Sanders County Bank Accounts with a Revised Exhibit A. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning Team Meeting No. 4 held with Daphne Digrindakis from Tetra Tech, the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant reporting for last quarter, as well as two conference's Mr. Naegeli would like to attend in April 2019.

Commissioner Brooker and Commissioner Magera proceeded to audit County Claims at 3:45 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$81,309.98. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 29, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Glen E. Magera as Acting Presiding Officer while Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer is absent. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met at the Lake County Courthouse in Polson, Montana with the Bill Barron, District 1, Lake County Commissioner; Dave Stipe, District 2, Lake County Commissioner; Gale Decker, District 3, Lake County Commissioner and Kate Stinger, Executive Administrative Assistant to discuss: the People's Water Compact as an alternative to the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) Water Compact, the Temporary Tribal Tax Exemption, as well as the Ambulance Services. Also in attendance were: Scott Beggs, Lake County Finance Director; Robin Vert-Rubel, Lake County Treasurer; David Passieri; Terri Backs, Representative, Peoples Water Compact; D. Boone Cole, Jocko Irrigator; Walter E. Congdon, Civil Deputy, Lake County Attorney and Warren Fahner, Lake County GIS Office.

The Board adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 30, 2019

Commissioner Brooker and Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Payroll at 9:30 a.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$495,381.16. (County Payroll is on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Elizabeth Kaleva, Kaleva Law Office and Beth O'Halloran, Kaleva Law Office to discuss: Mrs. Kaleva and Mrs. O'Halloran's experience and references in regards to the County's Collective Bargaining Agreement. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) and Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of HR to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 33 days without incident. Open County Positions: Deputy County Attorney, posted externally until February 15, 2019. Treasurer's Clerk, will be conducting interviews on Monday, February 4, 2019. Further discussion was held on proposed County department Facebook pages. The Board has consensus that departments can have a Facebook page however, supervisor's and elected officials need to monitor and maintain the sites not hourly staff.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Roberta Smith to the Sanders County Fair Commission for a two year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Gene Pope to the Thompson Falls Airport Advisory Board for a three year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Opencut Mining Program: 2018 Annual Production Report. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 2:00 p.m.

The Board held the 2019 Employee Service Award Ceremony in the Justice Courtroom. Those recognized for their years of service were: Allison Smith- 5 years, Shirley Kinkade- 25 years, Brad Syth- 20 years, Bill Naegeli- 15 years, Paul DeLong- 10 years, Kurt Beerntsen- 10 years, Judson Shively- 5 years, Shawn Sorenson- 5 years, Les Lantz- 5 years, Nichol Scribner- 5 years, Brent Stovall- 5 years, Jeff Lundberg- 5 years, Bill Brown- 15 years, Shelly Wrightson- 10 years, Rebecca McDonald- 10 years, Lisa Gregory- 5 years, Ted Tompkins- 5 years, Robert Patch- 10 years, John Dalke- 5 years, Anthony B. Cox- 10 years and Tracy Vanicek- 5 years.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 5:30 p.m.

As it was 5:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the public hearing on the Regional Economic Development Needs Assessment at the Sanders County Courthouse. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Jen Kreiner, Sanders County Community Development Corporation (SCCDC) Marie Hirsch, Lake County Community Development Corporation (LCCDC); John Thorson, Paradise Elementary School Preservation Committee (PESPC); Karen Thorson, (PESPC); Ernest Scherzer, Sanders County Community Housing Organization (SCCHO); Jim Jacobson, SCCHO; Billie Lee, LCCDC; Gunner Junge, Resident; Beth Junge, Resident; Annie Wooden, the Sanders County Ledger; Donald Damschen, Resident; Susan Damschen, Resident; Rusti Leivestad, Resident; Ole Leivestad, Resident; Kim Bates, Resident; Chris Cockrell, Resident; Jane Bates, Resident; Delores Tompkins; Resident; Milanna Shear, SCCDC; Benita A Hanson, PESPC; Dan Rowan, Mayor of Plains and Mary Whitsett, Resident. Commissioner Cox then turned the meeting over to Jen Kreiner who advised those in attendance that this hearing is to obtain public comment identifying the needs and priorities of Sanders County citizens and communities in the areas of Infrastructure, Housing and Economic Development and to advise local stakeholders of potential funding sources. Mrs. Kreiner held further discussion on types of community development, requirements for funding public infrastructure: the Montana Department of Commerce Programs consisting of: Treasurer State Endowment Program (TSEP), and the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) consisting of: the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF), and the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Utility Service (USDA RD RUS). Housing programs consist of: CDBG and HOME. Public comments as follows:

Infrastructure: Commissioner Cox advised Road District No. 3 Road Shop was damaged by a fire on Sunday, January 27, 2019 and might have to be completely rebuilt if determined by the insurance company. Jennifer Ekberg read a letter provided by the Committee for Safe Swimming (Janice Hanson, Erika Lawyer and Kathy Gregg) in Plains, MT stating: Since 2002 CSS has raised over \$140,000 in donations and grants for major repairs and/or maintenance of the pool. The funds have been spent as requested by the town and there is still about \$30,000 in reserve. During the summer of 2018, the town discovered that each day about 15,000 gallons of heated and treated water leaked out of the pool's piping and into the ground under the concrete decking around the pool. The loss increased the pool's operating costs as well as caused concern for the infrastructure of the pool and decking. Mayor Dan Rowan received estimates that indicate the repairs will be between \$30,000 and \$50,000. At a meeting with Mayor Rowan and CSS members, various possibilities were discussed ranging from emergency repairs to a longer-term repair/replacement plan for the existing pool to even ideas about a possible YMCA-type facility that could include an indoor pool and walking track. A meeting was held on January 8th, 2019 with other stakeholders, and resulted in a healthy exchange of possibilities. Because any consideration of an indoor facility will probably take several years, it was decided that CSS would move forward in conjunction with Mayor Dan Rowan to ensure that the pool can be operational in 2019 and the near future. CSS has committed \$20,000 of their reserve funds but must begin immediately to try to raise the remaining \$30,000. Fundraising efforts will include any and everything from truffle sales and donation requests to grant requests as appropriate. In conclusion, the swimming pool is and will continue to be an important asset to the Town of Plains. It provides summer recreation for families and the youth of the community skills necessary to survive and enjoy our beautiful Clark Fork River and its many recreational opportunities and having a swimming facility provides that opportunity. In addition, a local pool facility is an attractive resource to those who are looking to move into this area thus positively impacting local real estate values and recruitment of employees. Results of community surveys have indicated the importance of swimming facilities. Mr. Scherzer recommended CSS work in conjunction with local schools. John Thorson: The PESPC is pleased to report continuing progress and generous support from local residents and businesses, as well as foundations and government agencies. As PESPC looks to the future, we have many priorities and needs, but the two most important are: 1) replace the Oil Boiler. This past fall, PESPC faced a complete breakdown of the boiler that required several thousands of dollars of work paid for by PESPC. The leading, suggested improvement is to install a split-unit propane heat pump system with outside compressors and air handling units in each room. PESPC will need to raise sufficient funds for this system- probably through a combination of donations and government and foundation grants. 2) connecting structure and improved entrance. A Preliminary Architecture Report will be completed in the spring of 2019 and will enable PESPC to apply for construction funds under federal, state, and foundation programs. Ernest Scherzer: would like for the Commissioners to advise the water districts to file their right-of-ways. Mayor Dan Rowan: the Town of Plains has applied for grants for their wastewater treatment facility to not end up in the Clark Fork River. Mayor Rowan is hopeful Plains will receive a grant. Betty Boehler: a committee is in the process of being formed in Plains, MT for independent living for 55 years and older. Mrs. Boehler proposes a 30- unit facility and would like to request direction on how to undertake the project to the Sanders County Commissioners and SCCDC. Beth Junge: would like it noted that Sanders County is in need of more affordable housing and she is concerned at the number of houses that have multiple people in two-bedroom houses. Jim Jacobson: Sanders County's aging population is aging faster than any other place in the state of Montana. The County does not have a Growth Policy, which makes the competitive grant application nearly impossible. Sanders County is one of only two counties in the state that does not have a Growth Policy. Mr. Scherzer: the County can apply for a grant to implement the Growth Policy. Discussion was held on the County not having a Growth Policy. Mrs. Kreiner advised the attendees could schedule a meeting with the Commissioners at a later date to discuss Sanders County and a Growth Policy. Marie Hirsch: Big Sky Job grants are available until June 2020. The Montana Department of Labor: Incumbent Worker Training (IWT) Program is a great program for a business that has acquired new technology and would like to train employees on how to use the new technology. Karen Thorson: Sanders County is spread out over 2,770 plus square miles and it is hard to communicate with the other communities in Sanders County. Mrs. Thorson would like a plan to knit the communities together by better communication. Donald Damschen: would like a county wide process for independent living. Rusti Leivestad: the Sanders County Ledger publishes a calendar of events in Sanders County. Maybe if we could expand upon that county wide. Jim Jacobson: the County went from 50 affordable housing units to now 38 units in the County. The County is losing their number of affordable units and before we know it there will be no more. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
January 31, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, January 31, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the County Review Surveyor. Further discussion was held on assistance provided by Headwaters Economics for the County's Risk Maps and Subdivision Regulations.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 11:00 a.m.

Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: an open position in Detention. Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention/Dispatch would like to post the open position for a part-time Detention Officer. The Board has consensus to post for the open position for a part-time Detention Officer/Bailiff/Transport.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Ms. Leisz is reviewing a draft for a proposed County Dog Control Ordinance. Further discussion was held junk vehicles in Camas Prairie.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve January 15-24th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
February 7, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, February 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 41 days without incident. Also in attendance were: Kathy Conlin, Receptionist and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools. Open County Positions: Deputy County Attorney, posted externally until February 15, 2019. Detention/Bailiff/Transport Officer, position posted externally on February 6, 2019. Rush Skeleton

Weed (RSW) Grant Coordinator, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for a Promotional Opportunity for Brad Lowry as the RSW Grant Coordinator effective March 18, 2019. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Mr. Wallace advised IPHARM Health Screenings for County Employees will be held on April 10-11th, 2019. Mrs. Conlin held discussion on the Courthouse Focus Group and proposed a County Employee t-shirt. Further discussion was held on the Courthouse Focus Group nominating, with the support of the Commissioners the Sanders County Road Districts for going the Sanders County Mile.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the Capital Improvement Planning services with Robert Peccia & Associates and their progress to date.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Ms. Leisz's attendance at the Paradise Action Committee Meeting held on Thursday, January 31, 2019. Further discussion was held on Ms. Leisz recommending the County adopt a resolution for a public nuisance petition.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Mike Baxter, First Security Bank (FSB) to discuss: Sanders County's investments and proposed rates on returns from FSB. Also in attendance was Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: quotes from DIS Technologies for digitizing the Clerk and Recorder, Treasurer and Superintendent of Schools County records.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: the Alexander wastewater failure, the owner has requested the County pay for replacement attributing failure to incorrect site evaluation. Further discussion was held on new and closed businesses in Sanders County. Statistics are as follows: Inspections- 173 licensed establishments, Temporary Events- 38 so far in fiscal year 2019, Soil/Site Analyses- 3 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 74 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Water/Well Permits- 48 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Local Subdivision Reviews- 30 so far in fiscal year 2019, Junk Vehicles- 35 vehicles so far in fiscal year 2019 and Food Training- 2 classes planned in fiscal year 2019.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services; Ron Warren, Rocky Mountain Surveyors; Ricky Hagedorn, Hagedorn Land Surveying and Tim Smith, Timberline Land Surveyors to discuss: the County's Examining Land Surveyor. Further discussion was held on the Clerk and Recorder's office procedures.

Commissioner Brooker left the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 Certification of Title III Expenditures for Sanders County. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the agreement for Backup Sanitarian Mineral and Sanders County: Mutual aid for circumstances where County Sanitarian is not available to respond to normal work activities. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Montana Association of Counties (MACo) Workers' Compensation Agent Appointment & Agreement between Sanders County and Dave Montelius. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the MACo Property & Casualty Agent Appointment & Agreement between Sanders County and Dave Montelius. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the MACo Acknowledgment Form for the 2019-2020 PCT Renewal Scheduled Property. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to reappoint Randal Woods to the Sanders County Fair Commission for a 2-year term. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant Application (SF-424) for the Thompson Falls Airport. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Categorical Exclusion for Thompson Falls Airport Improvements A.I.P. 3-30-0076-010-2019 and -011-2020. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute FAA Form 5100-129, Form 5100-130, 5100-131, 5100-132, 5100-135 and the Certification Regarding Lobbying for the Thompson Falls Airport Project No. 3-30-0076-010-2019. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve January 29-31st, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
February 19, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest to discuss: Ms. Carey introduced herself as the new District Ranger. Further discussion was held on fire salvage updates, the 2019 season for prescribed burns and the Youth Conservation Corp. (YCC) applicants for Sanders County.

The Board adjourned at 11:00 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

As it was 1:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox turned the Pre-Bid Conference over to Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering for the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Also in attendance were: Scott Pardee, Pardee Excavating (PE); Ty Pardee, PE; Oliver St. Clair, St. Clair Construction; Paul Clary, Clearwater Construction; Louise Adamson, Swank Enterprises; Jeff Nistler, Fairbanks Scales; Keith Paul, Flathead Garage Doors; Eric Huffine, Wall and Slab; Jack Bukovatz, 4G Plumbing; Dustin Schilling, Pavlik Electric; Dan Clost, Poteet Construction (PC); Luke Dicola, PC; Dustin Webber, Dick Anderson Construction (DAC); Louie Miller, DAC; Rick Martin, Lariviere Inc.; Shane Nielson, FirstMark Construction (FC); Dan Zevonis, FC; Kevin Allen, FC; Jake Nicholas, Imco Construction; Greg Ranniger, NNAC Inc.; Ryan Holste, Wild Fence (WF); Larry Iverson, WF; Jon Rietema, Syblon Reid and Todd Rather, Rocky Mountain Scale Works. Mr. Church advised on the scope of work and provided details on the requirements of the project. Mr. Church advised requests were made from prospective bidders to extend the bid opening for one week for sufficient time to submit bids. The Board has consensus to amend the bid opening for the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Project to Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Mr. Church advised Addendum No.1 would be sent out shortly with this change along with any questions regarding clarifications.

Commissioner Brooker left the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Commissioner Brooker joined the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

As it was 3:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, the Board proceeded to open the sealed Chemical Bids. Bids were received from: Nutrien Solutions and Wilbur Ellis. There was no public present. Commissioner Brooker motioned to take the bid under advisement until Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
February 20, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary and Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve January 15, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Jason Peterson advised batteries will be accepted at all refuse sites. Kathy Conlin requested a one-bedroom apartment refuse fee move from a 1/2-unit to one-unit. Commissioner Brooker motioned to move an apartment from a 1/2-unit to one-unit on the Schedule of Units and Fees for Services. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Kathy Conlin provided an update on the upcoming Beautification Days. The Board has consensus for Kathy Conlin to work on Beautification Days during her working hours; to print the Thompson Falls student posters and to have a Paint Swap vinyl sign made for Beautification Days for the Thompson Falls Transfer Station. Jason Peterson approved the acceptance of tires and paint swaps at the Thompson Falls Transfer Station during Beautification Days weekend. Mr. Peterson requested the ability to purchase new containers for SW. The Board advised Mr. Peterson to wait until the next cash disbursement for SW. Unfinished Business: There was none at this time. Recycling Report: 24 bales of Cardboard, 5 bales of Aluminum Cans and 3 bales of Batteries. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Commissioner Magera left the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 54 days without incident. Also in attendance was: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools. Open County Positions: Treasurer's Clerk, Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Marshanna Drop starting February 21, 2019 as a Treasurer's Clerk. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Deputy County Attorney, an interview will be conducted on February 21, 2019. Detention/Bailiff/Transport Officer, position posted externally until February 22, 2019. Rush Skeleton Weed (RSW) Assistant, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Patrick McKenzie starting March 18, 2019 as the RSW Assistant. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on the mandatory Montana Association of Counties (MACo)/Sanders County HR Training on March 21, 2019. Mr. Wallace advised the Sanders County Employee Insurance Committee conducted a survey with County employees on important benefits and will be reaching out to insurance agency's requesting quotes.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 11:30 a.m.

The Board met with Laurence Walchuk to discuss: R.J. Demers Additions 2, 3, 4 & 5 to Hot Springs Montana. Also in attendance were: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services and Tracy Vanicek, Plat Clerk, Clerk and Recorder. Tracy Vanicek advised on the status of Mr. Walchuk's plat map. Mrs. Vanicek, along with a co-worker did locate where R. J. Demers Additions 2, 3, 4 & 5 to Hot Springs was filed as document number 69154 on the 10th of January, 1948. Mrs. Vanicek was also able to locate the original fabric plat that had the document number and seal on the back of the plat. Mrs. Vanicek could not locate any paperwork that showed that the property had been annexed into Hot Springs, Montana.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Property/Building Sublease between Sanders County and Montana Department of Transportation for the purpose of storing plow vehicles for Road District No. 3. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the 2019 Chemical Bid to Nutrien Solutions per the Sanders County Weed Districts recommendations. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Gary Hablutzel, President, Innovative Benefits Plans, LLC to discuss: a Cafeteria Plan and utilizing Flexible Spending Accounts. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources and Brenda Franck, Deputy, Recordings/Payroll.

The Board adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
February 21, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board conducted an interview at 10:00 a.m. for the open position on the Sanders County Fair Board.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Legislation is proposing a reduction to county entitlement share payments to assist in paying the costs of the Office of Public Defender. Commissioner Brooker advised Mrs. Leisz to be aware that an email will be sent shortly from Montana Association of Counties (MACo) requesting 5 years' worth of data on county prosecutorial costs. Further discussion was held on a Settlement Request for Damage Claim received by the Sanders County Attorney's Office on February 19, 2019 and a request for all costs involved in a failing septic system reportedly due to a soil profile that does not match the location where the septic system was installed. Mrs. Leisz will contact MACo for potential claims.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Robbins Minor Subdivision. The Board has consensus to execute the Subdivision Improvement Plan for Robbins Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve the final plat of Robbins Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on records retention and storage for Land Services.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to accept the resignation of Chris McGuigan, Manager, Sanders County Fair and Lynn Felstet, Administrative Assistant, Sanders County Fair effective February 20, 2019. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the 2019 Contract for Legal Advertising between Sanders County and the Sanders County Ledger. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the 2019 Contract for County Printing between Sanders County and The Printery. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve February 7, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board requested to meet with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a decision on County investments. The Board has consensus to accept First Security Bank's offer of Option 1 dated February 7, 2019. Further discussion was held on special district bank statements.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Fee Agreement between Kaleva Law Office and Sanders County to represent Sanders County in the negotiations of a collective bargaining agreement with Teamsters Local Union No. 2. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
February 27, 2019**

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Payroll at 9:50 a.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$471,390.15. (County Payroll is on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Keister Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the final plat of Keister Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the County passing a Nuisance Dog Ordinance.

The Board conducted an interview at 11:00 a.m. for an open position on the Sanders County Fair Board.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-01 A Resolution of the Sanders County Board of Health to authorize the Sanders County Sanitarian to administer Wastewater Control and Disposal Regulations on a case-by-case basis for parcels within the Sanders County Sewer District at Paradise until such time the Sanders County Sewer District at Paradise Community Wastewater System is constructed and operational. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the DIS Technologies Letter of Intent to Purchase- "On Premise Licenses," for the Sanders County Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools office to digitize records. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Agreement between Sanders County and Ricky L. Hagedorn for the services of Ricky L. Hagedorn as a County Examining Land Surveyor. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Agreement between Sanders County and Ronald G. Warren for the services of Ronald G. Warren as a County Examining Land Surveyor. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Todd Wakefield and Bud Leufkens to discuss: Leufken's Public Water System and an engineer's estimate to tie into the Salish Shores existing Public Water System. Also in attendance were: Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering (via teleconference); Sue Kennedy, Land Owner (via teleconference); Glen Wilhelmsen, Land Owner; Marty Weaver, Land Owner and Jonathan Yoder, Land Owner. Further discussion will be held on Tuesday, March 05, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
February 28, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 62 days without incident. Open County Positions: Deputy County Attorney, in the process of making a decision and conducting reference checks. Detention/Bailiff/Transport Officer, reposted open position until Friday, March 22, 2019. Further discussion was held on the Request for Proposals that were sent to interested health insurance companies to provide insurance quotes for County employees.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve February 19-21st, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: the Federal Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Application due March 8, 2019. The Board has consensus for Mr. Naegeli to submit the EMPG Application for FY 2019-2020 as well as the Sanders County EMPG Funding Commitment Letter executed by the Board.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Bruce Hunn, Citizen to discuss: an update provided by Mr. Hunn on the volunteer maintenance Mr. Hunn accomplished on Silver Butte Road.

The Board met with Les Lantz, Maintenance to discuss: renovations that were conducted in the Treasurer's office. Mr. Lantz advised that construction was complete and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools employed help to paint the newly constructed walls. Further discussion was held on a list of items that the Courthouse and Mr. Lantz would like to have completed including: new paint on the third floor hallway walls, additional wiping rugs on the second floor, glycol leaks fixed around the Courthouse, and a cleaning schedule for the District Court Courtroom.

Kathy Conlin, Recycling Assistant requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the County's annual E-Waste event. The Board has consensus for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District to hold an E-Waste event in June of 2019. Further discussion was held on the local schools and possible under payment of Solid Waste Refuse fee on tax exempt properties.

The Board adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 5, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

As it was 1:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, the Board proceeded to open sealed bids for the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Bids were received from: FirstMark Construction for \$4,109,000.00; RSCI for \$4,620,074.00; Syblon Reid Contractors for \$4,288,060.00; St. Clair Construction, Inc. for \$3,742,204.00; LaRiviere Inc. for \$3,773,090.89; NNAC Construction for \$4,215,709.00; IMCO General Construction for \$3,951,600.00; Clearwater Construction & Management for \$3,806,900.60 and Dick Anderson Construction, Inc. for \$4,667,125.00. Also in attendance were: Bob Church, Vice President (VP), Great West Engineering (GWE); Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Lyle Coney, Area Specialist, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD); Scott Pardee, Pardee Excavating (PE); Chad Pardee, PE; Dan Zekonis, FirstMark Construction; Lauren Jared, RSCI; Jacob Nicholas, IMCO; Jason Salois, LaRiviere; Tim Benson, NNAC and William Gaynor, Clearwater Construction. Bob Church advised bids will be taken under advisement for review and concurrence with funding from USDA RD.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a claim submitted by Tom Rummel, Sheriff for the County to reimburse the Sheriff's office budget for reimbursement of transportation costs during a transport by the Sheriff's office to Deer Lodge, Montana. Commissioner Cox requested Nichol Scribner to follow up with Montana Association of Counties (MACo) legal counsel.

The Board met Todd Wakefield and Bud Leufken's to discuss: Leufken's Public Water System and an engineer's estimate to tie into the Salish Shores existing Public Water System. Also in attendance were: Bob Church, VP, GWE; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Sue Kennedy, Land Owner (via teleconference); Claude Burlingame, Attorney; Jonathan Yoder, Land Owner; Bill Susic, Land Owner and Glen Wilhelmsen, Land Owner. Todd Wakefield will work with his engineer to provide a more accurate estimate of costs to land owners as well as a memorandum of understanding for the interested land owners to move forward with the proposed project.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner

Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 6, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Denley Loge, District 14, Montana House of Representatives; Bob Brown, District 13, Montana House of Representatives and Dr. Gregory Hanson, Obstetrics Emergency Medicine, Clark Fork Valley Hospital to discuss: a legislative update for Sanders County. Also in attendance were: Neil Carman, Resident; Ernest Scherzer, Resident; Linda Parker, Resident; Bruce Sterling, Biologist, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks; Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services; Ronald H Clark, Resident; Sherley Buchanan, Resident; Roberta M. Christenson, Deputy, Elections; Debra Achatz, Mediator; Catherine Dewitt, Resident; Donna Maughlin, Resident; Kimberly Patton, Clerk, Elections; Lisa Koker, Deputy, Treasurer; Karen Morey, Director of Public Health and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools. Topics in the discussion were: Medicaid reform, fishing access sites, raising the Aviation Fuel Tax, Montana Department of Transportation and flexible speed limits, Aquatic Invasive Species, Wolves, HB 86, HB 38, entitlement share, HB 211, HB 218, SB 253, HJ 10, HB 536, SB 162; SB 291 and SB 263. Further discussion was held by Ronald H Clark and Linda Parker on the Thompson Falls Wastewater Project.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the accounting periods of October 2018, November 2018, December 2018 and January 2019.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the hiring of a Deputy County Attorney. The Board advised Ms. Leisz to follow up with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources. Also in attendance were: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Kim Bergstrom, Pinnacle Research.

The Board met with Kim Bergstrom, Pinnacle Research to discuss: the support of the Board to apply for an Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) grant with the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC). The Board has consensus to support the submittal of the AIS grant application with the DNRC. Also in attendance was Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District budget.

As it was 2:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Sanders County Board of Health (BOH) Special Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Dr. Robert Gregg, Member; Dr. Jack Lulack, Member; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Tina Scott, Administrative Assistant/Environmental Health and Jim Alexander, Land Owner. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox turned the meeting over to Shawn Sorenson. Mr. Sorenson presented a failed wastewater treatment system based on a soil profile that does not match the soil conditions within the drainfield on property owned by Jim Alexander. Mr. Alexander stated that he hired Ben Traver, Travers Excavating to dig several holes around his drainfield area and it was found that the soil did not match what was indicated on the soil profiles submitted to the County. Hard packed clay was found at 49 inches and below. During the week of January 28, 2019 Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian and Mr. Traver met at Mr. Alexander's residence to evaluate the situation. Another hole was dug and the soil evaluated. It was found that there is hard clay at 49 inches which does not match the soil profile submitted for the system. Mr. Sorenson agreed that the soil in this location does not match the profile and the system should not have been installed in this location. The Board inquired with Mr. Sorenson as to what the best solution would be to remedy Mr. Alexander's failed system. Mr. Sorenson stated that another system would need to be installed in different location on Mr. Alexander's property.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to order a soil profile for a replacement system on Mr. Alexander's property. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Shawn Sorenson requested clarification on soil profile bids. Mr. Sorenson will send out request for proposals to site evaluators requesting quotes to complete soil profiles on Mr. Alexander's property. Once Mr. Sorenson has received the proposals a special meeting will be called for the BOH. The Board adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a claim submitted by Tom Rummel, Sheriff for the County to reimburse the Sheriff's office budget for reimbursement of transportation costs during a transport by the Sheriff's office to Deer Lodge, Montana. Commissioner Cox had requested Nichol Scribner to follow up with Montana Association of Counties (MACo) legal counsel on yesterday's date March 5, 2019. Mrs. Scribner reported that MACo advised on the claim and that the County did not need to pay the claim due to the expenses should already be built into the Sheriff's budget. The Board has consensus to not pay the claim, transportation costs are already budgeted in the Sheriff's budget.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 7, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: a draft assessment of the Capital Improvements Project completed by Robert Peccia & Associates. A request was made to execute the Department of Environmental Quality Zoning Compliance Form. The Board has consensus for Katherine Maudrone to execute the Burgess Gravel Pit DEQ Zoning Compliance Form for John Revier. Further discussion was held on Katherine Maudrone obtaining a County credit card.

Commissioner Brooker joined the Board at 10:15 a.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve February 27-28th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the County's position on appointing a state prosecutor from the Attorney General's office.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: a report of an illegal wastewater system in Paradise, MT. Three separate reports of an illegally installed wastewater system have been received. Mr. Sorenson will follow up with the property owner. Quinn's wastewater failure, replacement system is designed, approved and pending improved weather conditions for construction. Thompson Falls Wastewater Project, Sanders County Environmental Health staff will attend the City Council meeting today, March 7, 2019 and present data on wastewater systems in the Thompson Falls City limits. Montana Department of Transportation is holding a meeting on March 12, 2019 on the contaminated wells in Plains, MT. Statistics are as follows: Inspections- 174 licensed establishments, Temporary Events- 39 so far in fiscal year 2019, Soil/Site Analyses- 3 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 74 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Water/Well Permits- 48 permits so far in fiscal

year 2019, Local Subdivision Reviews- 30 so far in fiscal year 2019, Junk Vehicles- 35 vehicles so far in fiscal year 2019 and Food Training- 1 class completed in 2019 and one more planned in fiscal year 2019.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:50 p.m.

Commissioner Magera and Commissioner Brooker proceeded to audit County Claims at 1:50 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$148,047.40. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board met with Abby Harnett, Executive Director, Western Montana Mental Health Center (WMTMHC) to discuss: Mrs. Harnett is requesting the support from the County's Alcohol Tax Monies for the WMTMHC).

The Board met with Steve Troendle, Director, Community Programs, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) (via teleconference); Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering (via teleconference); Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Lyle Coney, Area Specialist, USDA RD; Ray Abbott, Project Specialist, USDA RD; Vonda McGarvey, Area Specialist, USDA RD and Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: additional funding requested by the County for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project. Further discussion was held on the County's Capital Improvement Plan.

The Board adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 13, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 for their quarterly meeting to discuss: House Bill (HB) 473: Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Act (BaRSAA). Sanders County's 2019 BaRSAA allocation is \$92,342.06. The 2019 Asphalt, Culverts and Bands, Magnesium Chloride and Road Oil bids are set for Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Further discussion was held on an auction for Road Department No. 1 & 2 equipment. The Board has consensus for Mr. Bache to contact Kevin Hill to see when the next time he is conducting an auction in Plains, MT. Mr. Bache discussed the County contracting for dust control with private landowners on County roads. Further research is needed but Mr. Bache would like to have a policy similar to Flathead County's Cost Share Dust Control Program.

The Board met with Department Heads for their quarterly meeting. In attendance were: Candace Fisher, District Court Clerk; Tom Rummel, Sheriff; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Marshanna Drop, Clerk, Treasurer; Karen Morey, Director of Public Health; Judson Shively, Coordinator, Weed District; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Les Lantz, Maintenance and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator. There was no Old Business. New Business: Nichol Scribner, introduced Marshanna Drop, a new employee in the Treasurer's office. Commissioner Cox provided an overview of the mandatory Montana Association of Counties (MACo)/Human Resources Department Head Training that will be held on March 21, 2019. Commissioner Cox provided the number of departments in the Courthouse that have Culligan cooler rentals. The County has installed a drinking fountain/ bottle filler on the second floor to cut down on rentals and assist with recycling and inquired as to would any department be willing to cease renting. Karen Morey stated that the first floor had returned their Culligan rental.

Nichol Scribner stated the Clerk and Recorder's office would be willing to return theirs. Candace Fisher stated that District Court found that it was beneficial to have their Culligan rental for court day to fill up pitchers of water and would not be willing to discontinue their renting from Culligan. Commissioner Cox held discussion on County Facebook page guidelines and requests to create Facebook pages for departments. Nichol Scribner provided information and instructions on accessing departmental reports in Black Mountain. Department Head Updates: Nichol Scribner, claims will be processed on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. Mrs. Scribner and staff are in the process of working on the upcoming school elections. Jason Peterson, just opened the Solid Waste System Improvements Project bids. The bid should be awarded in the next week or two. Naomi Leisz, the County hired a new Deputy County Attorney and her first day was yesterday, Tuesday, March 12, 2019. Candace Fisher, Lahua Milliken has resigned from District Court. District Court will be posting for a part-time employee. Tom Rummel, ready for fire season. Pats Knob has a repeater link that is down. Mr. Rummel is working towards a fix to the repeater. Deputies still have transmission capabilities, so communication is not down. Karen Morey, IPHARM is scheduled for April 10 & 11, 2019 for County employees. Judson Shively, the Weed District Shop is scheduled to open March 18, 2019 but might have to extend the opening one week due to snow piles around the shop. Commissioner Magera, the Solid Waste bid was for \$3,742,204.00. The County will need to raise the Solid Waste Refuse fee on property taxes. Commissioner Cox, the Road District No. 3 shop and vehicles were damaged due to a fire. Commissioner Cox and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 are working with the insurance company at this time for the loss.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer to discuss: the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District 2018/2019 budget, Sanders County DUI Task Force's request for a budget amendment as well as the Courthouse and possible options for a new Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Agreement for Installation of a Concrete Crossing Surface at DOT# 091136L in Sanders County, Montana with Montana Rail Link, Inc. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to appoint Timothy Ellis to the Sanders County Fair Commission to fill the remainder of the term for Jenny Garrison ending on November 20, 2019. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 126 and 127 between Sanders County and Gary Morehouse. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board requested to meet with Les Lantz, Maintenance as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: two heating units that were installed and appeared to have been damaged before installation. Mr. Lantz is in the process of having two heating units assembled so that the two malfunctioning units can be replaced since they both are under warranty. Further discussion was held on the Courthouse's boiler system and how Mr. Lantz is notified when failure is occurring.

The Board adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 14, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Commissioner Magera as Acting Presiding Officer as Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer is absent. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Karen Murphy, MT Partnership Specialist, Regional Census Office to discuss: the upcoming 2020 Census and the formation of a Complete Count Committee in Sanders County, MT.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the Sanders County, Montana Human Resources and Policy: Section 39.0- Overtime and Compensatory Time.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 76 days without incident. Open County Positions: Deputy County Attorney, the Board has consensus for Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Kimberly Field starting March 12, 2019 as the new Deputy County Attorney. Detention/Bailiff/Transport Officer, position posted until March 29, 2019. Fair Manager, position posted until March 15, 2019, one applicant so far. The Board has consensus to extend the closing date for applications until March 22, 2019. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, position posted until March 15, 2019, one application so far. The Board has consensus to extend the closing date for applications until March 22, 2019. Deputy Clerk of Court, the Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Lahua Milliken as she has resigned from District Court. Mr. Wallace advised the road departments have requested to purchase gloves and coveralls with their Safety Glass and Footwear allowance. The amount would still be \$300.00 per year to cover the cost of safety glasses, footwear with the added gloves and coveralls. The Board has consensus to add these additional items to the Safety Glass and Footwear allowance. Mr. Wallace will make these additions to the policy. Further discussion was held on the Sheriff's office and a Reserve Deputy. Mr. Wallace advised the Board that the Sheriff and Undersheriff would be terminating a Reserve Deputy this week but had not done so as of yet on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve March 5-6th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Brooker proceeded to audit County Claims at 1:30 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$117,541.68. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board requested to meet with Les Lantz, Maintenance as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a status update on the (Heat, Ventilation and Air Conditioning) HVAC pipe break that occurred in the Clerk and Recorder's office and subsequent leaked into offices in the basement. Mr. Lantz advised the system should be up and running on Friday, March 15, 2019 by late afternoon.

The Board adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 19, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board conducted an interview at 10:00 a.m. for the open position on the Sanders County Fair Board.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the City of Thompson Falls, MT Wastewater Project. The Board has consensus to contact the City of Thompson Falls, MT to schedule a meeting on the discussion on the assessments on the County Tax Roll and future processes between the County and City regarding the Wastewater Project. Also in attendance were: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Tracy Vanicek, Plat Clerk, Clerk and Recorder; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Jami Jorgenson, Appraiser, Department of Revenue (DOR); Dan Lapan, Area Manager, Lake and Sanders County DOR and Lisa Koker, Deputy, Treasurer.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 81 days without incident. Open County Positions: Detention/Bailiff/Transport Officer, position posted until March 29, 2019. Fair Manager, position posted until March 15, 2019, one applicant so far. The Board has consensus to extend the closing date for applications until March 22, 2019. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, position posted until March 15, 2019, one application so far. The Board has consensus to extend the closing date for applications until March 22, 2019. Deputy Clerk of Court, position posted externally on today's date. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, goes external on Thursday, March 21, 2019. Clerk and Recorder's office, the Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form and Work Week Agreement for Kimberly Fields to move from part-time to a full-time employee. Further discussion was held on the Sheriff's office and Deputies Tim Kelly and Roy Scott that visited with Mr. Wallace on March 18, 2019.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Magera did not join the Board at 1:30p.m.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 1:40 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement: Amendment No. 5 with Great West Engineering (GWE) for the Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Consultant Agreement for Professional Services between Sanders County and GWE for the consulting, design, advisory, and/or surveying services for the Sanders County shop building replacement for Sanders County Road District No. 3. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board conducted an interview at 2:00 p.m. for the open position on the Sanders County Fair Board.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to grant the following Elected Officials permission to leave the state for short intervals of time during the next sixty days: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace; Candace Fisher, Clerk of District Court; Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera left the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner

Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 20, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board requested to meet with Jim Rummel as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Courthouse boiler system.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 10:00 a.m.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant; Rebecca DelGuidice, Owner, B & P Services and Jim Cummins, Driver, B & P Services. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve February 20, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Rebecca DelGuidice would like to obtain a list from the County on items that can and cannot be put into rental containers. Further discussion was held on B & P Services being charged by the ton and now are being charged by the yard. Commissioner Brooker advised that B & P Services is now being charged by the yard so that everyone in the County is being charged the same way. Everyone else has been charged by the yard for quite some time and the County wanted the charging to be uniform. Unfinished Business: Kathy Conlin would like to address the formula on how the schools in Sanders County are being charged for their units of refuse. The Board has consensus for Mrs. Conlin to reassess the formula for the Schools SW Assessments. Recycling Report: 14 bales of Cardboard (18 bales of Cardboard were shipped on 03/13/2019), 20 yards loose and 5 bales of Aluminum Cans, the Metal Pile was shipped in February and 3 pallets of Batteries. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator and Kimberly Field, Deputy, County Attorney to discuss: the new Deputy County Attorney. Ms. Leisz introduced Kimberly Field to the Board as the new Deputy County Attorney for Sanders County.

The Board met with Julie Molzahn, Member, Sanders County Board of Park Commissioners to discuss: the Sanders County Park Commission's cost of maintenance on County Park public toilets. Mrs. Molzahn addressed toilets located at Cherry Creek, Rainbow Lake and Riverside Park that are an expense to maintain. Mrs. Molzahn wanted it noted that the Park Commission does not have mill levy money to fund the Board and the amount of money that is in their coffers is dwindling and will eventually leave no money in the Park Commission's account. The Board advised they will take the matter under review until the Park Commissioners meeting on May 7th, 2019. Also in attendance was Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Angela Holmes, Auditor, Denning, Downing and Associates to discuss: her findings from the recently completed audit. Ms. Holmes advised that she had just completed the 2018 Financial Statement and Federal Audit. Ms. Holmes advised that this year DDA will give the County an unmodified opinion on both, fairly stated in all respects, based on reasonable assurances (all audit findings are discussed in detail in the official audit report, and are available in the Clerk and Recorder's office and on the County website). Also in attendance were: Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools.

The Board met with Lori Methgen, GIS/Rural Addressing to discuss: Windows 7 is going unsupported in December of 2019. Ms. Methgen advised approximately 25 computers along with the servers will need to be replaced with Windows 10. An Electronic Plat Book with a parcel layer being maintained by the County is in the works by Tracy Vanicek, Plat Clerk and Ms. Methgen. Further discussion was held on the Next Generation 911 grant Ms. Methgen was awarded \$50,000.00 for.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

The Board has consensus to execute the Montana Department of Transportation Yearly Certification of Roadway Mileage SFY 2020.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve the March 7, 13-14th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board requested to meet with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Maintenance Supervisor job description.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 21, 2019**

The Board attended the Montana Association of Counties (MACo) and Sanders County Human Resources (HR) Department Head Training presented by McKenzie McCarthy, MACo General Counsel and Rich Wallace, Director of HR from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Justice Courtroom covering the following topics: Why the Sanders County HR Handbook, state and federal law, and guidance from MACo are important; Preventing Discrimination; Employee Grievance Policy; Employee Personnel Records; Recruitment; Job Descriptions; Discipline; Managing Leave; Ethics and Conflict of Interest; Compliance with all laws, rules and policies; Communications with Supervisor and Employees and Performance Appraisals. Also in attendance were: Lisa Koker, Deputy Treasurer; Karen Morey, Director of Public Health; Candace Fisher, Clerk of Court; Lisa Richmond, Program Assistant/WIC Aide, Public Health; Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention/Dispatch; Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management; Judson Shively, Coordinator, Weed District; Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3; Ted Tompkins, Lead, Detention; Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Tom Rummel, Sheriff; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace; Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services; Sandra Gubel, Tobacco Prevention Specialist; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer (joined the training at 9:00 a.m.); Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator (joined the training at 9:15 a.m.); and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner (joined the training at 10:15 a.m.).

The training concluded at 5:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Acting Secretary
Kathy Conlin

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 26, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Jerry Lacy, Mayor, City of Thompson Falls to discuss: the Sanders County Tax Assessments and Aggregation Process. Mayor Lacey advised some residents want to consolidate parcels to reduce the number of units for refuse and sewer on their property and November 2020 the new assessments would be added to the Sanders County tax roll. Mrs. Scribner advised to reference Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 7-11-1013 and 7-11-1014 certain criteria need to be done in the process of the City of Thompson Falls creating a district—power to implement the program as well as additional reporting procedures—coordination of information collection, transfer and accessibility. Katherine Maudrone requested a handout be drafted on the complete process of aggregation. Also in attendance were: Chelsea Peterson, Clerk, City of Thompson Falls; Jami Jorgenson, Appraiser, Department of Revenue; Dan Lapan, Area Manager, Department of Revenue; Rick Hagedorn, Surveyor, Hagedorn, Inc.; Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Tracy Vanicek, Plat Clerk, Clerk and Recorder; Lisa Koker, Deputy Treasurer; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Tim Goen, Attorney, City of Thompson Falls.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the accounting period of February 2019.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: an update on the cost-share for the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan which will now be known as the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Further discussion was held on upcoming meetings Mr. Naegeli will be attending.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

The Board has consensus to execute the press release in opposition of House Bill 2 in regards to reducing local government revenues to divert them to the Office of the Public Defender.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Letter of Intent to Meet Conditions; Replacement Letter of Intent to Meet Conditions; Request for Obligation of Funds and the Certification Approval for the construction of a new Solid Waste Transfer Station and safety and efficiency improvements at the four container sites. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) Reclamation and Development Grants Program: Aquatic Invasive Species Grant Application for the 2019-2020 Invasive Watermilfoil Management for Sanders County. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 88 days without incident. Open County Positions: Detention/Bailiff/ Transport Officer, external posting closed on March 22, 2019. Two applicants applied, and will be reviewing for possible interviews. Fair Manager, external posting closed on March 22, 2019. Two applicants applied, and will be reviewing for possible interviews. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, external posting closed on March 22, 2019. Two applicants applied, and will be reviewing for possible interviews. Deputy Clerk of Court, external post closes on Monday, April 1, 2019. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, posted externally until Thursday, April 11, 2019. Maintenance Supervisor, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action form for Les Lantz effective March 25, 2019. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Sheriff's office, Jerry Johnson, Deputy notified Mr. Wallace in a discrepancy in the Deputies Vacation Leave Accrual he believes has been occurring. In an email to Mr. Wallace, Deputy Johnson states that another Deputy is being shorted on his Vacation time and would like it remedied per the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). Mr. Wallace will follow up with the County's CBA Counsel. Mr. Wallace advised he will be setting up meetings with Department Heads to follow up with Performance Appraisals following the Department Head Training that occurred on March 21, 2019.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Acting Secretary
Kathy Conlin

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
March 28, 2019**

Commissioner Brooker proceeded to audit County Payroll at 8:45 a.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$440,732.99. (County Payroll is on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Carol Brooker, Commissioner and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: an update provided by Chris Hayes, Robert Peccia & Associates for the Capital Improvement Plan including a Financial Capability Assessment and funding opportunities. Further discussion was held on an update on the installation of fiber optic cables by Blackfoot Telephone Company from Driftwood Point Lane (mile post 23) to Munson Creek (mile post 64).

The Board met with Tom Rummel, Sheriff to discuss: the County proposing a Nuisance Dog Ordinance. Sheriff Rummel is in favor of the ordinance.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: election judges. Commissioner Magera motioned to appoint the following individuals as Election Judges for the School District Elections to be held in Sanders County on May 7, 2019. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CENTRAL TABULATING OFFICE/HAND COUNT JUDGES OF ELECTION

Bobbi Christenson	Brenda Franck	Tracy Vanicek
Lisa Wadsworth	Kimberly Patton	Jane Bates (P)
Dawn Gandalf (TF)	Joyce Hilt (N)	Linda A. Keister (TC)
Barbara A. Lampshire (N)	Sharon R. Larkin (N)	Deb Pier (HS)
Judith Stephens (P)	Janet Sheridan (P)	Kay Shanley (TC)
Sandra True	Ginger Ward (TF)	Carol Webb (HS)
Amber Webb (HS)	Cyndie M. Wilby (TC)	

ABSENTEE BALLOT EARLY PREPARATION JUDGES OF ELECTION

Nancy Fields (TF)	Dawn Gandalf (TF)	Valerie Hoynacki (TF)
Sandra True (TF)	Suzanne Wallace	Ginger Ward
Nancy Wedemeyer (TF)		

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Sanders County Solid Waste Replacement Letter of Conditions for Solid Waste Application CFDA No. 10.760. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the NorthWestern Energy Customer Agreement and Quotation's for No. 25082766, 25083326 and 25083328. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 2:10 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$84,477.07. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
April 2, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Morgan Hirschenberger, Vice President/Employee Benefits Consultant, PayneWest Insurance to discuss: an employee insurance benefits proposal. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR); Katherine Maudrone, Sanders County (SC) Health Insurance (HI)/Benefits Committee (BC) and Lisa Wadsworth, SC HI/BC.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: cash in lieu of benefits. Further discussion was held on the County contracting out to have the tax bills printed.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Montana Association of Counties (MACo) Workers' Compensation Trust amended By-Laws and Joint Powers Agreement. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the MACo Property & Casualty Trust amended By-Laws and Joint Powers Agreement. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Bruce Sterling, Biologist, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP); Troy Hinck, Warden, Montana FWP and Ryan Kreiner, Fisheries Biologist, Montana FWP for the regular quarterly Wildlife Meeting. Bruce Sterling touched base on the following: 26 Wolves harvested (included trapping) in Sanders County, 21 Mountain Lions harvested in Sanders County. Mr. Sterling will be conducting helicopter surveys around April 18-20, 2019. Mr. Sterling advised the number of Elk permits provided might be lowered to 200 due to the third hard year on the Elk population. Troy Hinck, discussed the following: ice fishing was great this year. Mr. Hinck is also covering Lincoln County territory due to a Warden vacancy. Ryan Kreiner discussed the following: the NorthWestern Energy Dam fish ladder is now open. Rainbow Trout is a primary fish coming through the ladder since the opening. Mr. Kreiner started shocking Walleye as of yesterday and have noted an abundance of 4-year old Walleye.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of HR to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 95 days without incident. Open County Positions: Detention/Bailiff/ Transport Officer, two applicants will be interviewed on April 10, 2019. Fair Manager, two applicants will be interviewed shortly. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, two applicants will be

interviewed shortly. Deputy Clerk of Court, will be conducting interviews shortly. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, posted externally until Thursday, April 11, 2019. Maintenance Supervisor, posted externally until April 15, 2019. Further discussion was held on the Maintenance department and a list of duties that Mr. Wallace is in the process of completing due to the open position.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
April 4, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: preliminary plat for Moose Hollow Northwest, Northeast and Southeast. Ms. Maudrone provided the preliminary Minor Plat, Proposed Conditions, Summary of Probable Impact, and Supplemental Material for Moose Hollow NW Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the conditional preliminary approval with the following conditions and adopting the attached findings of fact and conclusions for Moose Hollow Northwest: 1) That 30 foot easement along Trout Creek Road be granted to Sanders County and noted on the face of the final plat to create standard half width right-of-way for a full width road easement for county roads. 2) That a controlled-access easement be established on the Trout Creek Road frontage of these lots noting that a road/driveway approach permit must be obtained from the County prior to beginning any work, with the County requiring shared approaches. 3) That this subdivision files a Waiver of the Right to Protest a Rural Special Improvement District for the construction, maintenance and other improvements, including but not limited to dust abatement, snow plowing and blading, of roads with final plat. 4) That an approach permit be approved for the proposed private road off Trout Creek Road prior to final plat approval. 5) That the Trout Creek Post Office be contacted for requirement of an off-roadway area for centralized rural mail delivery outside public road easements and designate this on the final plat or subsequent final plats. Maintenance of this area must be addressed in the road maintenance agreement. 6) That the subdivider contact the Sanders County Land Services Department for a Noxious Weed and Revegetation Plan and complete initial treatment prior to final plat approval. 7) That the subdivision complies with the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations for Fire Protection. The exact method of compliance must be determined and met prior to final plat approval. 8) That all lot owners be educated, possibly addressing covenants, on living with wildlife and managing your property for wildlife protection. 9) That the final subdivision shall comply with all requirements of the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations, Sanders County Wastewater Regulations, and the laws and administrative rules of the State of Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Maudrone provided the preliminary Minor Plat, Proposed Conditions, Summary of Probable Impact, and Supplemental Material for Moose Hollow NE Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the conditional preliminary approval with the following conditions and adopting the attached findings of fact and conclusions for Moose Hollow Northeast: 1) That 30 foot easement along Trout Creek Road and South Hill Road be granted to Sanders County and noted on the face of the final plat to create standard half width right-of-way for a full width road easement for county roads. 2) That a controlled-access easement be established on the Trout Creek Road and South Hill Road frontage of these lots noting on the face of the plat that a road/driveway approach permit must be obtained from the County prior to beginning any work, with the County requiring shared approaches. 3) That this subdivision files a Waiver of the Right to Protest a Rural Special Improvement District for the construction, maintenance and other improvements, including but not limited to dust abatement, snow plowing and blading, of

roads with final plat. 4) That an approach permit be approved for the proposed private access road off Trout Creek Rd. prior to final plat approval. 5) That the Trout Creek Post Office be contacted for requirement of an off-roadway area for centralized rural mail delivery outside public road easements and designate this on the final plat. Maintenance of this area must be addressed in the road maintenance agreement. 6) That the subdivider contact the Sanders County Land Services Department for a Noxious Weed and Revegetation Plan and complete initial treatment prior to final plat approval. 7) That the subdivision complies with the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations for Fire Protection. The exact method of compliance must be determined and met prior to final plat approval. 8) That all lot owners be educated, possibly addressing in covenants, on living with wildlife and managing your property for wildfire protection. 9) That the final subdivision shall comply with all requirements of the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations, Sanders County Wastewater Regulations, and the laws and administrative rules of the State of Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Ms. Maudrone provided the preliminary Minor Plat, Proposed Conditions, Summary of Probable Impact, and Supplemental Material for Moose Hollow SE Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the conditional preliminary approval with the following conditions and adopting the attached findings of fact and conclusions for Moose Hollow Southeast: 1) That 30 foot easement along South Hill Road be granted to Sanders County and noted on the face of the final plat to create standard half width right-of-way for a full width road easement for county roads. 2) That a controlled-access easement be established on the South Hill Road frontage of these lots noting on the face of the plat that a Road/driveway approach permit must be obtained from the County prior to beginning any work with the County requiring shared approaches. 3) That this subdivision files a Waiver of the Right to Protest a Rural Special Improvement District for the construction, maintenance and other improvements of roads, including but not limited to dust abatement, snow plowing and blading, of roads with final plat. 4) That an approach permit be approved for the proposed private access road off South Hill Road prior to final plat approval. 5) That the Trout Creek Post Office be contacted for requirement of an off-roadway area or centralized rural mail delivery outside public road easements and designate this on the final plat. Maintenance of this area must be addressed in the road maintenance agreement. 6) That the subdivider contact the Sanders County Land Services Department for a Noxious Weed and Revegetation Plan and complete initial treatment prior to final plat approval. 7) That the subdivision complies with the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations for Fire Protection. The exact method of compliance must be determined and met prior to final plat approval. 8) That all lot owners be educated, possibly addressing in covenants, on living with wildlife and managing your property for wildfire protection. 9) That the final subdivision shall comply with all requirements of the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations, Sanders County Wastewater Regulations, and the laws and administrative rules of the State of Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance was Shawn Rowland, Rowland Environmental Consulting, LLC.

The Board adjourned at 11:00 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the County contracting out to have the tax bills printed. The Board has consensus to execute the Customer Service Agreement between the Sanders County Treasurer and Billing Document Specialists for the pricing for print and mailing of the County tax notices.

The Board met with Shelley Murphy, Marketing Coordinator, Montana Association of Counties (MACo) Healthcare Trust (HCT) and Pam Walling, MACo HCT to discuss: an insurance quote from MACo to Sanders County. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources; Katherine Maudrone, Sanders County (SC) Health Insurance (HI)/Benefits Committee (BC); Lisa Wadsworth, SC HI/BC; Karen Morey, SC HI/BC and Tristan Franck, SC HI/BC.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: Statistics are as follows: DLI an industrial hygiene consultant has been requested for the propylene glycol leak in the Courthouse. DLI will research propylene glycol exposure to determine whether site assessment and sampling is necessary. Food grading, a few inspections have occurred since the County started posting grades on inspections and has already improved the inspection process. Inspections- 174 licensed establishments, Temporary Events- 40 so far in fiscal year 2019, Soil/Site Analyses- 5 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 79 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Water/Well Permits- 52 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Local Subdivision Reviews- 31 so far in fiscal year 2019, Junk Vehicles- 35 vehicles so far in fiscal year 2019 and Food Training, 1 class completed in 2019 and one more planned in fiscal year 2019.

The Board met with Gary Hablutzel, President, Innovative Benefit Plans, LLC to discuss: Joint Powers Trust (JPT) and Employee Benefit Management Services (EBMS) Health Insurance proposed renewal rates. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources; Katherine Maudrone, Sanders County (SC) Health Insurance (HI)/Benefits Committee (BC); Lisa Wadsworth, SC HI/BC; Karen Morey, SC HI/BC and Tristan Franck, SC HI/BC.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the County adopting a proposed dog ordinance. The Board has consensus to review the rough draft of the ordinance at the County Attorney's next scheduled meeting with the Board. Further discussion was held on training that Ms. Leisz is requesting for the County Attorney's office on the new Application Data Systems, Inc. (ADSi) software that the Sheriff's office has obtained.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve March 19-20th, 2019 and March 26 & 28th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA April 9, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 10:10 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest (NF) and Jared Koskela, Engineer, Lolo NF to discuss: land projects, timber sales, recreation and FS roads in the Lolo NF. Jared Koskela presented the Revised Schedule A Agreement and Maintenance Plan Agreement for April 9, 2019. The Board has consensus to approve the Revised Schedule A Agreement and Maintenance Plan Agreement for April 9, 2019. Also in attendance were: Ban Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 and Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 102 days without incident. Open County Positions: Detention/Bailiff/ Transport Officer, interviews scheduled for April 10, 2019. Fair Manager, interviews with the Fair Board will be conducted on April 11, 2019. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, interviews with the Fair Board will be conducted on April 11, 2019. Deputy Clerk of Court, in the process of completing a background check on the proposed candidate for the position. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, external posting closes on April 11, 2019. Maintenance Supervisor, external posting closes April 15, 2019. 911 Dispatcher, Mr. Wallace proposed for an additional part-time position per the request made by Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention/Dispatch. Deputy Coroner, the Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for a pay increase for James Alexander. Mr. Wallace provided the Vibrant Sound Works, Inc. Industrial Hearing Conservation Agreement. The Board has consensus for Commissioner Cox to execute the Service Agreement between Sanders County and Vibrant Sound Works, Inc. Further discussion was held on the Performance Appraisal Update and the Maintenance department duties that Mr. Wallace is in the process of completing due to the open position.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Resolution 2019-02 Bond Resolution. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Certificate as to Organization and Financial Condition of Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse District, Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the No Litigation Certificate for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District, Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Information on Number of Users for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District, Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Craig Neesvig, Property Owner requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the County passing a Dog Barking Ordinance.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

As it was 1:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox turned the Pre-Construction Meeting for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project over to Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering. Also in attendance were: Lyle Coney, Area Specialist, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD); Ray Abbot, USDA RD; Rick Hagedorn, Surveyor, Hagedorn Land Surveying; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Travis Craig, Civil Engineer; Great West Engineering; Oliver St. Clair, President, St. Clair Construction; Sydney Cataldo, Contract Administrator, St. Clair Construction; Michael Galloway, Building Superintendent, St. Clair Construction; Mike Thilmony, First Security Bank and Karen Sanchez, State Engineer, USDA RD (via teleconference at 1:55 p.m.). Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Agreement between St. Clair Construction, Inc. and Sanders County for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Solid Waste Improvements Project Construction Contract. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the Sanders County Capital Improvements Planning Update provided by Robert Peccia and Associates. Further discussion was held on the Sanders County Park Commission and Riverside Park's ongoing maintenance.

The Board adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
April 11, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Glen Cameron, Missoula District Traffic Engineer, Montana Department of Transportation (MDOT) to discuss: the speed limit study requested by the Board, along MT 135 from Camp Bighorn at milepost 18.5 to Quinns Hot Springs Resort near milepost 19.5. Mr. Cameron advised that neither Camp Bighorn nor Quinns Hot Springs Resort generate enough continuous "friction" in which to support a reduced speed limits based on the study's results. From an engineer standpoint MDOT recommends no change in the speed limits. Also in attendance was: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District current Cash Report; Deputy Treasurer Job Description and upcoming budget meetings for fiscal year 2019/2020.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the proposed ordinance for the control of barking dogs in Sanders County. Ms. Leisz will provide a draft to the Board so that a Notice of

Public Hearing can be published in the Sanders County Ledger. Further discussion was held on Energy Partners requesting to lease property from Sanders County. Ms. Leisz will draw up a lease between Energy Partners and Sanders County.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Chad Campbell, Regional Director Northwest Montana, U.S. Senator Jon Tester's office to discuss: an update on Sanders County's current projects. Further discussion was held on Secure Rural Schools (SRS).

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of HR to discuss: Performance Management Appraisals. The proposed target date for Department Heads to start implementation is July 2019. Further discussion was held on Open County Positions: Detention/Bailiff/Transport Officer, Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Chantal Billmeyer for the part-time Detention/Bailiff/ Transport Officer position. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Deputy Clerk of Court, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Miriam Smith for the part-time Deputy Clerk of Court position. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Resolution 2019- Loan Resolution (Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project). Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 132 between Sanders County and Anthony Kolodziej. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve April 2 & 4th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools met with the Board to continue discussion from earlier in the morning on: upcoming budget meetings for fiscal year 2019/2020.

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 3:45 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$111,208.30. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA April 17, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member (joined the Board at 10:10 a.m.); Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary and Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve March 20, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Jason Peterson discussed the increase of yard waste. Mr. Peterson advised the SW Refuse Disposal District is hauling two containers a day of yard waste. Mr. Peterson was approached by Mark Riffle, Mr. Riffle requested the County's yard waste be

dumped at his property so he can utilize for compost. Commissioner Cox recommended hauling the yard waste to a County gravel pit for reclamation purposes. Mr. Peterson requested the purchase of two containers for SW. The Board has consensus for Mr. Peterson to order one container at this time. Kathy Conlin provided an update on the Business Assessment. Mrs. Conlin is 2/3 of the way completed with submitted forms. Recycling Report: 15 bales of Cardboard, 5 bales and 20 yards loose of Aluminum Cans, 50 yards of Metal Pile and 4 pallets of Batteries. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of HR to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 110 days without incident. Open County Positions: Fair Manager, the Sanders County Fair Commission meets tonight to make a decision on the interviewed candidates. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, applications are being reviewed for interviews. Maintenance, in the process of restructuring the job description. 911 Dispatcher (part-time), posted externally on Monday, April 15, 2019. Further discussion was held on the Sanders County Health Insurance/Benefits Committee meeting on Friday, April 19, 2019 to discuss the two insurance benefit proposals. Mr. Wallace reminded the Board he would like to start department head implementation of the Performance Appraisals on July 1, 2019.

Ron Catlett, Northwest Field Representative, Senator Daines office requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Secure Rural Schools (SRS) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service's processed payments to the states with the 6.2% sequestration reduction. Further discussion was held on the National Bison Range and the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) Water Compact vs People's Compact.

The Board adjourned at 12:50 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

As it was 2:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Sanders County Board of Health (BOH) Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E, Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Dr. Robert Gregg, Member; Dr. Jack Lulack, Member; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Tina Scott, Administrative Assistant/Environmental Health; Jill Lundstrom, Nurse, Public Health; Sandra Gubel, Tobacco Prevention Specialist and Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management. Dr. Gregg motioned to approve January 16, 2019 meeting minutes and March 6, 2019 special meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Jill Lundstrom provided an updated Communicable Disease Surveillance Protocol. Commissioner Brooker motioned for the BOH to execute the Communicable Disease Surveillance Protocol. Dr. Gregg seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Ms. Lundstrom and Mr. Naegeli provided an overview of the Salmonella Tabletop Exercise that was conducted on March 20, 2019. Discussion was held on a Public Information Officer (PIO) for Sanders County's Emergency Reporting. Further updates were given on Influenza in Sanders County. As of yet there have been 49 cases in Sanders County. Sandra Gubel advised at the request of the Sanders County Attorney, Thompson Falls, Montana City Judge and the Thompson Falls School District Resource Officer a program is in the works to educate teens on minors in possession of Tobacco. A minor in possession would be able to choose an education program and a small fine versus a large fine for an offense. The Office of Public Instruction's Kris Minard will present e-cigarette education at Plains Junior and High School on April 29, 2019. Upcoming activities included Thompson Falls Beautification Days April 25-27th, 2019 where Public Health will pick up cigarette butts at certain locations in Thompson Falls, MT and May 10th, 2019 a course on Mental Health First Aid will be presented in the Sanders County Courthouse by the Montana State University Extension. Shawn Sorenson provided the flood plain regulations for review to determine whether changes in local wastewater regulations are necessary. Mr. Sorenson requested the BOH also review the current site evaluation practices to determine whether changes are required. Mr. Sorenson held discussion on the City of Thompson Falls, Montana and the BOH consider discussion on more cooperative management of Thompson Falls wastewater between the City of Thompson Falls, Montana, the Department of Environmental Quality and Sanders County. The Board has consensus that the City of Thompson Falls Council needs to be a part of the Variance process. Mr. Sorenson will coordinate with the City. Commissioner Magera requested the City execute the Wastewater permits. Further discussion was held on the McNaughton wastewater system. Mr. Sorenson will send an additional letter stating that the installation is not approved and will not be approved until all required items are fully corrected or provided. The Montana Bureau of Mines, Groundwater Assessment Program will be conducting an aquifer characterization study in Sanders County starting in the summer of 2019. The perspective is to identify and describe the aquifers of importance at this scale. Specifically, the program will be interested in visiting wells completed in the surrounding fractured bedrock system, as well as the shallow and deep alluvial deposits. They will seek to understand the relationship between all three, general groundwater flow patterns within each, and to describe the water quality of each. There was no unfinished business. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Underground Electric Power Line Easement between Sanders County and Northwestern Corporation d/b/a Northwestern Energy for the County's property located at 5376 MT Hwy 200 Thompson Falls, MT 59873. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 131 between Sanders County and Lidia Gyorf. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
April 18, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Amended Lot 1 COS 3477RB. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve the final plat of Amended Lot 1 COS 3477RB. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Ms. Maudrone advised she will schedule a public hearing for the abandonment and amended plat for R.J. Demers Additions 2, 3, 4 & 5 to Hot Springs, Montana. Ms. Maudrone discussed the Trout Creek Water District and the Capital Improvement Plan update. The Trout Creek Water District does need to update their mapping data of the district. The Board has consensus for the County GIS/Rural Addressing department to collect the mapping data for the water district in Trout Creek, Montana. Further discussion was held on the Old Jail Museum in Plains, MT that is owned by Sanders County.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the first reading of the proposed Ordinance to Control Barking Dogs within Sanders County and to Establish Procedures for Enforcement. The Board requested changes be made to the proposed ordinance prior to the second reading and public hearing to be held on Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Further discussion was held on the Lease Agreement between Sanders County and Energy Partners.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

As it was 2:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, the Board proceeded to open the sealed bids received for Asphalt, Culvert and Bands, Magnesium Chloride and Road Oil. Also in attendance was Mitzi Hart, Knerr, Inc. An Asphalt bid was received from Knerr, Inc. Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the 2019 Asphalt bid to Knerr, Inc. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Culvert and Bands, one bid was received from TrueNorth Steel. Commissioner Magera motioned to take the Culvert and Bands bid under advisement until Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Road Oil bids were received from Idaho Asphalt Supply, Inc. and Western States Asphalt. Commissioner Magera motioned to take the Road Oil bids under advisement until Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Magnesium Chloride bids were received from We Dust Control & De-Icing, Inc., Dustbusters Inc. and Lyman Dust Control Inc. (stating they are not able to submit a bid). Commissioner Brooker motioned to take the

Magnesium Chloride bids under advisement until Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: weight limits. Mr. Bache advised Road Districts No. 1 & 2 weight limits will be lifted on Monday, April 22, 2019 except District No. 1: Lower Lynch Creek and Lyla Lane and District No. 2: West Road and Little Bitterroot are still in effect on 300 lbs. per inch tire width, till further notice. Also in attendance was Lori Methgen, GIS/Rural Addressing.

The Board met with Lori Methgen, GIS/Rural Addressing to discuss: Ms. Methgen is relocating to Nevada and is providing notice of her upcoming resignation. Ms. Methgen would like to provide training for her position once it has been filled.

Gerry Campbell and Kathy Ferguson requested to meet with the Board as they were not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Noxon Senior Center. The Board sent a letter on today's date to the Noxon Senior Center in regards to numerous requests for assistance from a letter that was sent out from the Noxon Senior Center advising senior's to provide proof of appointments and mileage reimbursements to the Noxon Senior Center. The letter from the Noxon Senior Center to seniors lacked an effective date and clear understanding on what type of form should be provided to the Noxon Senior Center for reimbursement.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
April 23, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Shannon Shanholtzer, PCT/WCT Trust Administrator, Montana Association of Counties (MACo); Dave Montelius, Vice President PayneWest Insurance and Anita Altmaier, Senior Account Manager, PayneWest Insurance to discuss: the 2019-2020 Property & Casualty and Workers' Compensation Policy renewals for Sanders County. Also in attendance were: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Lisa Wadsworth, Accounts Payable/Claims, Clerk and Recorder and Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: amended Resolution 2018-25. Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt amended Resolution 2018-25 A Resolution Adopting a Sanders County Capital Improvements Plan. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on the Riverside Park in Plains, Montana and the continuing maintenance on the vault toilet. Ms. Maudrone will follow up with the Lolo National Forest to see who their contract is with to clean the forest service vault toilets.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: Sysco Food Services and their delivery to the Sheriff's office. Mrs. Scribner will follow up with the billing department supervisor.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant, reimbursements are received fairly regularly. The Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant first reimbursement request was submitted, the County has not received payment as of yet. Mr. Naegeli advised there is a licensed

Hamm Radio group in Sanders County and a backup transmission frequency would be available in case Sanders County ever needed it.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

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BY: _____, Secretary
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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
April 24, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Commissioner Magera as Acting Presiding Officer while Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer is absent. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Acting Presiding Officer Glen E. Magera examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the accounting periods of March 2019. Further discussion was held on delinquent Mobile Home and Personal Taxes. Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-04 A Resolution Ordering the Cancellation of Mobile Home and Personal Taxes that have been Delinquent from 1996-2014. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Resolution 2019-05. Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-05 Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Special Deputy County Attorney. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Ms. Leisz discussed the proposed Lease Agreement between Sanders County and Energy Partners. Commissioner Brooker will follow up with the additional information required from Energy Partners that is needed for the lease agreement. Further discussion was held on Road District No. 3's shop that sustained fire damage. The Board has consensus that MCA § 7-5-2304 *Exemptions from Competitive Bidding Requirements* and 7-5-2304 (2) (*purchases that, in the opinion of the governing body, are made necessary by fire, flood, explosion, storm, earthquake, other elements, epidemic, or riot or insurrection; for the immediate preservation or order or the public health; for the restoration of a condition of usefulness that has been destroyed by accident, wear, tear, or mischief or for the relief of a stricken community overtaken by calamity*) pertains to the Road District No. 3 shop.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 117 days without incident. Open County Positions: Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, external opening reposted until May 13, 2019. Heavy Equipment Operator Road District No. 1, interviews scheduled for April 30, 2019. 911 Dispatcher (part-time), posted externally until April 29, 2019. Rural Addressing/GIS/ IT Coordinator, posted externally until May 7, 2019.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Gary Hablutzel, President, Innovative Benefit Plans, LLC (via teleconference) to discuss: an updated Joint Powers Trust (JPT) and Employee Benefit Management Services (EBMS) Health Insurance proposal. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of HR; Katherine Maudrone, Sanders County (SC) Health Insurance (HI)/Benefits Committee (BC) and Ben Bache, SC HI/BC.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

As it was after the time and place as advertised for the decision on the Culvert and Bands; Magnesium Chloride and Road Oil bids, Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the 2019 Culvert and Bands bid to TrueNorth Steel. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Magnesium Chloride: Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the 2019 Magnesium Chloride bid to Dustbusters, Inc. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Road Oil: Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the 2019 Road Oil bid to Idaho Asphalt Supply, Inc. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance was Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve April 9 & 11th, 2019 and April 17-18th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Lisa Koker, Deputy Treasurer to discuss: a policy and procedure for delinquent Mobile Home and Personal Taxes in Sanders County. Also in attendance were: Theresa Milner, Office Administrator, Sheriff and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator.

The Board adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer

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The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land services to discuss: Sanders County Airport Affected Area Permit No. 2019-01. Ms. Maudrone presented the permit as well as the findings and conditions. There was no public present. There was no public comment. Ms. Maudrone executed the permit. Commissioner Cox executed Permit No. 2019-01 as the Applicant for Sanders County.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: the Alexander wastewater failure. A project summary was sent to the Montana Association of Counties (MACo) following discussion with the County's MACo Claims representative. MACo is reviewing the claim at this time. Further discussion was held on new businesses in Sanders County. Inspections- 177 licensed establishments, Temporary Events- 40 so far in fiscal year 2019, Soil/site Analyses- 8 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 84 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Water/well Permits- 53 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Local Subdivision Reviews- 33 so far in fiscal year 2019, Junk Vehicles- 35 vehicles so far in fiscal year 2019 and Food Training, an additional class is planned for fiscal year 2019.

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The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Brooker joined the Board at 1:40 p.m.

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The Board has consensus to execute the agreement between Sanders County and Michael Smale for Mr. Smale to provide mowing services to the LaRue-Hot Springs Museum.

Commissioner Brooker advised she would be abstaining from voting as she is a member on the Joint Powers Trust Board. Commissioner Magera motioned to award the County employee health insurance to Blue Cross Blue Shield through PayneWest Insurance. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Notice to Proceed for St. Clair Construction, Inc. for the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board has consensus to request Great West Engineering and St. Clair Construction, Inc. to evaluate a rehabilitation proposal for the Road District No. 3 Shop due to fire damage that occurred in January of 2019.

The Board met with Mike Baxter, First Security Bank of Missoula to discuss: the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA). Mr. Baxter advised the CRA is a United States federal law to encourage commercial banks and savings associations to help meet the needs of borrowers in all segments of their communities, including low- and moderate- income neighborhoods. Mr. Baxter inquired with the Board as to the future of Sanders County, work force situation, infrastructure, housing and if the County has a growth policy. The Board advised the County does not have a growth policy but instead has a Capital Improvements Plan, which the County just recently updated for the water districts.

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
May 9, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 10:10 a.m.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Public Hearing on the Petition to abandon portions of platted street and alley right-of-ways within Blocks 1 of R.J. DeMers Additions 4 & 5 of Hot Springs, Sanders County, Montana. In attendance were: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox turned the meeting over to Ms. Maudrone. Ms. Maudrone presented the petition as well as the staff report supporting the abandonment. Commissioner Magera presented his approval of the petition for abandonment. Commissioner Brooker advised she was in support of the petition to abandon. Commissioner Cox closed the hearing at 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve the abandonment and adoption of Resolution 2019-06 A Resolution to Abandon Alley and Road Easements Located within Block's 1 R.J. DeMers Additions 4 & 5 of Hot Springs, Sanders County, Montana. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

As it was the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Public Hearing on the application by Laurence Walchuk to amend final plat of R.J. DeMers Additions 2, 3, 4, & 5 of Hot Springs, Sanders County, Montana. Also in attendance were: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator. Ms. Maudrone presented her staff recommendation on the approval of the proposed amendments and adoption of her staff summary, findings, determination and conclusion. Commissioner Cox closed the hearing at 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Brooker motioned to take the application under advisement until the final documents are prepared. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the document of Disclaimer of Interest for the existing easement and roads for Carl Burns. Commissioner Magera motioned to disclaim interest in the 400 ft. wide strip of Northern Pacific Railway right-of-way in Government Lot 2, Section 32, Township 26 North, Range 32 West. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance was Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator. Ms. Maudrone advised the Board that the Sanders County Park Commission hired Manford Tempero to bring a handicapped porta potty to Riverside Park in Plains, MT, in place of opening the public vault toilet. Mr. Tempero will provide the porta potty, pump the toilet as needed and will clean the toilet once a week. Further discussion was held on the Lease between Sanders County and Energy Partners. Ms. Leisz and Ms. Maudrone made corrections, additions and added clarifications where needed. Ms. Leisz will provide a final lease to Ms. Maudrone.

As it was 11:30 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the meeting for the decision on an Ordinance to Control Barking Dogs within Sanders County and to Establish Procedures for Enforcement. In attendance were: Cheryl Godfrey; Cathy Mills; David Mills; William Kenyon; Melinda Bierwagen; Dan Briggs; Kathy Warrington; Neal Rash Sr.; Karen Rash; Mary Reed; Jean LaBelle; Sandra Gibson; Ken Chumbley; Edgar A Farmer; Paul Meadows; Ronnie Davis; Shawna Thornton; Violet Davis; Anna Ballweber; Daryl Ballweber; Carl Marquardt, Clerk/Restitution Officer, Justice Court; Roy Scott, Deputy Sheriff and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox presented the Ordinance to Control Barking Dogs within Sanders County and to Establish Procedures for Enforcement. Public comments as follows: Edgar Farmer, has hounds and believes that with the ordinance in place he will have to dispose his hounds. Cheryl Godfrey, can you after proven innocent of a complaint sue the complainant. William Kenyon, what happens if you receive a warning letter and correct your dog(s) behavior and a year or two later the Sheriff's office comes to your residence. Do you get another warning or a first offense. Melinda Bierwagen, in support of the ordinance. I have lived on Blue Slide Road in Thompson Falls, MT for 30+ years and now have a neighbor that has many dogs that bark incessantly. We are unable to have our windows open on summer nights due to the constant barking of the dogs. We have no peace and quiet. I do not know if they are a licensed boarding facility but will find out. I fully support this ordinance. Ken Chumbley, I live down Thompson River Road and I have llamas and have spent thousands of dollars on my dogs to protect my animals. I find this ordinance ridiculous. Ronnie Davis, I joined the military to protect our freedom. I do not support this ordinance. This ordinance is taking our freedoms away. Ms. Godfrey, we have a dog that barks to protect our animals. Mrs. Bierwagen, my freedom is to be able to sleep at night. We had dogs that barked at animals as well. There is a difference between a dog that barks at predators and dogs that bark incessantly. This ordinance is for dogs that bark non-stop. Carl Marquardt, I am in support of this ordinance. There is a difference between barking dogs and nuisance barking dogs. David Mills, I live on Blue Slide Road in Thompson Falls, MT we have dogs and a public trail that runs alongside our property line. Our dogs bark at people who go by our property. I believe people will complain about our dogs with this ordinance. I adamantly oppose the ordinance. Cathy Mills, concerned about the language in 2. 3) of the proposed ordinance. I am concerned about habitual liars. We live in the county for our freedoms. Mr. Marquardt, if you are cited you have the right to appear and explain yourself before the court. Kathy Warrington, I have freedoms too, and a dog. This is not for dogs that bark as a warning. This is for dogs that bark for no reason incessantly. Ms. Godfrey, what about cats that pee on everyone else's property. Mr. Chumbley, I have tried to work with my neighbor. My neighbor won't take care of his property but will complain about mine. Mr. Mills I have no control over the trail that goes by my property. So how can I control my dogs. Dan Briggs, has a couple concerns on the proposed ordinance 1) law is very broad on "incessantly." 2) If you can prove your innocence on a complaint filed against you there should be checks and balances. Anna Ballweber, your rights end where mine begins. Ms. Ballweber would like the ordinance to be on a ballot for the County to vote for or against. Karen Rash, it is important to keep our freedoms. Commissioner Cox, you keep quoting me in your accusations that another citizen has made. Mrs. Rash read the penalty: violations of any part of this ordinance will constitute a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the Sanders County Jail not exceeding ten (10) days or by a minimum fine of \$50.00 or maximum fine of \$500.00, or both, unless a specific penalty for the violation is defined by this ordinance. There should be due process. Our dogs don't bark. I invite anyone of you to sit outside my gate to watch and listen to my dogs. Other dogs across the street bark and my neighbors blame it on our dogs. Our dogs are purebred Aussie's and they were taught not to bark. We only have 6 dogs even though our neighbors say we have 11 or 12. We moved from California so that we could have freedoms. I disagree with this ordinance. Jean LaBelle, the definition for nuisance barking is too broad. Also, does not specify times of barking. Witness could be a spouse, there is no recourse or appeals process. Neil Rash, people lied about our dogs, this dog ordinance is a bad deal. Ms. Warrington, what is the law for public hearings. Commissioner Cox, advised by Montana law the County follows MCA § 7-1-2121. Mrs. Bierwagen, thank you for taking the time to listen even though you didn't have to because a public hearing was already held on this matter. I appreciate the conduct log to show a pattern. Mary Reed why doesn't

the County put this on the next ballot or print out flyers. Commissioner Brooker advised the Board of Commissioners cannot put items on the ballot. Residents of the County would need to go through that process and they would start with a discussion with the County Attorney. To print flyers for every resident in Sanders County it would cost taxpayers at least \$5,000.00. Mr. Farmer, is not speaking with his neighbors and finds this ordinance will be a problem. Mr. Kenyon, this ordinance seems one sided, there should be due process. Ms. Ballweber, define prolonged period of time. I have neighbors that have a dog that wanders around the neighborhood and a solution for them was to now have the dog on a run. The dog is now on a run and barks all the time and Ms. Ballweber is constantly telling the dog to be quiet. Mr. Rash, votes no on this ordinance. This is infringing on our rights. Shawna Thornton, believes the intention of this ordinance is for neglected dogs. Not for working/specific dogs. Paul Meadows, the ordinance is not for the rights of this nation and the people. The Board advised this matter is still under advisement.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 1:40 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$178,647.09. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board adjourned at 1:40 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 2:45 p.m.

Commissioner Cox did not join the Board at 2:45 p.m.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 3:00 p.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 132 days without incident. Mr. Wallace advised Dave Montelius, PayneWest Insurance is provided the Courthouse, Sheriff's office, and Road Districts on Thursday, May 16, 2019 with pizza due to being without incident for over 100 days. Also in attendance was Naomi Leisz, County Attorney- Public Administrator. Ms. Leisz and Mr. Wallace held discussion with the Board on the staffing model for the County Attorney's office. Mr. Wallace will assist Ms. Leisz with an office assessment. Open County Positions: Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, externally posted until May 13, 2019. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, will repost the open position. Maintenance Supervisor, reposted the open position externally until May 16, 2019. 911 Dispatcher (part-time), interviews will be conducted on May 14, 2019. Rural Addressing/GIS/IT Coordinator, interviews will be conducted on May 14, 2019. Montana State University Extension Administrative Assistant, will post the open position soon with a start date of August 1, 2019 for the new hire. Mr. Wallace advised Blue Cross Blue Shield initial open enrollment will be on May 15-16th, 2019 for County employees. Further discussion was held on current projects and activities that are underway in the Maintenance Department.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to reappoint Pat Kelly to the Sanders County Weed District for a two year term. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve April 30, 2019 and May 2, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
May 14, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest to discuss: land projects, timber sales, recreation and forest service roads in the Lolo NF that would be open to the public for firewood gathering. Also in attendance were: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services and Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management.

The Board met with Steve Kimball, Local Government Forest Advisor, MT Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC); Greg Poncin, Area Manager Northwestern Lands Office, DNRC and Dave Olsen, Unit Manager Plains, MT, DNRC to discuss: Mr. Kimball as a new resource for the County in the County's engagement with the federal lands forest management. As well as how the local DNRC can support the County collaboration with the federal agencies. Also in attendance were: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services and Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to reappoint Alan Dettwiler to the Sanders County Weed District for a two year term. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Pay Request No. 9 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to appoint Mike Nichols to the Thompson Falls Airport Advisory Board for a three year term. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board conducted an interview at 2:00 p.m. for the open Rural Addressing/GIS/IT Coordinator position.

The Board conducted an interview at 4:00 p.m. for the open Rural Addressing/GIS/IT Coordinator position.

The Board adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
May 15, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Jen Kreiner, Executive Director, Sanders County Community Development Corporation; Billie Lee, Executive Director (Interim), Lake County Community Development Corporation (LCCDC) and Marie Hirsch, Center Director, LCCDC to discuss: Sanders County in conjunction with Sanders County Community Development Corporation applying for a grant to receive a countywide housing assessment. Discussion was held on employers in the County

that would support the County obtaining a housing assessment and would find it beneficial to their workforce. Also in attendance were: Jim Jacobson, Sanders County Community Housing Organization; Mike Thilmony, First Security Bank; Dan Claridge, Thompson River Lumber and Dr. Greg Hanson, Clark Fork Valley Hospital. Dr. Greg Hanson and Mr. Mike Thilmony inquired as to what would the housing assessment entail. Billie Lee advised a housing assessment typically compiles and evaluates demographic data, current housing inventory and characteristics, government policies and incentives, and the adequacy and availability of selected community services, as well as collecting the input of area stakeholders and residents. The assessment concludes with quantifying the number of housing units needed, price point and market type. The assessment usually provides recommendations on how to achieve certain housing goals and will provide recommendations on how to achieve those goals. Commissioner Cox inquired as to what is an opportunity zone. Billie Lee, an Opportunity Zone is a low income community where new investments, under certain conditions, may be eligible for preferential tax treatment. Jen Kreiner, Sanders County is a Qualified Opportunity Zone.

As it was 10:25 a.m. and was after the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary, Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk, Recycling Assistant. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve April 17, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Mr. Stan Hopkins advised he was appealing the refuse appeal denied previously on April 25, 2018 for Tax ID No. 6001 and 330443. Commissioner Brooker and Kathy Conlin advised Mr. Hopkins on his Real Property Tax and his Mobile Home Property Tax Statement and why he has a Solid Waste Refuse Disposal Fee on each statement. The Board has consensus to make no changes to Mr. Hopkins property tax statement for Tax ID No. 6001 and 330443. Jennifer Ekberg presented a refuse appeal request for Tax ID No. 1639. Commissioner Brooker motioned to remove the solid waste fee from Tax ID No. 1639. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Mrs. Ekberg presented a refuse appeal request from Tax ID No. 5680. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve the refuse appeal for Tax ID No. 5680 for three years per SW's policy and a refund amount of \$1,125.00. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Unfinished Business: Kathy Conlin provided an update on the business fee assessment. Mrs. Conlin is waiting for additional information to be provided from a private hauler and is mailing out school assessments on today's date with itemized fees to compare last year and this year. Discussion was held on raising the solid waste refuse fee on Sanders County property taxes, where meetings should take place to involve the public and how information should be disseminated. Nichol Scribner advised Mr. Peterson on how attendants at a solid waste roll off site was providing receipts. Mr. Peterson advised he would address the procedure with the SW staff. Recycling Report: 10 bales of Cardboard (13 bales of Cardboard were shipped on 4/24/2019); 5 bales and 25 yards loose of Aluminum Cans; 100 yards of Metal Pile and 4 pallets of Batteries. There was no public present. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 138 days without incident. Open Positions: Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, interviews will be conducted on Thursday, May 23, 2019. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, external posting closed May 28, 2019. Maintenance Supervisor, external posting closes May 16, 2019. 911 Dispatcher (part-time), reviewing the candidates that interviewed on May 14, 2019 for possible hire. Rural Addressing/GIS/IT, Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Ashley Blaylock starting May 20, 2019. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Montana State University Extension Administrative Assistant, will be posting the open position by the end of the week. Further discussion was held on the County employee health insurance change from Joint Powers Trust to Blue Cross Blue Shield. Mr. Wallace updated the Board on his current Maintenance Department duties.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board requested to meet with Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools as they were not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the County's cash reconciliation. Mrs. Connolly recommended out sourcing to Denning, Downing & Associates or Magda Nelson. The Board has consensus to hire Magda Nelson, Accountant. Further discussion was held on preliminary budget meetings starting July 9, 2019.

The Board met with Lori Methgen, GIS/Rural Addressing to discuss: the transition with the new employee Ashley Blaylock and Ms. Methgen's last day with the County on May 23, 2019. Ms. Methgen will set up support with Matthew Pearce, President, Mapping and Planning Specialist, Inc., to assist/train Ms. Blaylock with any GIS/Rural Addressing needs, Ken Wall, President, Geodata Services, Inc., will provide training and assistance for geographic information system services and building web maps and applications as well as the transition into Next Generation 9-1-1.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Amendment No. 1 for the Professional Services Contract for Sanders County Shop Project between Sanders County and Great West Engineering. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
May 16, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 to discuss: a dust control program. A 2019 Sanders County Dust Control Program application was drafted. The Board has consensus to provide flyers around town, articles in the local papers (Sanders County Ledger and Clark Fork Valley Press), as well as applications made available to print on the County website. Further discussion was held on the upcoming preliminary budget meetings as well as a proposed mill levy for the Road Department.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: preliminary approval of Baldy View Estates III subsequent minor subdivision. Ms. Maudrone provided the proposed preliminary Subsequent Minor Plat, Environment Assessment and Supplemental Material for Baldy View Estates III Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve the preliminary plat of Baldy View Estates III Subsequent Minor Subdivision with the following conditions: 1) That the private road, Flat Iron Road, be completed to current subdivision road standards, connecting with Marsh Lane to create a loop road and a mutual maintenance agreement, with Baldy View Estates and Flat Iron Estates filed prior to or concurrent with final plat. 2) That a Waiver of the Right to Protest a Rural Special Improvement District for the purposes of road construction, road maintenance which the County may require, be filed with final plat. 3) That the subdivider contact the Sanders County Land Services Department for a Noxious Weed and Revegetation Plan within 30 days of preliminary plat approval, provide for initial treatment of weeds and file the approved plan with final plat. 4) That the subdivision complies with the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations for Fire Protection. The exact method of compliance must be determined and met prior to final plat approval. 5) That the subdivision complies with the design standards adopted by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality and the Sanders County Wastewater Regulations. Prior to Final Plat approval all lots less than 20 acres in size must be approved by the Montana DEQ as the reviewing authority under MCA § 76-4-101. 6) That the final subdivision shall comply with all requirements of the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations, Sanders County Wastewater Regulations, and the laws and administrative rules of the State of Montana. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on the draft recommendations for Sanders County, Montana on the Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire grant received from Headwaters Economics.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator and Kim Field, Deputy County Attorney to discuss: the Lease between Sanders County and Energy Partners. Ms. Leisz will email Commissioner Brooker the final draft to provide to Energy Partners. The Board advised the decision for the Sanders County Ordinance No. 2019-01 is

scheduled for Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Also in attendance was Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources. Mr. Wallace requested that the meeting be a closed session to discuss personnel issues. Therefore, as per MCA 2-3-203 (3), this discussion was closed to the public. (Closed session minutes are sealed and on file in the office of the County Attorney)

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 11:30 a.m.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve May 9, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to reappoint Nisca Warthen to the Preston Hot Springs Town County Library Board per the recommendations provided the Preston Hot Springs Town County Library Board. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA May 21, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met to discuss the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget. Also in attendance was Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-07 Resolution Supplementing Resolution No. 2017-13 Relating to the Purchase By First Security Bank of Missoula, a Division of Glacier Bank, of Bond Anticipation Notes to be Issued by the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District in Anticipation of Issuance of a District Solid Waste Revenue Bond; Fixing the Form and Details, Making Covenants with Respect Thereto, and Authorizing the Issuance, Execution and Delivery of the Bond Anticipation Notes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the United States of America State of Montana Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District: Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Bond Anticipation Note Series 2019. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Gayle Seratt, Executive Director, Sanders County Coalition for Families (SCCF) to discuss: an update on the renewal of the SCCFF grant with the Sheriff's office. Mrs. Seratt advised there is no further monies to fund Grant No. OVW-2018-13829, which provides the reimbursement to the Sanders County Sheriff's Office for the wages for the Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Rural Detective. Further discussion was held on other possible funding opportunities to fund the detective position.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner

Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Acting Secretary

Kathy Conlin

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
May 23, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the recommendations made by Headwater Economics for Sanders County, Montana on the Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire grant. Further discussion was held on Riverside Park in Plains, MT and the setup of a porta potty by Manford Tempero of MT Septic for the Sanders County Park Commission.

As it was 11:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the meeting for the decision on Ordinance 2019-01 An Ordinance to Control Barking Dogs within Sanders County and to Establish Procedures for Enforcement. In attendance were: Greg Hinkle; Kathy Warrington; Carolyn Hidy, Clark Fork Valley Press; Steven Hardy; Ed Farmer; Gail Hinkle; Mary Reed; Kim Thompson; Neal Rash; Jeff Reed; Kim Doney; Tom Rummel, Sheriff; Annie Wooden, Sanders County Ledger; Sherri Stamm; Alan Stamm; Cheryl Godfrey; Diane McDonald; Carrie L. Hudson; Laurence Hudson; Sandra Gibson; Melinda Reed and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator. Commissioner Cox advised the citizens in the room that the Board had removed the jail time in the proposed ordinance. Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-01 An Ordinance to Control Barking Dogs within Sanders County and to Establish Procedures for Enforcement with a sunset date of June 22, 2020, one year from its effective date. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. Public comments as follows: Sheriff Rummel, dog calls do take up calls. This ordinance will be used as a tool. If you don't have any teeth in a situation people don't take you seriously. Cheryl Godfrey, I know people that live on Blue Slide Road that had a vicious dog and nothing happened to them. Diane McDonald, how do you ascertain when multiple dogs are barking. Sheriff Rummel, you would investigate. Laurence Hudson, our dogs and the neighbors dogs were barking last night for two hours because of bears. The Board advised that is what dogs are supposed to do. Kim Doney, is there not specific hours. I take my dogs out in the morning and bring them back in at 10:30 p.m., am I going to be cited if they are barking. Sheriff Rummel, your dogs have to bark incessantly, non-stop. Diane McDonald, what is an unreasonable degree. Ed Farmer, do we have an ordinance in the city. Commissioner Cox advised the cities do have their own dog ordinances. Mr. Farmer, we should take this to a vote. My neighbors have shooting ranges are we going to outlaw shooting. My dog is my line of defense. There is people that will use this against their neighbors. People moved here to get out of the city. People that moved here from California and Oregon want to change things. Mary Reed, I put a petition on Facebook and had 200 signatures in 30 hours. Can we put it on the ballot. Commissioner Brooker advised Sanders County citizens have to put it on the ballot as an initiative. The Commissioners cannot place an initiative on the ballot. Mrs. Reed, how many people is this effecting. How many calls does the Sheriff's office receive. Steve Hardy, I moved here for freedom. Our Country has too many laws. You are going to make someone give up their family member. Our dogs are our family members. Kathy Warrington, I have just as many rights as you, I have dogs too. They are like kids, they are trainable. Tom, people know that if they call you now you can't do anything about it. Sheriff Rummel, this is a tool to work with you in a reasonable way. Carolyn Hidy, explain the hours when barking is okay. Disturbing the peace does not apply to barking dogs. Commissioner Cox, in accordance with MCA § 7-23-2110, the prohibition against nuisance barking may not apply to a dog or dogs owned, kept, harbored as part of the business of licensed veterinarians or licensed boarding facilities, or an agriculture or livestock operation. Commissioner Brooker, I have neighbors that have hounds and they only bark when a predator is near or someone is walking along their fence

line. Commissioner Cox, this effects everyone. Naomi Leisz, explained public nuisance vs private nuisance. Greg Hinkle, I have lived on Cherry Creek for 30 years. The proposed nuisance dog ordinance is very well written it is not for your everyday dog. My constitutional right ends at my property. I do not have the right to adversely affect my neighbor so that he can't sleep at night. I have a cabin we rent out and a neighbor that has dogs that bark all night long. A negative comment was left on the rentals review because of the neighbors barking dogs and has effected the renting of the rental. Neighbors should have respect for their neighbors. A neighbor should not affect his neighbors sleep, finances and well-being. I strongly support this ordinance. Ms. Godfrey, I cut all my trees down and it affects you, are you going to complain and make rules/laws for that. You are going to affect your neighbor no matter what. Do you know who complains about you. If I find out who complains against me. Mr. Farmer, this should be put on the ballot. Commissioner Brooker, citizens have to put this on the ballot, this is a democracy. Greg Hinkle, the Commissioners can't put this ordinance on the ballot. Did you even hear earlier when the Commissioners put a sunset date on the ordinance. Steve Hardy, a misdemeanor if you are convicted is extreme. Commissioner Cox and Sheriff Rummel, when laws are broken they are classified: misdemeanor, felony. A speeding ticket is a misdemeanor. Steve Hardy, I didn't know that. Ms. McDonald, impounding a dog. Naomi Leisz, explains impoundment. Commissioner Cox, a deputy is an independent third party. They will investigate to substantiate claims. Mr. Farmer, what is a sunset date. Commissioner Cox, the ordinance would be in effect for one year to see if it works as a tool for the Sheriff's office and the public. Kim Thompson, how is this any different than disturbing the peace. Naomi Leisz, disturbing the peace affects the public at large, where this ordinance is individualized and is a private offense. Sheriff Rummel, the Sheriff's office needs a tool. Naomi Leisz, disorderly conduct and public nuisance have significantly more jail time and larger fines. Ms. Warrington, there is ordinances in Flathead, Lincoln, Lake and Missoula County that have stricter ordinances. Mrs. Reed, if 50% or 80% were against how would you vote. Commissioner Brooker, for example a decay ordinance was brought to the public and was not approved by the Board because there was so much public comment against the decay ordinance. Ms. Doney, we have the opportunity to put the ordinance on the ballot and another chance to address the ordinance with the sunset date. Commissioner Brooker we can amend the ordinance at any time, the Board did out due diligence with Sanders County Ordinance No. 2019-01. Presiding Officer Cox asked the Board all those in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 12:40 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met John Marshall, Coordinator, Sanders County DUI Task Force and Jennifer McPherson, Vice Chair, Sanders County DUI Task Force to discuss: the Sanders County DUI Task Force 2019/2020 annual budget and scope of work. The Board has consensus to accept the Sanders County DUI Task Force 2019/2020 annual budget and scope of work.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 2:00 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$135,772.12. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: a public meeting has been scheduled on June 5, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. for the final meeting for the 2019 update of the Sanders County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Daphne Digrindakis will provide a draft of the plan, risk assessment, and mitigation strategy. Further discussion was held on the upcoming meetings and trainings Mr. Naegeli will be attending.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 146 days without incident. Emelia McEwen, Senior Loss Control Specialist, Montana Association of Counties (MACo) and Wendy Sesselman, WCT Claims Supervisor, MACo will be conducting a Safety Evaluation with Mr. Wallace at the Courthouse on Wednesday, May 29, 2019. Open County Positions: Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Ashley Marie Fredrickson starting June 3, 2019 as the Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, reposted the open position externally until Tuesday, May 28, 2019. Maintenance Supervisor, interviews are scheduled for Thursday, May 30, 2019. 911 Dispatcher (part-time), Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Tammy Donnelly starting June 3, 2019. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Montana State University Extension Administrative Assistant, will post the open position soon with a start date of August 1, 2019 for the new hire. County Attorney's Office, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Kim Field effective June 1, 2019 for a reduction in force due to caseload reduction and a move to an independent contractor agreement. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Noxious Weed Control Agreement between Missoula, Montana Department of Transportation and Sanders County. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Master Contract from the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services for the Provision of Public Health Services by Sanders County. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 133 between Sanders County and Rory Nesbitt. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Indemnity Bond Form for Sysco Montana Inc. for warrant no. 104952. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
May 29, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Rich Wallace Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 152 days without incident. Mr. Wallace with Emelia McEwen, Senior Loss Control Specialist, Montana Associations of Counties (MACo) and Wendy Sesselman, WCT Claims Supervisor, MACo will be conducting a Safety Evaluation and review of Sanders County's Worker's Compensation Claims later on today at the Courthouse. Open County Positions: Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, applicant declined offer will repost the open position externally. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, external posting closed yesterday, May 28, 2019. Maintenance Supervisor, interviews scheduled May 30, 2019. Montana State University Extension Administrative Assistant, posted internally on today's date. Mr. Wallace advised an open enrollment meeting will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 starting at 10:00 a.m. with representation from Blue Cross/Blue Shield, AFLAC and MPERA. An update was provided on current projects and activities that Mr. Wallace is handling at the moment in the Maintenance Department and provided a daily, weekly, monthly and seasonal tasks that Mr. Wallace has established for the new Maintenance Supervisor, once hired. Mr. Wallace provided the Independent Attorney Agreement between Sanders County and Kim Field for Ms. Field to assist in the provision of advice and representation of Sanders County in civil law matters and in addition, Sanders County may periodically request the services of Ms. Field on selective criminal matters. The Board has consensus to execute the Independent Attorney Agreement between Sanders County and Kim Field. Also in attendance was Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Jen Kreiner, Executive Director, Sanders County Community Development Corporation (SCCDC) to discuss: Mrs. Kreiner's request for continued fiscal sponsorship for SCCDC.

The Board met with Tina Scott, Administrative Assistant, Environmental Health; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District to discuss: House Bill 15: An Act Revising County Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal Laws; Allowing a County to Dispose

of Nonmotorized Vehicles and Mobile Homes that are Public Nuisances or Cause Conditions of Decay; Providing Definitions; Amending Sections 61-12-402, 75-10-501, and 75-10-521, MCA; and Providing an Effective Date and Termination Date. Discussions included incentives to remove mobile homes, local contractors to hire for hauling and hauling to the Missoula Landfill.

The Board met with Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace to discuss: caseloads for the County Attorney's office, District Court and the Justice of the Peace. Mr. Dryden advised the Board that both the County Attorney's office and District Court are down on the number of cases that they process but the Justice Court caseload has significantly increased. Mr. Dryden wanted it noted that Justice Court employees do the same tasks that the County Attorney's office and District Court does with one difference being District Court has stenographers in court that take proceedings down verbatim and District Court Clerks just take notes whereas Justice Court Clerks do not have stenographers in hearings so they have to take down the entirety of the proceedings in a hearing.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Annie Wooden to the Sanders County Salary Compensation Board for a three year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Montana Reclamation and Development Aquatic Invasive Species Grant Agreement No. RITA-19-8882. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA May 30, 2019

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Payroll at 9:20 a.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$462,273.36. (County Payroll is on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, May 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services and Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: the Community Planning Assistance for Wildlife Appendix A: Recommendations to update the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations Fire-Related Provisions, Sample Fire Risk Rating Form (Sanders County, Montana May 2019), as well Mr. Naegeli taking on additional duties for fire risk assessments on subdivisions. Ms. Maudrone and Mr. Naegeli will follow up with Rich Wallace, Human Resources.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the Construction Contract between Sanders County and Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. Ms. Leisz will review the proposed contract with Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. Further discussion was held on the Thompson Falls Airport Hangar Leases as well as hangars and lot layouts at the airport. Also in attendance were: Tracy Vanicek, Plat Clerk, Clerk and Recorder and Kim Roberts, Manager, Thompson Falls Airport via teleconference.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Noxious Weed Control Agreement between Sanders County and Montana Department of Transportation, Kalispell Office. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve May 14-16th and May 21 & 23rd, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the one year extension on the Junk Vehicle Bid award to Saints Towing & Wrecker Services, LLC as well as a \$0.25 increase per loaded mile. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Communications Use Lease Authority: Section 501(a) (5) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, 43 U.S.C. 1761(a) (5) for the Clark Mountain Communication Site. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
June 5, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the public meeting for the Sanders County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Cox then turned the meeting over to Daphne Digrindakis, Senior Project Manager, Tetra Tech to provide the draft Sanders County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, which included a risk assessment, and mitigation strategy. Also in attendance were: Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management; Scott Schrenk, United States Forest Service; Jerry Lacy, Mayor, City of Thompson Falls, Montana; Callie Jacobson, Sanders County Ledger; Doug Browning, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) and Jill Lundstrom, Nurse, Public Health.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 159 days without incident. Mr. Wallace provided an overview of the Montana Association of Counties (MACo) Safety Evaluation that was conducted by Emelia McEwen, Senior Loss Control Specialist, MACo and Wendy Sesselman, WCT Claims Supervisor on May 29, 2019 with Mr. Wallace at the Sanders County Courthouse. Open County Positions: Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, reposted externally until June 13, 2019. Heavy Equipment Operator District No. 1, external posting closed May 28, 2019, reviewing applications at this time. Maintenance Supervisor, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Joseph Giegling as the new Maintenance Supervisor effective Monday, June 24, 2019. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Montana State University Extension Administrative Assistant, posted externally until Monday, June 20, 2019. Further discussion was held on the Performance Appraisals, Mr. Wallace is meeting with Department Heads so implementation can start July 1, 2019 on County employees.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 2:05 p.m.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a request to abate Mobile Home taxes for Tax ID No. 306308 for 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019. Commissioner Magera motioned to abate the Mobile Home taxes for Tax ID No. 306308 for

2014, 2016, and 2017 through 2019 in the amount of \$748.22. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Pay Request No. 10 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Judson Shively, Coordinator, Weed District requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: his request for the Weed District employee's to receive the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) in next year's budget. The Board has consensus to provide the Weed District employee's with a COLA in next year's budget. Also in attendance was Rich Wallace, Director of HR.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: a noxious weed plan for Noxon Properties Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to accept the Sanders County Noxious Weed Management Plan for Noxon Properties Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention/Dispatch and Ted Tompkins, Lead, Detention/Dispatch to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget for Detention/Dispatch.

Eric Elliott, Deputy Sheriff requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a reduction in force in the Sanders County Sheriff's Office due to a grant (No. OVW-2018-13829) not being funded for Sanders County Coalition for Families. Mr. Elliott inquired as to any possibilities out there for him so that he may not be laid off. The Board advised Mr. Elliott that the Sheriff's office does have the ability to change their budget for fiscal year 2019/2020.

The Board adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA June 6, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, June 6, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the account period of May 2019.

Commissioner Magera left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 11:11 a.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: a Notice of Termination of Aircraft Hangar Ground Lease & Revocation of Assignment Thompson Falls Airport, Montana for Lot #13, COS 2144. The Board has consensus to execute the Notice of Termination of Aircraft Hangar Ground Lease & Revocation of Assignment Thompson Falls Airport, Montana for Lot #13, COS 2144. The Board has consensus to execute the Aircraft Hangar Ground Lease Thompson Falls Airport, Montana between Daniel G. Shultz and Della Shultz and Sanders County. Further

discussion was held on the Construction Contract between Sanders County and Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. Ms. Leisz will follow up with Salish Shores Attorney to discuss the Dispute Resolution clause.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: Montana Association of Counties (MACo), the County's insurance provider denied the claim for the replacement cost for the wastewater drainfield on the Alexander's property in Trout Creek, MT. Soil 101 Workshop, the Department of Environmental Quality sponsored a soils workshop in Bozeman, MT May 29-30th, 2019. The workshop was instructed by Dr. Tony Hartshorn and included a full day observing and classifying soil in various pits around Bozeman, MT and a half day of lab and lecture. A question came up regarding how the County enforces environmental regulations. The County, through Title 50 Chapter 2, MCA, can obtain compliance through the County Attorney, or as applicable, through State departmental avenues (DEQ, DPHHS, etc.). Inspections- 178 licensed establishments, Temporary Events- 41 so far in fiscal year 2019, Soil/site Analyses- 12 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 94 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Water/well Permits- 59 permits so far in fiscal year 2019, Local Subdivision Reviews- 35 so far in fiscal year 2019, Junk Vehicles- 53 vehicles so far in fiscal year 2019 and Food Training, an additional class is planned for fiscal year 2019. Further discussion was held on Modification 1 to Contract 217035 between Sanders County and the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Modification 1 to Contract 217035 between Sanders County and the Montana DEQ to delegate to Sanders County pursuant to Section 76-4-104, MCA, the authority to review certain water supply, wastewater, solid waste and stormwater systems in subdivisions. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget for the Road Department.

The Board met with Tom Rummel, Sheriff; Lanny Hensley, Undersheriff and Theresa Milner, Office Administrator to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget for the Sheriff's office. Also in attendance were: Brian Josephson, Detective and Gayle Seratt, Executive Director, Sanders County Coalition for Families. Mrs. Seratt requested the Sheriff's office keep Mr. Josephson as the Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Detective.

The Board adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner

Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
June 11, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 10:06 a.m.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest (NF) to discuss: land projects, timber sales, forest service roads in the Lolo NF that are open to the public for firewood gathering, an update on the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) and scheduled this year's Youth Conservation Corp. (YCC) Crew presentation for August 1, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: an update on the Business Fee Assessment. Mrs. Conlin requested Bull River Clinic be charged 1 unit instead of 2 units for a Solid Waste Refuse Disposal Fee. The Board has consensus to charge Bull River Clinic 1 unit on their taxes. Further discussion was held on the 2019 Business Fee Tax Exempt Refuse Assessments.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: cross training Kimberly Patton as an employee that will work in the Clerk and Recorder's and Treasurer's office. The Board has consensus for Mrs. Scribner to move forward with changing Kimberly Patton's job description as one to work in the Clerk and Recorder's and Treasurer's office.

The Board met to discuss the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 2:00 p.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the Construction Contract between Sanders County and Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. Ms. Leisz will follow up with Claude Burlingame, Attorney, Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
June 12, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Department Heads for their quarterly meeting. In attendance were: Judson Shively, Coordinator, Weed District; Ashley Blaylock, GIS/Rural Addressing; Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention/Dispatch; Theresa Milner, Office Administrator; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Candace Fisher, District Court Clerk; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator. Commissioner Cox introduced Ashley Blaylock and Melissa Cady (not present) as the new Sanders County Fair Manager. Commissioner Cox advised the new Maintenance Supervisor will be starting June 24, 2019. There was no Old Business. There was no New Business. Department Head Updates: Candace Fisher, what are the job duties of the new Maintenance Supervisor. Commissioner Cox and Commissioner Magera advised on the duties of the new Maintenance Supervisor. Jessica Connolly, preliminary budgets were due from Department Heads June 10, 2019. Next step is payroll requests submitted to Rich Wallace. Mrs. Ekberg will schedule Department Head Preliminary Budget Meetings July 9-11, 2019 and final meetings will be schedule August 20-22, 2019 with the FY 2019/2020 Final Budget adopted September 5, 2019. Commissioner Magera, the Safety Committee is showing progress. The County is at 166 days without incident. Judson Shively, next week the Blue Weed Task Force will be camping out at the Sanders County Fairgrounds and as of yet 25 individuals have signed up to participate in the elimination of Blue Weed in Sanders County. Nichol Scribner, the Treasurer's office is wrapping up May tax collection as well as cash balancing for the County. Mrs. Scribner is working on a digitized document system to update the Courthouse records. Shawn Sorenson, as busy as last year with permits. Reminder for departments to be kind to the new Maintenance Supervisor and to realize that this is one person for many tasks. Candace Fisher, just sent out 1,200 jury summons on May 31, 2019 for District Court. Heavy foot and phone traffic in District Court. Shawna Chenoweth, filled a Detention position, hired a part-time Dispatcher. Theresa Milner, submitted a vest grant and should hear back by September if the County received the grant. Ashley Blaylock, already completed 4-new addresses and will be training with Matt Pearce tomorrow. Overall hit the ground running starting this new position with the County. Jason Peterson, waiting on a building permit at the new Transfer Station site. The new site has electricity and dirt work is underway with St. Clair Construction. Nichol Scribner, the Department of Revenue is conducting property assessments. There is an

estimated 8-20% increase on Sanders County properties this year. Mrs. Ekberg, advised per the request of Rich Wallace information on the County employee appraisal process and advised meetings will be held the week of June 17, 2019.

Melissa Cady, Manager, Sanders County Fair requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: an update for the 2019 Sanders County Fair. Ms. Cady would like to expand the Demolition Derby at the Sanders County Fair and has a follow up meeting to discuss the demolition derby with Ron Warren. Further discussion was held on the concessions and an executed contract that will be in effect for the 2019 Sanders County Fair.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board requested to meet with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Contract for Services between Sanders County and Jessica M. Connolly.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-08 Cancellation of Warrants in the Clerk and Recorder's office. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Independent Contractor Insurance Requirement for Lydia Lafriniere. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Independent Contractor Insurance Requirement for Saints Towing & Wrecker Services, LLC. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board requested to meet with Jessica Connolly, CFO as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Contract for Services between Sanders County and Jessica M. Connolly. Mrs. Connolly will provide a new contract for the County effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

As it was 3:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Salary Compensation Board (SCB) meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Nichol Scribner, Member; Doug Dryden, Member; Naomi Leisz, Member; Annie Wooden, Member and Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary. Commissioner Cox called the meeting to order. Nichol Scribner motioned to approve June 14, 2018 and July 12, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Nichol Scribner motioned to appoint Annie Wooden as Chair for the SCB. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Mrs. Scribner provided an overview of the proceedings for the SCB meetings. Commissioner Magera explained the recommendations provided by the SCB to the County Commissioners do not necessarily have to be adopted by the County Commissioners. Discussion included a review of the FY 2018 Consumer Price Index increases of 2.4%. The Board advised Ms. Wooden that historically the Board of County Commissioners tries to provide all employees with the same increase that Elected Officials receive. Commissioner Brooker requested to look at the FY 2019 Salary Survey Results from the Montana Association of Counties (MACo). Annie Wooden motioned for a 3.4% increase in Elected Official's Salaries. Doug Dryden seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. The public hearing was set for July 10, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
June 13, 2019

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 2:00 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$606,848.25. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Lanny Hensley, Undersheriff requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: making cuts to the Sheriff's office fiscal year 2019/2020 budget so that a deputy is not laid off. Mr. Hensley cut the purchase of two new Sheriff's office vehicles with two used vehicles as well as putting off the purchase of the mobilization records system and data plan with Application Data Systems, Inc., (ADSI). With the cuts made the Board has consensus to come up with the additional monies needed to not lay off the last hired deputy.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
June 19, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Jill Lofthus, New Account Supervisor, First Security Bank to discuss: the Solid Waste Construction account and insurance on the account covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Also in attendance were: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Lisa Wadsworth, Accounts Payable/Claims, Clerk and Recorder.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve May 15, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Discussion was held on the fiscal year 2019/2020 Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District budget. Unfinished Business: There was none at this time. Recycling Report: 28 bales of Cardboard; 5 bales and 30 yards loose of Aluminum Cans; 150 yards of Metal Pile and 4 pallets of Batteries. There was no public present. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 173 days without incident. Mr. Wallace provided an overview of the PRIMA 2019 Conference in Orlando, Florida that he attended with Montana Association of Counties (MACo). The educational sessions that Mr. Wallace attended included: Employee Benefits/Human Resources, Risk & Benefits Financing/Insurance/Self-Insurance, Risk Control Safety, Risk Management Leadership/Administration and Workers' Compensation. Overall Mr. Wallace found the conference very educational and one of the best he has ever attended. Open County Positions: Bookmobile Relief Driver, the Bookmobile Advisory Board needs to consult with Mr. Wallace prior to making an offer to any candidates that were interviewed. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, reposted externally and received no applications for the open position. Mr. Wallace is working with

Melissa Cady, Fair Manager and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools for a new approach to the open position. Maintenance Supervisor, an offer made to an applicant was rescinded. Mr. Wallace will repost the open position externally. Montana State University (MSU) Extension Administrative Assistant, nine applicants applied, Mr. Wallace will be reviewing with Juli Thurston, Extension Agent, MSU for possible interviews. Further discussions were held on Performance Appraisals, Mr. Wallace has ongoing meetings with Department Heads so implementation can start July 1, 2019.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 139 between Sanders County and Rochelle Lukehart. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. to attend the Construction Progress Meeting conducted by Bob Church, Great West Engineering and Oliver St. Clair, St. Clair Construction, Inc., at the new transfer station site.

The Board resumed the regular session at 3:00 p.m.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Work Change Directive No. 1 for St. Clair Construction, Inc., on the Sanders County Solid Waste Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA June 20, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the amended plat of R.J. DeMers Additions 2, 3, 4 & 5 of Hot Springs, Montana. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the final amended Plat of R. J. DeMers Additions 2, 3, 4 & 5 of Hot Springs, Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the Construction Contract between Sanders County and Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. Ms. Leisz is waiting for changes made by herself and Claude Burlingame the Attorney for Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-09 A Resolution Establishing Set Fees for Liquor Licenses. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-10 Resolution of Intention of the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District to Increases Its Solid Waste Service Charge for Properties in the District. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-11 A Resolution to Increase the Fees Charged for Birth and Death Certificates in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Resolution 2019-12 Resolution to Set Fireworks Permits Fees for the Office of the Treasurer. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further

discussion was held on the County Cash and Investments as well as the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget for the Clerk and Recorder, Treasurer and Superintendent of Schools.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 4:15 p.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to continue discussion on: the Construction Contract between Sanders County and Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. Ms. Leisz advised Salish Shores only has four commitments out of the eight that are in the contract. Ms. Leisz recommends that Salish Shores holds payment until all commitments are received. If all eight commitments have not been received then payments will be sent back to the parties and a new contract amount will have to be re-negotiated. Ms. Leisz will send a letter and check out on tomorrows date as a commitment to the Construction Contract.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve June 5-6th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA June 26, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 10:10 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the account period of May 2019.

The Board met with Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Contract for Services between Sanders County and Jessica M. Connolly. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Task Order 20-07-4-31-141-0 between Department of Health and Human Services and Sanders County for the Immunization Program. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance were: Mary Reed and Melinda Reed.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Vehicle Buyer's Order for a 2017 Ram 1500 purchased from Peterson's Stampede for the Sheriff's office. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Vehicle Buyer's Order for a 2017 Ford Expedition from Kirkland Ford in Seattle, Washington. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 180 days without incident. Mr. Wallace provided the Board with the Sanders County Safety Committee Meeting notes

for June 19, 2019 and provided a brief summary of the meeting topics. Open County Positions: Bookmobile Relief Driver, Mr. Wallace is waiting to hear back from the Sanders County Bookmobile Advisory Board. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, interviews will be held next week. Heavy Equipment Operator Road District No. 1, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Human Resources Personnel Action Form for Earl Crawford effective July 8, 2019. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Maintenance Supervisor, external posting for the open position closes tomorrow, June 27, 2019. Montana State University Extension Administrative Assistant, interviews are scheduled for July 2, 2019. Further discussion was held on an update on the Performance Appraisal process and the current projects and activities Mr. Wallace is completing for the Maintenance Department.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
June 27, 2019

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Payroll at 9:30 a.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$477,442.01. (County Payroll is on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Moose Hollow Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the Noxious Weed Subdivision Plan for Moose Hollow Northeast, Northwest and Southeast Subdivision. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on the request for extension on the preliminary approval of Ponderosa Preserve Major Subdivision. The Board requests a meeting with the owner and or surveyor for further documentation for the request for extension on the subdivision.

The Board met with Harold Blattie, Field Services Representative, Montana Association of Counties (MACo) to discuss: the role Mr. Blattie can provide for counties. Mr. Blattie is in the process of updating the handbook/reference book for Commissioners/Clerk and Recorders, reviewing and analyzing legislative bills with Eric Bryson, MACo and answering any questions counties have on legislative bills. Also in attendance was Betty Blattie.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

As it was 1:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, the Board proceeded to open the sealed bid received by Clean Lakes Inc., for the 2019 Aquatic Plant Herbicide Application for the Noxon Rapids and Cabinet Gorge Reservoirs. Commissioner Magera motioned to award the bid for the 2019 Aquatic Plant Herbicide Application for the Noxon Rapids and Cabinet Gorge Reservoirs per the recommendation made by the Sanders County (SC) Aquatic Invasive Plant (AIP) Task Force. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance were: Kim Bergstrom, Pinnacle Research and Larry Lack, Chair, SC AIP Task Force.

The Board met with Kim Bergstrom, Pinnacle Research to discuss: the 2019 Aquatic Herbicide Trial Application. Ms. Bergstrom will have the County Attorney review prior to execution. Ms. Bergstrom held discussion on the Upper Columbia Conservation Commission (UC3). Commissioner Magera motioned to appoint Larry Lack to the UC3 per the recommendation made by the SC AIP Task Force. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Local Government Forestry Assistance Grant Agreement: Sanders County-Collaborative Support. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve June 11-13th, 2019 and June 19-20th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Independent Contractor Insurance Requirements for North Shore Services. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Vehicle Buyer's Order for the purchase of a 2015 Ram 1500 from Peterson's Stampede for the Sheriff's office. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

As it was 3:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the public hearing on the Petition for Annexation to the Noxon Rural Fire District. Also in attendance was Jill Lundstrom. The Petition for Annexation to the Noxon Rural Fire District was presented and signed by 100% of the residence in the area as well as a letter from the Noxon Rural Fire Department dated October 3, 2018 stating the Board (Noxon Rural Fire District) has approved the request to add the residential area on Timber Ridge Road Noxon, Montana to the Noxon Fire District. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox closed the hearing at 3:31 p.m. Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-13 A Resolution for Annexation to the Noxon Rural Fire District. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 2, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 02, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: an update on the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant. Sanders County was awarded the fiscal year 2019-2020 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant. Further discussion was held on this year's fire season. So far there has been a minor fire near Mosquito Creek in Sanders County.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: Land Services, Environmental Health, and Department of Environmental Quality are collaborating on regulatory consultation for an RV Park, Public Water, Public Wastewater, and future commercial facilities near the Highway 135/200 intersection. Environmental staff are working through complaints, including dust control, general land use and sanitation, wastewater disposal, and subdivision compliance. Inspections- 179 licensed establishments, Temporary Events- 48 in fiscal year 2019, Soil/site Analyses- 27 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 107 permits in fiscal year 2019, Water/well Permits- 69 permits in fiscal year 2019, Local Subdivision Reviews- 42 in fiscal year 2019, Junk Vehicles- 67 vehicles in fiscal year 2019 and Food Training- an additional class is planned for fiscal year 2019.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 186 days without incident. Open County Positions- Bookmobile Relief Driver, Mr. Wallace is waiting

to hear back from the Sanders County Bookmobile Advisory Board. Fairgrounds Administrative Assistant, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Hailey Coe as a full-time Seasonal employee for the Sanders County Fairgrounds. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Maintenance Supervisor, interviews will be conducted on July 3, 2019. Montana State University Extension Administrative Assistant, conducting five interviews today. Sanitarian, Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Melanie Shaw for a reduction in force. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Road District No. 2 Laborer, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Holden Torgerson effective July 3, 2019 as a Laborer in Road District No. 2. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on the Courthouse windows. The windows will be cleaned on Saturday, July 6, 2019 by Mark Bronner.

The Board requested to meet with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools as she was not on the scheduled agenda to discuss: the Refuse Appeal for George and Joyce Scott that was put before the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Board on May 15, 2019. Mr. and Mrs. Scott requested to be reimbursed back to 2011 for their property taxes that were charged 4-units instead of 1-unit a year.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

The Board has consensus to amend the State Approved Chemical Dependency Service Provider(s) form to Gateway Community Services 25% and Western Montana Mental Health Center 75% for Sanders County.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the 2019 Aquatic Herbicide Trial between Sanders County and Aquatechnex. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Pay Request No. 11 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board continued discussion from earlier on the: Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Appeal submitted by George and Joyce Scott. The Board has consensus that George and Joyce Scott, Taxpayer ID No. 5680 were erroneously charged 4-units on their property taxes from 2011 through 2018 and should receive a refund in the amount of \$3,000.00.

The Board met with Wayne Kasworm, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services; Kim Annis, Wildlife Management Specialist, MT Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP); Troy Hinck, Warden, MT FWP; Dave Wroblewski, Biologist, U.S. Forest Service and Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest for the quarterly Wildlife Meeting. Wayne Kasworm, bear capturing activities are occurring at this time. There are 5-collared bears (Grizzly) in the Cabinet Yaak. bear snags, corrals and trail cameras are set up. Mr. Kasworm provided a detailed account of an augmented bear that has traveled from Montana through Idaho and is now at Lolo Pass on the Idaho side. The bear has traveled quite a distance, went through quite a few bait sites and has had no conflict with humans at this time. Kim Annis, bear collars do notify bear management when the bears are near human habitat. This year has been a smooth year for bear and human conflicts. MT FWP in Helena, Montana created a distance learning program entitled Grizzly Bear Distance Learning Program with over 30 junior high and high school classrooms from as far as New York and Japan. The program involves asking Montana students to come to the table and share their ideas about managing this controversial predator through participation in the FWP Grizzly Bear Inspired Classroom Challenge. Troy Hinck (provided information from Bruce Sterling who was not present), working with volunteers at this time on a Sheep Wildlife Management area by the Perma Curves on Montana Hwy 200. Working on trapping and collaring Wolves. Chronic Wasting Disease was found in Libby, Montana so Sanders County will be proactive on educating persons on the transportation of the disease. Troy Hinck (provided information from Ryan Kreiner who was not present), in 2020 will be working on regulation of the Thompson River and will hopefully open the length of the Thompson River with only one regulation in place. Dave Wroblewski, working on bear spray training with employees. Getting closer to the Scoping Period for the amendments to the proposed management plan in the Lolo National Forest on road density within bear management. Mr. Wroblewski advised there is ongoing development and change in the forest service's understanding, definitions, and policy on the Canadian Lynx habitat. The Lolo National Forest is beginning to have regular meetings with the United States Fish and Wildlife Services (USFWS) about projects and seeking more consistency across the forest and with the USFWS.

Rich Wallace, Director of HR requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Montana State University (MSU) Extension Administrative Assistant open position. Also in attendance were Juli

Thurston, Agent, MSU Extension and Jeanette Allday, SNAP Ed. Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Ashley Duvall starting July 22, 2019. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 3, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, July 03, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: a request for Extension of Preliminary Approval of Ponderosa Preserve Major Subdivision. Also in attendance were Ron Warren, Rocky Mountain Surveyors and Steve Burbach, Owner, Ponderosa Preserve Major Subdivision. Mr. Warren and Mr. Bubach presented the current status of the subdivision as well as conflicts that had arisen. Commissioner Magera motioned to grant a 3-year extension for the Preliminary Approval of Ponderosa Preserve Major Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: a contract between Sanders County and Robert Spaulding. Ms. Leisz advised a contract is in the process of being drafted.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board conducted an interview at 1:30 p.m. for the open Maintenance Supervisor position.

Commissioner Brooker left the Board at 2:30 p.m., for County business in Plains, MT.

Gordon Johnson requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: Koo Koo Sint Reach Subdivision. Mr. Johnson provided a map that he had obtained from the Forest Service Archeologist in Missoula, MT he believes that this map provides proof that the road access to the east side of Lots 3 & 4 in Koo Koo Sint Reach Subdivision belongs to the County not an Undetermined Non-System Road owned by the Forest Service. The Board advised Mr. Johnson that they would follow up with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest on Tuesday, July 9, 2019.

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 8, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in session on Monday, July 08, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 6:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the public hearing to consider a final resolution adopting the proposed service charge for properties in the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Bob Church, President, Great West Engineering; Gene Rider, Property Owner; Jerry Messing, Property Owner; Heather Saint, Property Owner; Bill Saint, Property Owner; Thorne Johnson, Property Owner; Brenda Crowe, Property Owner; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Michael Floersch, Property Owner; Scott A. Crowe, Property Owner; Rusti Leivestad, Property Owner; Mark Sheets, Property Owner; Bonnie Nicol, Property Owner; Virginia Vaughn, Property Owner; John Mosher, Property Owner and Barbara Mosher, Property Owner. Commissioner Cox provided an opening statement to those in attendance stating this hearing is to obtain public comment on the proposed service charge increase for properties in the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District, due to a loan the County received from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development. Commissioner Cox then turned the meeting over to Bob Church who provided a presentation including the existing solid waste system description and deficiencies, how the current solid waste assessments are completed, the proposed assessment increase from \$125.00 a year to \$160.00 a year. As well as the schedule for the completion of the new facility and when the assessment change would be initiated on Sanders County Tax Statements. Public comments as follows: Gene Rider, inquired as to why the County needed thirty acres for a Transfer Station. Commissioner Cox advised that the County had tried to but was unsuccessful at purchasing another site before the purchase of the current property the new transfer station is being constructed on. Commissioner Cox also advised Mr. Rider that it was hard to find space without being too near individuals due to the fact that the property would be used for a refuse site. Commissioner Magera advised the whole thirty acres will not be utilized as a transfer station. There is quite a bit of rock for a rock quarry the Sanders County Road Departments could utilize on County projects. Mr. Rider also inquired as to how the refuse attendants would judge charging for non-typical materials. Jason Peterson advised the Solid Waste Refuse Attendants will charge the non-typical garbage based on the attendant viewing the amount of garbage you have and calculating the amount based on how much the attendant visually sees. This is how they have computed the amount in the past and it will not change at the new transfer station. Mr. Rider also requested that the Board and Mr. Peterson create an area at the transfer station where residents can place salvageable items they no longer want so that another individual can take that item for free for their own use. Heather Saint, inquired as to how many days and how long with the new transfer station be open. Mrs. Saint stated that with the increase in the fees that property owners will be paying the transfer station should be open 7-days a week instead of the 2 ½ days the site is currently open. Mr. Peterson, the County has discussed having a different business model. Mark Sheets, out of the proposed \$160.00 fee is there any amount going to a Capital Improvement fund for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. Commissioner Magera, yes that is the idea we are basing the amount on. Our bond attorney provided the County with an amount the County would need to increase the assessment fee to pay back the loan for the new transfer station and then the County added additional monies to the fee so that the County would have monies to replace equipment and any wear and tear that happens to a business. Commissioner Cox, Republic Services of Montana where the County takes the refuse to dispose of at the landfill increases their fees to the County by approximately 4% every year. However, the County has not increased our fee since 2006. Mr. Sheets, advised he does not mind the increase as long as the County puts part of the fee into a Capital Improvement fund. Mr. Rider, who will check my truck for non-typical refuse. Mr. Peterson, the refuse attendant. Bill Saint, why was the County putting money into leased property all these years. Commissioner Magera, the property was leased for 25-years, way before I became a Commissioner. Heather Saint, did the County check with the FAA to see if the new site was in the airport affected area. The Board advised that the County had went through the appropriate channels with the FAA and the new site is in the airport affected area. Rusti Leivestad, okay with a rate increase. Mrs. Leivestad was a part of the pay-as-you throw pilot program the County had and likes the idea Mr. Rider spoke of earlier in the meeting on the area designated for salvageable items. Mrs. Leivestad also stated that she hopes in the long term Sanders County can get back to recycling. Heather Saint, all the paper that is at the post office is shredded once a week at the district office and donated to shelters, food banks, etc. Barbara Mosher, we have many businesses and people dump at our businesses. Our refuse fee has increased significantly so that we will have to lock our dumpsters. Can we be reassessed every year. The Board, you can be reassessed every year if you request it. Commissioner Magera, the Solid

Waste Clerk sends out assessment questionnaires. If you have any questions contact the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Billing Clerk. A question was asked why the County charges for non-typical garbage outside of the refuse fee that is charged on tax statements. Commissioner Magera, the County charges for non-typical because Republic Services charges the County. Brenda Crowe, does the County use outside haulers to truck to Missoula, MT. Commissioner Cox, Republic Services hauls to Missoula, MT three times a week for the County as of right now. Commissioner Magera, it is cheaper for Republic Services to haul to Missoula vs. the County due to the increase in liability. With the new site the County will have Republic Services do all the hauling. Currently the County still goes to Missoula two times a week. The County will haul the refuse from the Heron, Noxon and Trout Creek roll-off sites to the new transfer station once completed. Heather Saint, I hope there will be directional signs and lines on the ground for people so there aren't any traffic jams like there are now at the current transfer station. Jerry Messing, how much money comes in now from refuse fees to the County from property taxes. Commissioner Magera, the County has approximately 5,500 property owners in the District at \$125.00 a year would be roughly \$687,500.00 a year. Mr. Messing, financially it seems like the County is doing something wrong. Commissioner Magera, the County once the proposed fee is increased to \$160.00 a year at approximately 5,500 property owners in the District the new amount received would be \$880,000.00 approximately, with a debt service of approximately \$4,962,000.00 for the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station to be paid back within 40-years. Mr. Messing requests a copy of the County Budget. Brenda Crowe- if you are a resident do you pay the refuse fee and if you have a public hauler pay for them as well. Commissioner Cox, yes, the private hauler is someone you as a resident pay for as a convenience. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 9, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 09, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest (NF) to discuss: this year's fire season, vegetation, and land projects. Further discussion was held on the forest service recreation sites that are currently in the scoping period for increasing fees on proposed camp and rental sites.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for Land Services. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Clerk and Recorder's, Treasurer and Superintendent of Schools offices. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:00 p.m.

The Board met with Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance and Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: the status on the Maintenance Department and the overhaul of the Maintenance Department garage, boiler and office rooms.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Amended Resolution 2019-12 Resolution to Set Fireworks

Permit Fees for the Office of the Treasurer. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Judy Stamm, President, Paradise Elementary School Preservation Committee (PESPC); Dave Colyer, Vice-President, PESPC; John Thorson, Member, PESPC; Karen Thorson, Member, PESPC; Karval Pickering, Member, PESPC; Kathleen Hubka, Member, PESPC and Benita "Jo" Hanson, Treasurer, PESPC at the Paradise Center in Paradise, Montana to discuss: the Lease between Sanders County and PESPC. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox turned the meeting over to Judy Stamm, who provided an update on the PESPC. Karen Thorson provided an update on programs and exhibits. Dave Colyer discussed maintenance and capital improvements needed at the Paradise Center. Jo Hanson gave an update on the PESPC's financial statements as well as the yearly rent fee to Sanders County. John Thorson provided challenges the PESPC faces.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 10, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

The Board met with Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Road Department. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board met with Candace Fisher, Clerk, District Court to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for District Court. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the County Attorney's office. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Office of Emergency Management. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 14 days without incident. Open County Positions- there are no open positions at this time. Mr. Wallace provided proposed requests for pay increases for individuals by Department Heads. Further discussion was held on the request made by Lyle Coney, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for loan documents for the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station requesting the ethnicity and race of County employees and anyone who has ever applied for a position with the County.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the federal fiscal year 2019-2020 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for Justice Court. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board met with Melissa Cady, Manager, Sanders County Fair to discuss: fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Sanders County Fair. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

As it was 3:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Public Hearing for the Salary Compensation Board (SCB) for the Salaries of Elected Officials. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member, SCB; Glen E. Magera, Member, SCB; Carol Brooker, Member, SCB; Annie Wooden, Member, SCB; Tom Rummel, Member, SCB; Naomi Leisz, Member, SCB; Doug Dryden, Member, SCB; Nichol Scribner, Member, SCB Linda McKahan, Member, SCB and Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox turned the hearing over to Jennifer Ekberg, who provided an overview of the previous SCB meeting held on June 12, 2019 and recommended a 3.4% increase for elected officials. The 3.4% came from the 2.4% Consumer Price Index provided by Montana Association of Counties (MACo) as well as an additional 1% after a review of MACo's 2019 Salary Survey results. Chair Annie Wooden called for public comment. There was no public comment. The hearing was closed at 3:02 p.m.

The Board met with Juli Thurston, Agent, Montana State University (MSU) Extension to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for MSU Extension, Sanders County. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board met with Sandra Hough, Driver, Sanders County Bookmobile to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Sanders County Bookmobile. Also in attendance were: Jessica Connolly, CFO; Sandra Thompson, Member, Sanders County Bookmobile Advisory Board (SCBAB); Mellisa McJunkin, Member, SCBAB and Jim Jacobson, SCBAB.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

The Board met with Tom Rummel, Sheriff; Lanny Hensley, Undersheriff; Theresa Milner, Office Administrator and Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention/Dispatch to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Sheriff's office. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 5:40 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 11, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Tina Scott, Administrative Assistant, Environmental Health to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for Environmental Health and the Junk Vehicle Program. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the scheduling of public hearings for Baldy View Estates, Wild Coyote RV Park and Kathleen French's RV Park. Further discussion was held on the City of Thompson Falls Planning Board. Commissioner Magera motioned to designate Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services, Sanders County as a member of the City of Thompson Falls Planning Board. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Agreement Form between Clean Lakes Inc. and Sanders County for the Aquatic Plant Herbicide Application for the Noxon Rapids and Cabinet Gorge Reservoirs. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve July 2-3rd, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board has consensus to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between Sanders County and Robert Spaulding for the paving of approximately the first mile of South Hill Road, Trout Creek, Montana.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Cox met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the Lease Agreement between Sanders County and Energy Partners, LLC. Mrs. Ekberg advised Ms. Leisz that a signed Lease Agreement has not been returned. Mrs. Ekberg will follow up with Energy Partners, LLC.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 1:50 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$246,694.27. (County Claims are on file in the Officer of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board met with Judson Shively, Coordinator, Sanders County Weed District to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for the Weed District. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools.

The Board met with Ashley Blaylock, GIS/Rural Addressing to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget for GIS and Rural Addressing. Also in attendance was Jessica Connolly, CFO.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 15, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in session on Monday, July 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., at the Pavilion, Sanders County Fairgrounds, Plains, Montana. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 6:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the public hearing to consider a final resolution adopting the proposed service charge for properties in the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Bob Church, President, Great West Engineering; Karval Pickering, Property Owner/Treasurer, Paradise Methodist Church; Calvin Williams, Property Owner; Dale Williams, Property Owner; Kathy Haman, Property Owner; Ronald Robinson, Property Owner; Gary Maas, Property Owner; Walene Maas, Property Owner; Dan Rowan, Property Owner; Dennis Olson, Property Owner; Erich Buljung, Property Owner; Eric Butler, Property Owner; Marti Good, Property Owner; Thom Chisholm, Superintendent, Plains Schools; Mike Maxwell, Property Owner and Derek Vonheeder, Property Owner. Commissioner Cox provided an opening statement to those in attendance stating this hearing is to obtain public comment on the proposed service charge increase for properties in the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District due to a loan the County received from the United States Department of

Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD). Commissioner Cox then turned the meeting over to Bob Church who provided a presentation including the existing solid waste system description and deficiencies, how the current solid waste assessments are completed, the proposed assessment increase from \$125.00 a year to \$160.00 a year. As well as the schedule for the completion of the new facility and when the assessment change would be initiated on Sanders County tax statements. Public comments as follows: Kathy Haman, why are property taxes charged 1-unit across the board instead of by property value. A family of four will live in a larger house than an individual that lives alone. To be fair solid waste fees should be charged based on property value. Bob Church, the best way to charge property owners would be by actual garbage that property owners generate. This would involve the pay-as-you throw program. However, the pay-as-you throw program has some disadvantages including: illegal dumping may increase once residents are asked to pay for refuse they generate. Implementation can be significant due to capital and administrative costs. Dale Williams, is the County going to hire employees that know how to run the sites and equipment. Commissioner Magera, job descriptions will change due to additional duties an employee will be assigned. For example, backhoes will be used to compact refuse instead of a baler. If the employee cannot properly run equipment or chooses not to, the County and the employee can undergo a separation of work. Calvin Williams, was there an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) completed on the new site. Mr. Church, there was an EIS and an Environmental Report completed on the site as loan requirements for the USDA RD. Commissioner Cox, Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks (FWP) advised the site needs to be fully fenced, gated and electrified. The County has committed per FWP's recommendations to install the gates and fencing around the 10-ares the County will be utilizing for the new transfer station. Calvin Williams, will the other sites still be available. Mr. Church, the County will still have roll-off sites with added wall barriers to meet building code requirements and increase public safety. Calvin Williams, will the County still accept burnables. Commissioner Magera, yes. The County has three pits that will be at the new site, which will consist of two wood pits and a metal pit. Commissioner Magera also advised those in attendance of the ash problem the County faces. The County cannot reclaim or distribute the ash per Montana Department of Environmental Quality and instead hauls the ash to the landfill in Missoula, Montana at a considerable price. Mike Maxwell, in favor of the increase. How many Equivalent Residential Unit's (ERU's) does the County receive. Commissioner Brooker, the County receives approximately 5,500 ERU's. Dale Williams, there was a rumor that the County will charge for ash. Does the County own their own containers. Commissioner Cox, the County will not charge for ash. Yes, the County owns their own containers. Dennis Olson, does the County charge 1-unit per habitable building. Commissioner Brooker, yes the County charges for habitable buildings. Dan Rowan, recyclables have declined, consumers are using more. Is there any type of technology for long term planning for the future of recycling. Commissioner Brooker, studies were done in 1994 where options were seriously looked at. It was found that Sanders County does not have a population that would benefit from the options researched. For example, a train system was researched. But it was found that once the train reached Missoula, Montana there was no way to get the refuse or recyclables off the train. Dan Rowan, Missoula, MT has a transfer station that has a pay-as-you-throw program. Bob Church, Seattle, Washington does recycle but at the same time Seattle residents pay 4 times higher than people in Montana. Montana also trucks recyclables greater distances for them to be recycled. Mike Maxwell, is there any research into glass recycling or anyone that accepts glass. Commissioner Brooker, Missoula accepts glass on limited days. Also, Kathy Conlin and I are looking into the feasibility of accepting glass again. Bob Church, the City of Helena, Montana is the only successful glass recycler that I know of. Commissioner Cox, if the County can break even or even make a small profit on recyclables, the County will recycle. At this time the County accepts metal, aluminum cans, batteries and used oil. Dan Rowan, how long will Republic Services be able to take Sanders County refuse. Bob Church, Republic Services was permitted over 100 more additional acres for landfill, which could be anywhere from 50-100 years of service. Gary Maas, will the new Solid Waste Transfer Station be open additional hours. Commissioner Magera, no, the fee increase does not cover wages to be open for additional hours. Gary and Walene Maas, could the County provide us with a dumpster on our road. The Board advised the Maas's to contact B&P Services for private hauling. Eric Butler, this is not reasonable for an individual with one or two bags of refuse a week vs. an individual that has a pickup load of refuse a week. With the additional employees at this new site is the fee going to increase to make up for wages and benefits. Commissioner Magera, there will be no new employees. The County will actually have less employees at the new transfer station. Thom Chisholm, Plains School went from 23- units to 47- units due to a Business Assessment that was recently completed and had not been completed for several years. I have talked to Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant for SW to remedy the situation for the school. Mrs. Conlin advised me that the County will do an assessment every two years so that such an increase will not be unexpected. The County has handled this situation very well even offering advice to schools on how to decrease the number of units the schools pay. Dan Rowan, can the County enforce out-of-towners to pay for refuse. Commissioner Brooker, a lot of out-of-towners own property in Montana so therefore are paying for refuse on property taxes. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 16, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 to continue discussion: on the preliminary fiscal year 2019/2020 budget as well as proposed pay increases for the Road Department. Also in attendance was Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Larchwood South Shore Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-14 A Resolution for the Annual Maintenance Levy for Rural Special Improvement District No. 1. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on a letter sent to the County from Montana Land Reliance in regards to Judy Hutchins amending a conservation easement on her property to include newly purchased adjacent property. The Board supports Ms. Hutchins amending her easement.

Rodney Kardokus requested to speak with the Commissioners via teleconference as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: Railroad Avenue in Heron, MT. Mr. Kardokus advised the County the road crew is speeding around the corner on Railroad Avenue. Mr. Kardokus has also filed a complaint with the Sanders County Sheriff's office on the road crew and advised the Board of a Deputy Sheriff and his actions/behavior.

The Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No.'s 134-138 between Sanders County and Donald Oliver. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board has consensus to grant the following Elected Officials permission to leave the state for short intervals of time during the next sixty days: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace; Candace Fisher, Clerk of Court; Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner.

Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a Sanders County State Entitlement Analysis.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 17, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magea, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant and Charles Hammett, Property Owner. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve June 19, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Charles Hammett presented his refuse appeal for Tax ID. 3797. Mr. Hammett's property is a small residential parcel with a small outdoor tool/gardening shed with no other permanent structures on it. Commissioner Brooker motioned to remove the Solid Waste Refuse Fee off Tax ID. 3797 as well as provide a refund for the last three years the refuse fee was paid, per the SW policy. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Jennifer Ekberg presented Refuse Appeals for Tax ID's: 14072, 14167 and 14217 submitted by Wayne Bates. Mr. Bates states Tax ID. 14217 is an unfinished building and two years ago helped a guy out and he put his trailer on the property. Tax ID. 14167, Mr. Bates states is an unfinished building and no one has ever lived there. Tax ID. 14072, Mr. Bates states has not been occupied since 2004. Mrs. Ekberg provided a picture for each house that was taken by Thompson Falls, Montana Department of Revenue in 2017 and 2018. Commissioner Brooker motioned to deny the appeals for Tax ID. 14072, 14167 and 14217 due to the fact all three properties have habitable buildings. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Unfinished Business: Kathy Conlin advised all business assessments are complete and have been inputted on the upcoming Sanders County tax statements by Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and staff. Mrs. Conlin provided the Accounts Receivable Detail Report as of July 16, 2019 which provided a report of persons that have outstanding monies due to the County. Jason Peterson requests a backhoe at the Trout Creek roll off site due to an influx of refuse. Mr. Peterson would like a backhoe to compact garbage so the roll off site can handle a greater volume of refuse. In part this increase is due to the Lakeside Motel & Resort canceling their contract with Haskins who was hauling the Lakeside's refuse from Trout Creek to the Thompson Falls Transfer Station. Now that the Lakeside has cancelled their hauling contract the owners of the motel and resort would dispose of their refuse at the Trout Creek roll off site. This is a significant increase of refuse and Mr. Peterson believes this will be a burden to the Trout Creek site and therefore request the backhoe to alleviate some of the problem. Mrs. Conlin provided the business assessment rate increase for McGowan's Grocery in Plains. The grocery store is moving from 10- units on the property tax statement to 39- units. The Board has consensus for Erika Lawyer, Owner, McGowan's Grocery to monitor refuse for the months of August and September 2019 and report back to the SW Refuse Disposal District by the October 2019 board meeting with the results. Mr. Peterson advised that Pardee Excavating, LLC could haul ash from the Thompson Falls Transfer Station at \$110.00 an hour to the Missoula, Montana landfill and the County would need to provide a loader to load the ash into the truck. Mr. Peterson will follow up with Pardee Excavating, LLC to set up hauling of the ash. Recycling Report: 43 bales of Cardboard; 5 bales and 30 yards loose of Aluminum Cans; 150 yards of Metal Pile and 4 pallets of Batteries. There was no public present. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 21 days without incident. The Sanders County Safety Committee is working on a near miss incident investigation as well as conducting a Courthouse safety round. Open Positions: there are no open positions at this time. Mr. Wallace will be

conducting new hire orientation meetings for fourteen employees starting on July 30, 2019. Further discussion was held on proposed requests for pay increases for individuals by Department Heads.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner

Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 22, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in session on Monday, July 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., at the Multi-Purpose Room, Trout Creek School, Trout Creek, Montana. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

As it was 6:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the public hearing to consider a final resolution adopting the proposed service charge for properties in the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Bob Church, President, Great West Engineering; Regina Skoczylas, Property Owner and Katherine Ferguson, Property Owner. Commissioner Cox provided an opening statement to those in attendance stating this hearing is to obtain public comment on the proposed service charge increase for properties in the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District due to a loan the County received from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD). Commissioner Cox then turned the meeting over to Bob Church who provided a presentation including the existing solid waste system description and deficiencies, how the current solid waste assessments are completed, the proposed assessment increase from \$125.00 a year to \$160.00 a year. As well as the schedule for the completion of the new facility and when the assessment change would be initiated on Sanders County tax statements. Public comments as follows: Katherine Ferguson, how long is the loan for. Will the fee increase to \$160.00 stay that way for the duration of the loan. Commissioner Cox, the loan is for forty years. I'm not sure of when and if any increases will occur. Anything can happen down the road and the County might have to increase the fee. Ms. Ferguson, how is this going to affect Heron and Noxon's recycling. Commissioner Cox, anything the County can recycle the County recycles and puts the funds received back into the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District program. Regina Skoczylas, the County use to recycle everything and now hardly anything is recycled, which in turn increases the refuse amounts that are taken to the landfill for disposal. Trout Creek School received an assessment increase from approximately \$400.00 a year to over \$2,000.00 a year. This will cause the school to lock up the dumpsters so that individuals do not use the schools dumpster to throw away their garbage. I know Mr. Church stated earlier in his presentation that the County will have barriers at the sites to increase safety standards. Even with the fences I still have seen people climb over the fences to dispose of items. Also, is the Transfer Site going to be heated if there is no water. Bob Church, the Maintenance Building will be heated by oil heaters that are currently in use at the existing Transfer Station. The new Transfer Station will not have a heating system. Commissioner Magera, the County drilled at the new transfer station site but did not locate any water. Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc., owns and operates a private water company in Sanders County, Montana and agrees to participate in an expansion of their services to provide water to landowners adjacent to their service area. Approximately eight property owners would benefit from Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. Ms. Ferguson, has the County looked into how this is going to affect low income individuals. For example, persons like myself that discard a bag a week of refuse. Commissioner Cox, citizens have brought up the pay-as-you-throw program and the benefits do not out weight the costs of such a program.

Commissioner Magera, the County has looked at other variables for the new Solid Waste Transfer Station. If the County could cut costs and recycle we would. Commissioner Cox, if you live out of town and can burn brush and clean debris please do so instead of bringing to the Transfer Station. The County has to pay Republic Services to haul ash to the Missoula Landfill due to restrictions imposed by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Mrs. Skoczylas, is the County not allowed to give the ash away for compost. Commissioner Magera, DEQ will not allow the County to sale or give away the ash. The Commissioners that leased the Thompson River Lumber property for the current transfer station made a mistake. Mrs. Skoczylas, property owners are paying \$125.00 and with the increase will start paying \$160.00 a year and because of the recycling market two-thirds of my garbage is recyclables. When the market changes and the County can recycle again will the Solid Waste Refuse fee increase. Commissioner Magera, no, because if the market is accepting recyclables again it will generate money. Ms. Ferguson, I really would like a trailer brought back to accept paper for recycling. I can't burn paper where I live and find without the trailer it is a hardship. I paid \$20.00 a month for refuse when I lived in Spokane, Washington. Next time advertise more in regards to the meetings and hold a meeting in Noxon, Montana instead of Trout Creek, Montana. The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 23, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the Sanders County Park Commission. Further discussion was held on routine business in the Land Services department.

Commissioner Brooker left the meeting at 10:35 a.m. to attend the Sanders County Community Development Board Meeting at the State Building in Thompson Falls, Montana.

The Board adjourned at 10:35 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 2:00 p.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 0 days without incident. The Sanders County Safety Committee is working on a near miss investigation in the Sheriff's office parking lot. Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance will be changing the parking lot directional lines to backing in parking only for the Sanders County Sheriff's office. Open County Positions: there are no open positions at this time. Presented via letter was a pay increase for Justice Court employees by Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace. Commissioner Cox requested Sanders County t-shirts be purchased for Matt Dombach as a uniform to identify him as an employee of Sanders County. The Board has consensus to purchase the t-shirts for Mr. Dombach.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner

Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 25, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: updates on the current wild fire status in Sanders County and the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant (EMPG). Further discussion was held on the Threat Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (THIRA) Sanders County will have to complete.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Grant Agreement between Sanders County and the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration for the Thompson Falls Airport. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve July 8-17th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 2:00 p.m.

As it was 2:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Sanders County Board of Health (BOH) Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Dr. Robert Gregg, Member; Dr. Jack Lulack, Member; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Tina Scott, Administrative Assistant/Environmental Health; Karen Morey, Director, Public Health; Jill Lundstrom, Nurse, Public Health; Sandra Gubel, Tobacco Prevention Specialist; Camela Carstarphen, MT Bureau of Mines and Geology (MT BMG); John Lafave, MT BMG and Molly Neu, Health Promotion Specialist, Flathead City-County Health Department. Dr. Lulack motioned to approve April 17, 2019 meeting minutes. Dr. Gregg seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Sandra Gubel, provided a progress report for Tobacco Prevention which included: reaching out to 550 people during community events, reaching 590 young people during youth-led activities, development of the "What's in VAPE game," brought in seven-time oral cancer survivor (from chew tobacco) Ronnie Trentham and American Indian inspirational storyteller Greg Bilby to talk to schools in Sanders County, 46 people in Sanders County enrolled in Montana Quit Line, and a new tool was introduced called My Life My Quit for teens under 18 who would like to quit tobacco products. Upcoming events include: an arena fence sign at the Sanders County Rodeo featuring a strong quit tobacco message, an educational/activity booth at the Trout Creek Farmer's Market and nationally known 16-year old Luka Kinard will be a guest speaker in our high schools in September 2019. Special Guest Molly Neu, presented the Montana Cancer Screening Program which provides free breast and cervical cancer screenings to women who qualify based on age, income and insurance status. Shawn Sorenson, introduced Camela Carstarphen and John Lafave with Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology who then presented the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology Ground Water Assessment Program Study in Sanders County. The study will begin this summer and will include visiting wells to measure water levels and collect groundwater samples. Information from these well visits will be used to compile maps describing: aquifer locations and extents, the groundwater flow system and the water quality. All information obtained as part of this study will be available through the Ground Water Information Center's website: www.mbmggwic.mtech.edu. Shawn Sorenson, presented Cannabidiol (CBD) and the fact that despite popular belief CBD extracts are not allowed in food or dietary supplements. CBD does not meet the legal definition of an ingredient allowed in conventional food or dietary supplements because CBD extracts are already federally regulated as a prescription drug and a controlled substance. Mr. Sorenson and Naomi Leisz, County Attorney are working together on how to proceed with creating and implementing an enforcement plan if there is probable cause to believe a food or dietary supplement is in commerce. Mr. Sorenson advised the BOH that there is a stream of complaints being received in the department of Environmental Health and when a complaint has been provided first question asked is if the complaint received is in Sanders County jurisdiction, next research applicable laws and then proceed to a site visit. Jill Lundstrom, provided a summary of the Group Crisis Intervention seminar presented by Carol Staben-Burroughs she

attended from June 6-7th, 2019 in Helena, Montana. Karen Morey advised over 1,100 individual cases of measles have been confirmed in 30 states from January 1 to July 18, 2019. Montana has had no cases of measles to date. 2019 Montana Teen Vax Challenge is part of a multi-year campaign that focuses on increasing awareness about the importance of teen vaccines. As of July 1st, 2019 there are 196 entries. Sanders County Health Department will be using the Montana's Care Van to go to schools to give teen vaccines along with back to school vaccines. Ms. Morey provided a list of all reportable diseases whether suspected or confirmed, or any unusual incident of unexplained illness or death in a human or animal with potential human health implications that must be reported immediately to local health jurisdictions. There was no unfinished business. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 3:25 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$659,960.42. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

Ashley Blaylock, GIS/Rural Addressing requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the purchase of a server for the Courthouse's computers. Ms. Blaylock advised that she has the quote from DIS Technologies in the 2019/2020 Budget for the purchase of the new server. The Board has consensus for Ms. Blaylock to make the purchase of the server due to the time sensitivity of the purchase in conjunction with the final setup of Square9 software.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
July 30, 2019**

Commissioner Brooker proceeded to audit County Payroll at 8:45 a.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$495,126.69. (County Payroll is on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Ms. Maudrone has requested funds from the City of Plains, Montana for assistance with Riverside Park in Plains, MT in collaboration with the Sanders County Park Commission and is waiting to hear back from the City of Plains, MT.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 7 days without incident. Open Positions: there are no open positions at this time. The Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Ronald Paulsen's retirement effective August 25, 2019. Further discussion was held on the County Performance Appraisal process. Mr. Wallace advised the biggest hurdle remains to be the goal section of the appraisal process.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:00 p.m.

The Board met with Rick Guill, Advanced Solutions to discuss: an update on the overhaul of the Courthouse HVAC System. Also in attendance were: Rich Wallace, Director of HR and Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Sales Agreement between Sanders County and Western States Equipment for a 2011 Caterpillar 420E Backhoe Loader. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Amendment No. 1 to Task Order No. 19-07-5-21-017-0 Sanders County WIC Program. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Resolution 2019-15 A Resolution Ordering the Creation of the Sanders County Interdisciplinary Child Information and School Safety Team. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Contractor's Application for Payment No. Four for St. Clair Construction, Inc., for the Sanders County Solid Waste Improvements Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the accounting period of June 2019. Mrs. Scribner advised the Board that tax liens will be mailed out starting August 1, 2019. Further discussion was held on the procedures for tax deeds and assignments.

The Board adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
August 1, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, August 01, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest Service (FS); Heather Berman, Recreation, Lolo National FS; Marie Errecart, Crew Leader, Youth Conservation Corp. (YCC) and Sandra Jirasko, YCC to discuss: the 2019 YCC crew season. The Board introduced themselves and then turned the meeting over to the YCC crew members: Deriyan; Noah; Nicolas; Celsey; Martin; Daniele and Jocelyn who then presented the educational experiences they received this year including: fire/fuels; replacing a bridge at Siegel Pass; repairing a trail at Big Hole Lookout; silviculture; fisheries education; timber sales; wildlife study on Snow Shoe Hare Density for the Lynx habitat; a mule packing class and a recreational class where the crew fixed a walking bridge, a horse fence and made a cabin ready for renters.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: temporary food licensing events: Homesteaders, Plains Days, Chicken Jamboree, Summer Kickoff, Symes Blues Festival, Noxon Blues Festival, Huckleberry Festival and the Sanders County Fair. Businesses selling food without a license- several businesses have been observed or reported giving away food to the public that was prepared in home kitchens. Food rules will be updated to specifically cover these type of customer service events. Wastewater complaints have been made on streets in Hot Springs, Montana including Spring Street, Camas Road, Marsh Lane and Chisholm Trail. Mr. Sorenson provided an update on the Paradise Sewer System project: a completed final design will be submitted to Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for review and approval by the end of 2019 or early 2020 with a plan to start bidding the project in February/March 2020. Inspections- 179 licensed establishments, Temporary Events- 15 in fiscal year 2020, Soil/site Analyses- 30 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 15 permits in fiscal year 2020, Water/well Permits- 9 permits in fiscal year 2020, Local Subdivision Reviews- 18 in fiscal year 2020, Junk Vehicles- 12 vehicles in fiscal year 2020 and Food Training- two classes are planned in fiscal year 2020.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Change Order No. 1 for St. Clair Construction, Inc., for the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019- 16 A Resolution Establishing the Fees for Reimbursement of Costs Associated with Tax Liens, Assignments, Redemptions, and Tax Deed Sales. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Lease Agreement between Sanders County and Energy Partners, LLC for a parcel of land located in Sanders County, Montana and is described as Tract 4-A, a portion of Tract A, COS# 2508, consisting of 1.54 acres. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve July 22, 23 & 25th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
August 5, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in session on Monday, August 05, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner via teleconference.

As it was 1:30 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, the Board proceeded to open the sealed bids for the Beaver Creek Road Shop project. A bid was received from: St. Clair Construction Inc., in the amount of \$1,035,545.00 with an Additive Alternate No. 1 in the amount of \$36,750.00. Commissioner Brooker motioned to take the bid under advisement until Thursday, August 8, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance were: Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering via teleconference; Michael Galloway, St. Clair Construction Inc. and Oliver St. Clair, President, St. Clair Construction Inc.

The Board adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
August 8, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, August 08, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Baldy Mountain Reserve Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt the Subdivision Noxious Weed Plan for Baldy Mountain Reserve Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

As it was 10:30 a.m. and the time and place as advertised for the decision on the Beaver Creek Shop project, Commissioner Brooker motioned to award the Beaver Creek Shop bid to St. Clair Construction Inc., minus the Additive Alternate No. 1. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance were: Travis Craig, Project Engineer, Great West Engineering and Michael Galloway, St. Clair Construction, Inc.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to: introduce John Martin, Superintendent of Noxon Schools.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Pay Request No. 12 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve July 30, 2019 and August 1, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Julie Molzahn to the Sanders County Park Commission for a two year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Community Transportation Enhancement Program (CTEP) monies and Journal Vouchers from one department to another department for vehicle fuel/repairs.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 1:50 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$ 347,547.04. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 16 days without incident. Open County Positions: there are no open positions at this time. Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Conrad Vanderwall as a temporary employee for the Sanders County Fairgrounds effective July 31, 2019. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on a status update for the County Performance Appraisal process.

The Board adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
August 13, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest and Carolyn Upton, Forest Supervisor, Lolo National Forest to discuss: Ms. Carey introduced Carolyn Upton as the new Forest Supervisor for the Lolo National Forest. Ms. Upton took her position in March of this year. A district update was provided including: sixteen fire starts that were caused by humans; fire salvage sales including Short Eddy and Swamp Eddy; Lolo National Forest is in support of the Thompson Falls Main Street Committee applying for a Natural Resources grant to revitalize main street and an update of current land projects. Ms. Upton advised the Board that the Lolo National Forest Service has five District which include: Missoula Ranger Station, Ninemile Ranger Station, Plains-Thompson Falls Ranger Station, Seeley Lake Ranger Station and the Superior Ranger Station. A key concern to Ms. Upton at this time is to get working relationships between collaboratives and other working groups.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 14 days without incident. Discussion was held between the Board and Mr. Wallace on the duties and or expectations of the Road Department during the week of the Sanders County Fair. Mr. Wallace will follow up with Melissa Cady, Manager, Sanders County Fair. Also in attendance was Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. Open County Positions: Truck Driver, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District (SWRDD) (Temporary) is posted internally; Refuse Attendant, SWRDD (Plains, MT) (part-time); Refuse Attendant, SWRDD (Thompson Falls, MT) posted internally and a Relief Attendant, SWRDD (on-call/as needed) posted internally and will be posted externally as well. The Board has consensus to cancel the services provided by Your Cinderella due to the County hiring a new Maintenance Supervisor.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Republic Services Disposal Agreement with Sanders County. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the 2019 Herbicide Application Contract Modification between Sanders County and Clean Lakes, Inc. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the 2019 Herbicide Treatment Trial Contract Modification between Sanders County and Aquatechnex. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Greg Welty to the Plains/Paradise TV District for a three year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Gordon Johnson to discuss: Koo Koo Sint Reach Subdivision. Also in attendance were: Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator and Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services. Mr. Johnson provided an overview of the information he has located regarding Koo Koo Sint Reach Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker advised Mr. Johnson, the County does not know if this is a County road and/or how much the County can provide to Mr. Johnson for an easement. Is there even enough road at this location for emergency services. Commissioner Brooker has spoken with the forest service and the forest service advised Commissioner Brooker that if the County granted Mr. Johnson an easement Mr. Johnson would have to obtain a permit from the forest service to use the ACM Road. Naomi Leisz, this road is obviously not a County road but could be a public road. Ms. Leisz advised she would need to review the title report and further documentation and will discuss her findings before August 25, 2019 per the request made by Mr. Johnson.

Rich Wallace, Director of HR requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a temporary work agreement. Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action form for a Temporary Work Agreement for Brad Kinzie as a Truck Driver for Solid Waste effective until October 25, 2019. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on reporting an incident or injury within 48-hours.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
August 14, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, August 14, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox open the public hearing for the recommendation on whether the preliminary Major Plat of Baldy Mountain Reserve Subdivision & Phase I should be approved, conditionally approved or denied. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services; Ron Warren, Surveyor, Rocky Mountain Surveyors; Amy Stinnett, Property Owner; Cindy Gray, Property Owner; Mike Swanson, Property Owner; Lars A. Allestad; Ludwig Roeder, Property Owner; Paul Wachholz, Owner, Baldy Mountain Reserve Subdivision and Erich Buljung, Property Owner. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox then turned the meeting over to Ron Warren who then presented the sixteen lot, 4- phased subdivision. The minimum lot consists of 3.10 acres and the biggest lot is 38.71 acres. Katherine Maudrone presented preliminary finding of facts and conclusions for Baldy Mountain Reserve Subdivision. Mr. Warren clarified the subdivision wells, fire hydrant location, electricity (preferably buried) and a variance request. Public comments as follows: Cindy Gray, I have concerns on Corona Road. There is a blind curve (corner of Corona Road and Cedar Creek) and the road is in bad shape. Ludwig Roeder, my property does not have legal and physical access because the County road goes through my property. I do not have a deeded access. Commissioner Brooker, I will look into your legal and physical access. Mike Swanson, I do not have legal and physical access either. The road maintenance is not being properly maintained and the new subdivision will increase traffic. Commissioner Brooker, Sanders County is giving the subdivider legal access and should be able to give current property owners already there legal access as well. Mr. Swanson, do we know if the wells that are for the subdivision will affect existing property owner's water tables. Commissioners Brooker, explained the subdividing process the County follows. Mr. Warren, explained wells and how it would be hard to affect existing properties water tables. Subdivisions have to go through the Montana Platting Act and Sanitation in Subdivision Regulations. Ms. Gray, how many wells will be added for the subdivision. Mr. Warren, there are 16 properties so there would be 16 well. Commissioner Brooker, 16 septic systems as well. Mr. Swanson, questioned if Northwestern Energy decides whether the electricity lines will be buried or placed overhead. Is there supposed to be an upgrade to the power system with these added users. Mr. Warren, yes it's up to Northwestern Energy on how they are installing the electricity lines. There is no need to upgrade the system as of right now for the additional users that will be added with the subdivision. Commissioner Brooker, Amy (Stinnett) have you met with the developer. Are you okay with giving an easement for the electrical lines for the subdivision. Amy Stinnett, I have met with Ron Warren twice discussing my ability to provide a 20-foot easement for the electrical lines. Mr. Warren, I have met with Mrs. Stinnett and Paul Wachholz has agreed to provide Mrs. Stinnett with 3.88 acres in exchange for her providing Baldy Mountain Reserve Subdivision with a 20-foot easement for the electrical lines. Mr. Swanson, inquired to the weed management on the subdivision property. Commissioner Magera, explained the process of weed management. Ms. Gray, is it true that there are bugs that are available that eat knapweed. Commissioner Magera and Katherine Maudrone, advised that there are bugs that eat the roots of the knapweed and Ms. Maudrone will provide her with contact information to purchase the weevil. Commissioner Brooker, I would like to meet with Ben Bache, Road Foreman and Mr. Roeder and Mr. Allestad to fix their legal and physical access. Mr. Swanson, I am in support of this subdivision being built for single-family homes. Erich Buljung, where will Corona Road be snow plowed. Commissioner

Cox, the County will not be taking on any more snow plowing. Commissioner Brooker, whatever the County is maintaining they will continue to maintain, nothing more. Commissioner Cox closed the hearing at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Brooker motioned to take the matter under advisement until Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:45 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-17 Resolution of the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Authorizing an Increase in its Solid Waste Service Charge for Properties in the District. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the County of Sanders and Teamsters Union Local # 2. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 2:00 p.m. to attend the Sanders County Employee Safety Committee meeting in the Courthouse.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA August 15, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, August 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Byler Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the preliminary approval of Byler Minor Subdivision with the following conditions and adopting the attached findings of facts and conclusions: 1) That 30 foot easement along South Hill Road be granted to Sanders County and noted on the face of the final plat to create standard half width right-of-way for a full width road easement for county roads. 2) That a controlled-access easement be established on the South Hill Road frontage of these lots noting on the face of the plat that an approach permit must be obtained from the County prior to beginning work to create a new access. 3) That this subdivision files a Waiver of the Right to Protest a Rural Special Improvement District for the construction, maintenance and other improvements of roads with final plat. 4) That the subdivider contact the Sanders County Land Services Department for a Noxious Weed and Revegetation Plan and complete initial treatment prior to final plat approval. 5) That the subdivision complies with the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations for Fire Protection. The exact method of compliance must be determined and met prior to final plat approval. 6) That the final subdivision shall comply with all requirements of the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations, Sanders County Wastewater Regulations, and the laws and administrative rules of the State of Montana.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute August 5 & 8th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Cassidy Kipp, Deputy Director, Community Action Partnership of Northwest Montana (CAPNM) to discuss: fiscal year 2020-2021 Community Services Block Grant request for endorsement; Sanders County

services provided in 2018 and the CAPNM Annual Report for 2018. The Board has consensus to execute the letter of support endorsing the Work Plan and Budget as written for the Community Services Block Grant Program for fiscal year 2020-2021.

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with the Lake County Commissioners (Bill Barron, District 1; Dave Stipe, District 2 and Gale Decker, District 3) via teleconference to discuss: litigation matters. Therefore, as per MCA 2-3-203 (3), this discussion was closed to the public. (Closed session minutes are sealed and on file in the office of the County Attorney)

Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering via teleconference requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Mr. Church provided an update on the project as well as change orders and potential additions for the project. The Board has consensus to hold off on the loading dock change order till the project is closer to completion. Mr. Church will follow up with the Department of Environmental Quality on building capacity for occupation and Salish Shores Utility Corporation Inc. for the water extension to the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station.

The Board adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
August 20, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to discuss: the proposed final budget for fiscal year 2019/2020. Also in attendance was Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. Further discussion was held on increasing the Solid Waste budget for the transition from the old transfer station on Airport Road in Thompson Falls to the new transfer station which will be on Hwy 200 in Thompson Falls. This includes the removal of the ash from the old transfer station if approved by the Department of Environmental Quality to use on the new transfer station site as fill material or transported to the landfill in Missoula, Montana.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board requested to meet with Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering via teleconference as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Solid Waste System Improvements Project request for a loading dock change order. The loading dock change order would cost an additional amount of \$26,000.00. Mr. Church recommended holding off on the change order till closer to the completion of the System Improvements Project to determine the overall budget of the project. Further discussion was held on the need for a 3-hour firewall in the proposed Road District No. 3 Shop Project.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Retail Purchase Order between Sanders County and RDO Equipment Co., for a 2003 Caterpillar 430D Backhoe for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Retail Sales Agreement between Sanders County and Titan Machinery-Missoula for a Caterpillar 430E Backhoe for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Task Order 20-07-6-11-048-0 to Sanders County Unified Government Master Contract that covers the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2026 for Public Health Emergency Preparedness between Sanders County and the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (CDPHP) Bureau Program Sub-contractor Agreement between Flathead City-County Health Department and Sanders County. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Sanders County dba Health Services-WIC Professional Services Agreement between Sanders County Health Services-WIC and Missoula City-County Health Department. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2; Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 and Jessica Connolly, CFO to discuss: the proposed final budget for fiscal year 2019/2020 for the Road Department. Changes were made to: the Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Program fund, Machinery and Equipment Rental funds for all three districts; Machinery and Equipment funds for all three districts, as well as the Road Oil fund.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

The Board met with Tom Rummel, Sheriff; Lanny Hensley, Undersheriff; Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention and Theresa Milner, Office Administrator to discuss: the proposed final budget for fiscal year 2019/2020 for the Sheriff's Office. No changes were made to the Sheriff's Office fiscal year 2019/2020 budget.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 3:10 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
August 22, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Glen E. Magera as Acting Presiding Officer while Commissioner Cox, Presiding Officer was attending another meeting in Noxon, MT. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Acting Presiding Officer Glen E. Magera opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District and Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant. New Business: Jason Peterson put in for new containers in his fiscal year 2019/2020 budget. Kathy Conlin and Mr. Peterson will work up bullet points for a comprehensive article for the local newspapers concerning the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station, financials, recycling, etc. Mr. Peterson advised a paint sprayer was purchased for upgrading current containers. Unfinished Business: Discussion was held on ash disposal at the current SW transfer station. Mr. Peterson discussed private haulers bringing refuse loads to the new transfer station site when open. Mrs. Conlin discussed the Trout Creek Bridge closure tentatively scheduled for 2020. Recycling Report: 43 bales of Cardboard (16 bales were shipped with Knerr Inc.); 7 bales of Aluminum Cans; 250 yards of Metal Pile and 5 pallets of Batteries. There was no public present. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator: Ms. Leisz is researching Koo Koo Sint Reach Subdivision and a legal memo will be provided to the Board shortly. Ms. Leisz has filed a lawsuit against Roger Nastase for the Sanders County DUI Task Force for services the DUI Task Force paid for and never received. Follow-up discussion was held on the Peterson road abandonment issue outside of the City of Hot Springs, Montana. Ms. Leisz will follow up with Katherine Maudrone concerning the status on a petition for abandonment. Salish Shore Utility Corporation, Inc. is working with Great West Engineering on the design phase. The County is working on temporary water sources for the short term for the new SW Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station. Ms. Leisz held further discussion on hiring a Deputy County Attorney as a necessity for completing civil or criminal matters, depending on their qualifications.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 10 days without incident. Mr. Wallace will be attending a Montana Association of Counties Safety Training from October 9-10, 2019 in Billings, Montana. Open County Positions: Refuse Site Attendant, Plains Solid Waste Refuse Roll-off Site seeking 2 to 3 "As Needed" employees. Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Lonnie Jennings as a Relief Attendant for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussions were held on: the Sanders County Fairgrounds- the County has loaned Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance to the Sanders County Fairgrounds for work related to preparations for the Sanders County Fair. Mr. Wallace is waiting for Performance Appraisals from the following offices: Sheriff's Office and the Weed Department.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Baldy Mountain Reserve Phased Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker motioned to grant a variance from the Road Design Standards of the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations per #7(a) of table 1: maximum road length of 1000 feet. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Brooker motioned to grant preliminary approval of Baldy Mountain Reserve Phased Subdivision with the following proposed conditions, findings of facts and conclusions: 1) That a public road easement be granted to Sanders County from the USFS for the portion of NFSR 1025/Corona Road in Warranty Deed Volume 67 Page 264. 2) That improvements be made to the section of Corona Road being deeded to Sanders County, noted above in the #1 to standards agreed upon by the District 1 Road Foreman. 3) That a controlled-access easement be established on the Corona Road frontage of these lots noting on the face of the final plat that a permit must be obtained from the County to access Corona Rd. 4) That all private roads be built and State DNRC roads be improved to current subdivision road standards, the names approved by Rural Addressing and a road name signs erected prior to or concurrent with final plat. 5) That all road cut and fill areas and other sites disturbed by road construction are reseeded, adequate erosion control measures established and treated for noxious weeds prior to final plat approval. 6) That a Homeowners Association shall be formed and be named as beneficiary of the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, herein referred to as CC&R's. Articles of Incorporation shall be filed with the Secretary of State's office. 7) That restrictive covenants contain the following language "These covenants may not be repealed or amended without the prior written consent of the Board of Sanders County Commissioners." 8) That a road maintenance agreement for all roads in this subdivision be included in the CC&R's, managed by the Homeowners Association. 9) That this subdivision files a Waiver of the Right to Protest a Rural Special Improvement District for the construction, maintenance and other improvements of roads with final plat. 10) That the Plains Post Office be contacted for requirement of an off-roadway area or centralized rural mail delivery outside public road easements and designate this on the final plat. Maintenance of this area must be addressed in the road maintenance agreement. 11) That the subdivider contact the Sanders County Land Services Department for a Noxious Weed and Revegetation Plan and complete initial treatment prior to the final plat approval. Continuous treatment of noxious weeds shall be addressed in the CC&R's. 12) That the subdivision complies with the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations for Fire Protection. The exact method of compliance must be determined and met prior to final plat approval. 13) That "No Build Zones" be identified on the final plat in area of 25% or greater slope and at the apex of fire chimneys. 14) That a Fire Prevention and Control Plan identifying hazardous vegetation, treatment and maintenance be included in the CC&R's and implemented prior to final plat approval. 15) That the subdivision complies with the design standards adopted by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality and the Sanders County Wastewater Regulations. Prior to final plat approval of all lots less than 20 acres in size must be approved by the Montana DEQ as the reviewing authority. 16) That new lots owners be provided with "Ready, Set Go!" to educate them on landscaping and building standards in the Wildland Urban Interface, herein referred to as the WUI and this document incorporated in the CC&R's. 17) That new lot owners be provided with information on living with wildlife, encouraging measures to prevent attracting wildlife and be incorporated in the CC&R's. 18) That the final subdivision shall comply with all requirements of the Sanders County Subdivision

Regulations, Sanders County Wastewater Regulations, and the laws and administrative rules of the State of Montana. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Brooker motioned to grant preliminary approval of Phase 1 of Baldy Mountain Reserve Phased Subdivision with no additional conditions, findings of fact and conclusions. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 1:45 p.m. and resumed at the Presiding Officer.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

The Board has consensus to execute the Notice to Proceed between Sanders County and St. Clair Construction, Inc., for the Sanders County Road District No. 3 Shop Building Project.

The Board has consensus to execute the Agreement between Sanders County and St. Clair Construction, Inc., for the Sanders County Road District No. 3 Shop Building Project.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Acting Secretary
Kathy Conlin

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA August 28, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Bob Vosen, Acting District Administrator, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT); Justin Juelfs, Maintenance Chief (Kalispell), MDT; Donny Pfeifer, Pre-Construction, MDT; John Schmidt, Acting District Construction Operations Engineer, MDT and Ben Nunallee, District Projects Engineer, MDT to discuss: project updates for Sanders County. (MDT Project Map is available in the Commissioners' files) Further discussion was held on the Clark Fork River Bridge Rehabilitation, north of Trout Creek, Montana. The bridge rehabilitation will extend the useful service life of the bridge which was originally constructed in 1958. The proposed work will include replacing the existing concrete deck, painting some of the structural steel, repairing the existing structure elements as necessary, and reconstructing the roadway to match the new bridge deck.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 16 days without incident. Open County Positions: Relief Attendant, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District is seeking a few applicants, the position is open until September 13, 2019. Mr. Wallace advised there are two departments who potentially have employees that will utilize the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) for non-work related matters. An update was provided on the employee Performance Appraisal process. Mr. Wallace is waiting for two departments: Sheriff's office and the Weed Department for submittals.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering and Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District to discuss: the Refuse Plan for the ash pile at the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal Transfer Station. Also in attendance was Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian. Mr. Church advised the County to consider land application of the ash on a minimum of 49 acres of land area to meet the requirements of nitrogen uptake. Once the County has chosen land to apply the ash the County will need to notify the Department of Environmental Quality of the locations. Further discussion was held on the temporary water for the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station. Mr. Church proposed purchasing a 1,000 gallon water tank with a pump and pressure tank and placing it on the Maintenance Shop

floor until such time the County is informed whether or not they can hook into the Salish Shores Utility Corporation public water system.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Byler Minor Subdivision. Ms. Maudrone will have a Noxious Weed and Vegetation Plan for approval next week.

The Board met with John Gubel, District Ranger, Kootenai National Forest and Jeff Muenster, Fire Management Officer, Kootenai National Forest to discuss: the Cabinet Ranger District of the Kootenai National Forest is planning a fall prescribed burn of up to 2,400 acres associated with the Minton-Trout Creek Project. Mr. Muenster advised that the forest service could light off ignition as soon as Sunday, September 1, 2019. The site will be aerially ignited using helicopters.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Change Order No. 2 for St. Clair Construction, Inc., for the Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Montana Wool Growers Association Predator Control Fund Memorandum of Understanding between Sanders County and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) APHIS Wildlife Services Program. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 142 between Sanders County and Wayne Dykstra. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the WIC Program Satellite Agreement between Sanders County and Mineral County Health Department in order to extend to Mineral County the services of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to reappoint Don Stamm to the Plains/Paradise Public Library Board for a 5 year term. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA September 4, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, September 04, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 23 days without incident. Open County Positions: Relief Attendant, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District is seeking a few applicants, the position is open until September 13, 2019. Mr. Wallace is in the process of updating the HR Policy Handbook. The last update to the policy handbook was October 1, 2017. Further discussion was held on the Sick Leave Fund in the HR Policy Handbook and how the fund works.

The Board met with Jessica Connolly, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to discuss: the proposed final budget for fiscal year 2019/2020. Mrs. Connolly advised the Paradise Lighting District should not be levying this year due to an excess of reserve funds. Mrs. Connolly requested a meeting be scheduled between the Board and the Paradise Lighting District

to discuss the reserve funds. Also in attendance were: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2. Further discussion was held on Road District No. 1's fiscal year budget for 2019/2020. Mr. Bache requested an additional \$100,000.00 be added to the Asphalt and Road Oil budget for Road District No. 1. The Board has consensus to add \$100,000.00 to that line item. Mrs. Connolly will make the change before the budget is adopted tomorrow, September 5, 2019.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Magera left the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve August 13-15th, 20, 22 & 28th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 1:45 p.m.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the claim for the indigent burial of Susan Roberts of Hot Springs, Montana. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 1:50 p.m.

The Board met with Ashley Blaylock, GIS/Rural Addressing to discuss: Ms. Blaylock went around Sanders County for three days last week with Matt Pearce from Mapping and Planning Specialist, Inc., and completed mapping of some areas. Ms. Blaylock reached out to Sanders County post offices and introduced herself as the new GIS/Rural Addressing employee for Sanders County. A request was made to purchase a handheld GPS unit due to the Windows tablet being unreliable because Ms. Blaylock is unable to get technician support for the Windows tablet. Further discussion was held on Ms. Blaylock being the only certified Infant Car Seat Technician in Sanders County. Because of that fact the State of Montana has provided fourteen car seats for Ms. Blaylock to provide to residents of Sanders County. Six car seats can be provided to anyone requesting one, eight car seats must be provided to low income individuals.

The Board met with Ernie Scherzer, Sanders County Community Housing Organization (SCCHO) to discuss: the grant Sanders County received for the County-wide Housing Assessment through the Rural Community Development Initiative. Also in attendance were: Annie Wooden, the Sanders County Ledger; Paula Nelson, Member, SCCHO; Sandra Gubel, Member, SCCHO; Marty Humphreys, Member, SCCHO; Thomas Humphreys, Member, SCCHO; Carol Seilhmyer, Member, SCCHO and Jen Kreiner, Sanders County Community Development Corporation. Further discussion was held on the SCCHO Board structure following the implementation of the grant. Mr. Scherzer advised he will set a SCCHO Board meeting date and time shortly for the SCCHO Board to meet and make decisions on the grant and their employee structure.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
September 5, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, September 05, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: the adoption of 2019/2020 Fiscal Year Budget, Tax Levies and Elected Officials Salaries. Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-18 A Resolution Adopting the Sanders County Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-19 A Resolution to Fix the Sanders County Tax Mill Levies for Fiscal Year 2019/2020. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-20 A Resolution for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Elected Official Salaries. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Also in attendance was Annie Wooden, the Sanders County Ledger.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Hannan Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve Preliminary Approval of Hannan Minor Subdivision with the following conditions, findings of facts and conclusions: 1) That both lots participate in the Road Maintenance Agreement/MISC 4364 & Protective Covenants MISC/4363 on file in the Clerk & Records Office and this be noted on the face of the final plat. 2) That the subdivider contact the Sanders County Land Services Department for A Noxious Weed and Revegetation Plan and complete initial treatment prior to final plat approval. 3) That the subdivision complies with the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations for Fire Protection. The exact method of compliance must be determined and met prior to final plat approval. 4) That the subdivision complies with the design standards adopted by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality and the Sanders County Wastewater Regulations. Prior to Final Plat approval all lots less than 20 acres in size must be approved by the Montana DEQ as the reviewing authority under MCA 76-4-101. 5) That the final subdivision shall comply with all requirements of the Sanders County Subdivision Regulations, Sanders County Wastewater Regulations, and the laws and administrative rules of the State of Montana. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on Byler Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve the Noxious Weed and Vegetation Plan for Byler Minor Subdivision with the stipulation that the subdivision be monitored for completion of the plan. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the account period of July 2019.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: an error that has occurred on the Black Mountain Software the County utilizes. Mrs. Scribner stated that research showed that the error occurred when an Appraiser for the Department of Revenue made changes in August 2019. Ms. Scribner will keep the Board informed of the situation and advise the Board of a remedy to the situation once one has been found.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: Sanders County Fair inspections during the weekend of August 29, 2019. Approximately 20 temporary and 5 mobile inspections were conducted. Charlotte Mandich's well was reinstalled 8/31/2019 and service was restored to Mrs. Mandich. The well was not disinfected nor was bacteriological sampling conducted. Environmental staff continue to participate on the periphery of this project. Staff are assisting Flatiron Trailer Court with water activities in response to several positive total coliform samples. Water sampling regulations are vague for trailer courts that are not on a public water supply. Therefore, staff have conducted extensive research and follow-up with the Department of Public Health and Human (DPHHS) Services and the Department of Environmental Quality to ensure proper guidance is provided. A report of foodborne illness was reported to Environmental Health. Two individuals reported becoming ill after eating at a local restaurant. Staff responded as outlined in the Sanders County Foodborne Illness Investigation policy and procedure manual. Evidence found did not link the reported illness to a specific food or location. With concurrence from DPHHS the incident was closed. Statistics are as follows: Inspections- 180 licensed establishments, 30% complete, Temporary Events- 34 in fiscal year 2020, Soil/Site Analyses- 38 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 36 permits in fiscal

year 2020, Water/Well Permits- 21 permits in fiscal year 2020, Local Subdivision Reviews- 24 in fiscal year 2020, Junk Vehicles- 19 vehicles in fiscal year 2020 and Food Training- two classes planned in fiscal year 2020.

The Board adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
September 10, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Duane Highcrane, Plains, Montana Lions Club requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Plains Lions Club and activities at the 2019 Sanders County Fair. Also in attendance was: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Chuck Wassinger, Member, Plains Lions Club (PLC) and Ron Robinson, Member, PLC. Commissioner Brooker requested a copy of the contract with the Plains Lions Club that was executed in 2017 with the Sanders County Fair Commission. Mr. Highcrane advised he would obtain a copy from Ken Matthiesen, Member, PLC. Mr. Highcrane requested reimbursement from the County for services rendered during the 2019 Sanders County Fair. Mrs. Scribner located the Claim submitted by the Sanders County Fair Commission and will have a check on today's date for the Plains Lion Club. Further discussion was held on this year's promoter for the 2019 Sanders County Fair Demolition Derby. The PLC Members requested that the Sanders County Fair Commission bring back the past promoter for the Sanders County Fair Demolition Derby.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 9:30 a.m.

Commissioner Brooker left the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest to discuss: timber sales: the Too Short timber sale was awarded to the Idaho Forest Group, and the Swamp Eddy timber sale is out for public comment. Additional acres will be added to the Swamp Eddy timber sale due to a timber moth infestation. The seasonal recreation employees are done for the season. Trail and fire crews are still out in the field. This year the fire crews cut 150 miles of trail in two weeks. Clear Creek and the Black Sheep areas have an abundance of firewood. A press release will be sent out to notify the public on the areas open for firewood gathering. Ms. Carey advised that fire season is unofficially over and the Lolo NF is still prepping for prescribed burns. An update for the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) was provided. At this time the RAC applications are undergoing the vetting process. Hopefully RAC applicants will be selected in November 2019 and have their first meeting in December of 2019.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 29 days without incident. Open County Positions: Relief Attendant, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District is posted until September 13, 2019 and is seeking a few applicants. Mr. Wallace is in the process of updating the HR Policy Handbook and will have a draft ready sometime next week. Further discussion was held on two departments Mr. Wallace is waiting for submittals from for the Performance Appraisal process: Sheriff's office and the Weed Department.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Pay Request No. 13 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 140 between Sanders County and Alan Renard. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Notice of Termination of Airport Hangar (Area B-3) with Joseph Wengerd for Plains Airport, Sanders County, Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Aircraft Hangar Ground Lease with Plains Airport, Sanders County, Montana between Sanders County and Everett and Wanda Reynolds for Area B-3. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Aircraft Hangar Ground Lease with Thompson Falls, Airport, Sanders County, Montana between Sanders County and Ernest Burwell for Lots 4, 4A and Lot 6. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board requested to meet with Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District and Rich Wallace, Director of HR to discuss: the Backhoe at the Plains, MT Roll-off site for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District. A complaint was made on the Backhoe stating the Backhoe had not been serviced at all in over 800 hours and had the original filters on it. Mr. Peterson stated the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District has completed oil changes and filter replacements on the Backhoe at least a few times since leased. Mr. Peterson is unaware of which operator was in use of the Backhoe when the puncture occurred on the Def tank. Mr. Peterson stated that the incident appears to have occurred when the brush pile was being moved at the roll-off site and a log/branch pushed the bottom ladder rung (which is made of rubber not metal) through the Def tank and caused it to be punctured. Further discussion was held on a Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Attendant that is terminating his employment with the County due to medical reasons. The Board has consensus to pay out the individual's sick leave fund.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
September 11, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 for the quarterly Road Foreman Meeting to discuss: the fiscal year 2019/2020 Final Budget. The budget was adopted on September 5, 2019. Further discussion was held on the Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability (BaRSAA) Program 2019 Allocation to Sanders County. Sanders County received \$92,342.06. Mr. Bache will follow up with Jennifer Ekberg to finalize a resolution to request distribution of Sanders County's 2019 BaRSAA funds from the Montana Department of Transportation.

The Board met with Department Heads for their quarterly meeting. In attendance were: Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services; Melissa Cady, Manager, Sanders County Fair; Judson Shively, Coordinator, Sanders County Weed District; Ashley Blaylock, GIS/Rural Addressing; Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management; Theresa Milner, Office Administrator, Sheriff's Office; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; Candace Fisher, Clerk of District Court; Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR); Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2; Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator; Tom Rummel, Sheriff and Karen Morey, Director of Public Health. There was no Old Business. New Business: Rich Wallace advised the Sanders County Human Resources Policy Handbook needs to be updated. Mr. Wallace will update the policy handbook this fall and will notify all employees of the changes as well as provide a three week time period for employees to provide feedback on the proposed changes. Mr. Wallace provided a refresher course on the County time card and instructions for proper use. Mr. Wallace provided topic review on the HR Policy Handbook sections on Time Off Without Pay and the Sick Leave Fund. Commissioner Cox advised the fiscal year 2019/2020 Final Budget was adopted on September 5, 2019 and a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) was provided to employees at 3.4% along with pay increases submitted by Department Heads. Mr. Wallace advised that the 2018 Consumer Price Index (CPI) provided by Montana Association of Counties (MACo) recommended a 2.4% COLA. However, the Board realized that the County needs to catch up with the marketed wages and therefore increased the COLA by another 1.0%. Jennifer Ekberg provided the policy's for the United States Postal Service (USPS) and the United Parcel Service (UPS) for refund requests and services not rendered. Department Head Updates: Nichol Scribner advised budgets have been approved. The Treasurer's office is working on keeping lines down for patrons that are waiting for services. The Treasurer's department, as well as other offices in the Courthouse are receiving numerous complaints and fielding calls on the Montana Driver's Examiners office concerning the frustration people have setting up an appointment with the Driving Examiner. When people call the 866 #, they are on hold far too long (a minimum of 45 minutes) and at times cannot complete the process. Scheduling online is also difficult, as people are opposed to the idea of having to set up an account online. The online option is just not feasible for many senior citizens and individuals that do not have internet access. Mrs. Scriber requested letters to be written so that she may provide them to the Montana Department of Motor Vehicles- Regional Manager of Licensing. Mrs. Scribner advised the Election office is also gearing up for the 2020 Elections. Judson Shively, weed season is winding down and the Weed District Shop will be closing sometime in late October for the season. A new grass (Ventenata) is causing concern in Sanders County. A Ventenata Workshop is tentatively scheduled for September 30, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Sanders County Fairgrounds in Plains, Montana. Karen Morey is finishing up with Kindergarten immunizations and is starting set up for senior center influenza immunizations. Melissa Cady advised the 2019 Sanders County Fair was a success. Ms. Cady thanked Ben Bache and his road crew as well as the Clerk and Recorder's office for their help with the 2019 Sanders County Fair. Matt Dombach, the heating/cooling system for the Courthouse is almost complete. Commissioner Cox advised Department Heads that if they borrow Mr. Dombach's tools when he is not around please let Mr. Dombach know as well as return the item when done. Bill Naegeli, the Great American Shake Out Drill (earthquake drill) will be held October 17, 2019 at 10:17 a.m. Mr. Naegeli is working on the 1st quarter of this year's Emergency Preparedness Grant (EMPG). There is a Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting September 13, 2019 at 12:30 p.m. at the Thompson Falls Fire Hall. Anyone interested may attend the meeting. Ashley Blaylock, new computers will be ordered. Because of the expense in purchasing the new computers Department Heads and the Clerk and Recorder's office will be the only recipients of the new computers for this budget year. Ms. Blaylock advised that a majority of her budget expense is toner for printers and requested Department Heads to provide her with any suggestions to cut down on this expense. Ms. Blaylock' suggestion was to have one main computer printer for departments instead of each employee having their own small printer. Tom Rummel is glad that the fair is over and this year only a few people were removed from the fairgrounds. Commissioner Brooker invited everyone to tomorrow's employee Taco Bar potluck. Commissioner Cox provided an update on the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station which is scheduled to be complete by the middle of October 2019. Fairly soon construction should begin on the new Beaver Creek Road Shop. Commissioner Magera advised due to the County being unable to locate water on the new Solid Waste Transfer Station property a temporary cistern will be installed with a possible chance of the County obtaining water from the Salish Shores Utility Corporation, Inc. in the summer of 2020.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
September 12, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Byler Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve final plat of Byler Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Ms. Maudrone presented the South Hill Ridge Subdivision Noxious Weed and Vegetation Plan. Commissioner Magera will follow up with Bill Naegeli to discuss additional information needed for the Noxious Weed and Vegetation Plan. A Request for Agriculture Exemption was made by Don Detienne for 80 acres on Cottonwood Road in Hot Springs, MT. The Board requests a meeting be scheduled with the spokesperson for the Request for Agriculture Exemption.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Clark Fork Valley Hospital and Mental Health commitments. Ms. Leisz will follow up with Dr. Gregory Hanson, Clark Fork Valley Hospital and Abby Harnett, Executive Director, Western Montana Mental Health Center (Sanders/Lincoln Counties).

Dan Lapan, Area Manager, Department of Revenue requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a letter that was written by the Sanders County Board of Commissioners on September 5, 2019 requesting information as to the reason 21 properties in Sanders County remained in the taxable status even though exemption applications had been filed with the Sanders County Department of Revenue Office. Mr. Lapan advised that no application in 2019 were submitted from the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) to place properties into trust.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve September 4-5th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Magera did not return at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 1:30 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw Warrants in the amount of \$479,983.27. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board requested to meet with Gale Decker, District 3, Lake County Commissioner and Dave Stipe, District 2, Lake County Commissioner via teleconference as they were not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a conversation that was held between the Sanders County Commissioners and Dan Lapan earlier today in regards to the CSKT Trust Exemptions. Mr. Decker stated the Bureau of Indian Affairs is submitting exemption application on behalf of CSKT and Mr. Decker does not believe the exemption applications are complete. Mr. Decker advised the Department of Revenue has not sent any land splits or transfers to the Lake County Treasurer's Office in the past 6-weeks. The Board advised that Sanders County has not received any land splits or transfers in that time frame as well. Further discussion was held on the court case between Lake County and CSKT.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
September 18, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Glen E. Magera as Acting Presiding Officer while Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer is absent. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Acting Presiding Officer Glen E. Magera opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Board Meeting. In attendance were: Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary and Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve July 17, 2019 and August 22, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Becky DelGiudice, Owner, B& P Services informally requested that the new Solid Waste Transfer Station be made available when B& P Services dump their fire camp garbage. Mr. Peterson advised he will work with B& P Services when the time comes. Mr. Peterson and the Board held discussion on the attendants as well as the SW Relief Attendants handling petty cash at the roll-off sites. The Board has consensus that upon termination of employment with Sanders County an employee returns petty cash, deposits, receipt books and keys before the last payroll check is disbursed. Mr. Peterson requested 2-petty cash bags be created for two new SW Relief Attendants. Mrs. Conlin advised she will set up the bags for Mr. Peterson for the new Relief Attendants. Unfinished Business: Commissioner Brooker inquired as to the pending items listed on the new SW Improvement Project list which included: a loading dock change order, security camera system and additional paving at the new Solid Waste Transfer Station. Mr. Peterson advised those items are not being considered at this time. The security camera system and additional paving shall be removed from the pending items list. Mr. Peterson did advise all three roll-off sites are trespassed and vandalized at least once a week. The Board advised when the construction for the SW System Improvements Project is complete Mr. Peterson can research security cameras from Mission Valley Security if he so chooses. Mrs. Conlin would like to work on an article with Mr. Peterson for the local newspapers to run in October 2019 on the new SW Transfer Station. Mr. Peterson advised the Board that Pacific Steel will be arriving in October 2019 to recycle the County's metal pile. The Board requested Mr. Peterson to provide an update to Dan Clarige, Owner, Thompson River Lumber (TRL) on the status of the new Transfer Station due to the County having to vacate TRL land by the end of December 2019. Recycling Report: 47 bales of Cardboard; 3 bales of Aluminum Cans (4 bales were shipped out on 9/12/2019); 150+ yards of Metal Pile and 4 pallets of Batteries (1 pallet load was shipped out on 9/17/2019). There was no public present. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update-37 days without incident. Open County Positions: Relief Attendant, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Wallace will be conducting interviews on Friday, September 20, 2019 to fill two open positions. The Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Hailey Coe ending her employment on September 10, 2019. The Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Pat McKenzie ending his employment on September 12, 2019. Mr. Wallace inquired as to whether recent retirees should receive the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). The Board has consensus to provide the COLA to the retirees. Further discussion was held on updating the HR Policy Handbook. A review of proposed changes were read.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering via teleconference and Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District to discuss: an update on the SW System Improvements Project. Mr. Church provided a project budget update for September 18, 2019. With the pending items removed from the estimated remaining contingency for the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development loan the remaining contingency is \$38,300.00.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Keister Minor Subdivision. Mr. Keister has requested a release of his deposit per conditions having been met in his Noxious Weed and Vegetation Plan. The Board has consensus to release Mr. Keister's deposit. Further discussion was held on the City of Plains, Montana relocating the sewer lagoon for the city. Commissioner Brooker will follow up with Bill Burkland, Robert Peccia & Associates at the Montana Association of Counties (MACo) Annual Conference in Great Falls, Montana.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-21 A Resolution Requesting Distribution of Local Government Road Construction and Maintenance Match Program Funds. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 147 between Sanders County and Sue Apodaca. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Task Order 20-07-5-01-045-0 between Sanders County and the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (MT DPHHS) covering the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2026 for the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Program. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Task Order 20-07-5-21-017-0 between Sanders County and the MT DPHHS covering the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2026 for the WIC Program. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Karval Pickering to the Paradise Cemetery Association for a three year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Mike Tempero to the Hot Springs TV District for a two year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA September 26, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the accounting period of August 2019. Further discussion was on moving the County's credit card processing company from Merchant E-solutions to Montana Interactive. The Board has consensus to change from Merchant E-Solutions to Montana Interactive.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update-45 days without incident. Open County Positions: Relief Attendant, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Peter Reinschmidt as a new Relief Attendant effective September 28, 2019. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Administrative Assistant, Fair, Mr. Wallace will

post internally today. Deputy Sheriff, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Robyn Largent's retirement effective September 25, 2019. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Mr. Wallace provided a copy of the Sanders County Fair Policy Manual. A draft of changes made to the Fair Policy Manual will be provided next week to the Board by Mr. Wallace.

Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: an update on the Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Work Change Directive No. 2 with St. Clair Construction, Inc. on the Sanders County Solid Waste System Improvements Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Retail Sales Agreement between Sanders County and Titan Machinery for the new Case 580SN Backhoe. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Pay Request No. 14 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Amended Resolution 2019-01 A Resolution of the Sanders County Board of Health to authorize the Sanders County Sanitarian to administer Wastewater Control and Disposal Regulations on a case-by-case basis for parcels within the Sanders County Sewer District at Paradise until such time the Sanders County Sewer District at Paradise Community Wastewater System is constructed and operational. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve September 10-12th, 2019 and September 18th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Sales Order Agreement between Sanders County and Election Systems & Software (ES&S). Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to reappoint Ross Middlemist to the Sanders County Weed District board for a two year term. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to appoint Randy Robinson to the Paradise Improvement District for a three year term. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: an update on the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant (EMPG); Mr. Naegeli requested a Commissioner attend the Local Emergency Planning Committee meetings and provided information on upcoming conferences and workshops Mr. Naegeli will be attending.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 2:00 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw Warrants in the amount of \$64,728.45. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 03, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, October 03, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: South Hill Ridge Subdivision. Mr. Ben Traver and Mr. Ray Langford have set a time on the Board's Agenda next week to discuss South Hill Ridge Subdivision along with Ms. Maudrone.

The Board met with Jen Kreiner, Executive Director, Sanders County Community Development Corporation (SCCDC) to discuss: MCA § 2-18-702 Group insurance for public employees and officers. Also in attendance was Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources. Jen Kreiner addressed MCA § 2-18-702 (b) requesting Sanders County consider her participating in the County's insurance plans. Mrs. Kreiner also requested if she was eligible the County could cover her insurance cost in lieu of the monies the County provides to support SCCDC. Mr. Wallace will follow up with the County's insurance provided to see if Jen Kreiner is eligible to participate under Blue Cross Blue Shields policies. Further discussion was held on the County receiving the Rural Community Development Initiative Grant through the United States Department of Agriculture for the County-wide Housing Assessment and internal capacity building.

Donnie Pfeifer, Missoula Engineer, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) via teleconference requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: Blue Slide Road and the upcoming Trout Creek Bridge Rehabilitation. Mr. Pfeifer is working on a proposed agreement with the County for MDT to provide a reimbursable amount of money to the County to make safety repairs on Blue Slide Road on MDT's behalf. Mr. Pfeifer stated that there might also be reactive maintenance funds to the County on Blue Slide Road due to the increased amount of traffic because of the Trout Creek Bridge Rehabilitation and Blue Slide Road being utilized as an unofficial detour. Further discussion was held on Marten Creek Road being utilized as an unofficial detour route during the Trout Creek Bridge Rehabilitation Project for only local residents. Also in attendance was Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Montana Twentieth Judicial District Court, Sanders County Cause No. 19-37 Raymond Kree Kirkman vs. Sanders County, Montana; Christopher Stough; and Nadia Kirkman. Further discussion was held on vehicles on the County right-of-way in Paradise, Montana. Ms. Leisz discussed hiring a Deputy County Attorney under contract. Also in attendance was Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update-52 days without incident. Open County Positions: Fair Administrative Assistant, the open position is posted externally until October 25, 2019. Deputy Sheriff, the open position is posted externally until October 25, 2019. The Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Hal Christenson resigning from the Sanders County Weed District effective October 16, 2019. The Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for the retirement of Judson Shively, Coordinator, Sanders County Weed District effective October 25, 2019. Commissioner Magera motioned to accept the withdrawal of Shelly Wrightson from her Terminal Access Coordinator (TAC) duties with a decrease in pay. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve William Brown accepting the duties for TAC and with an increase in pay as well as the stipulation that Mr. Brown and Ms. Wrightson cannot switch duties for TAC again. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on the law that was passed in the last legislative session requiring background checks on Treasurer's office employees. Commissioner Brooker advised Mr. Wallace that MACo is setting up a meeting with the Attorney General to look into the Constitutional Rights that this law is infringing on.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: a failed wastewater system in Trout Creek, Montana. Montana Association of Counties (MACo) retained legal counsel for this case and all correspondence must go through the MACo attorney. Environmental staff had a preliminary discussion with the attorney and are now providing requested documentation. Statistics are as follows: Inspections- 180 licensed establishments, 35% complete, Temporary Events- 35 in fiscal year 2020, Soil/Site Analyses- 41 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater Permits- 52 permits in fiscal year 2020, Water/Well Permits- 28 permits in fiscal year 2020, Local Subdivision Reviews- 32 in fiscal year 2020, Junk Vehicles- 19 vehicles in fiscal year 2020 and Food Training- two classes planned in fiscal year 2020.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve September 26, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Jim Brown to the Whitepine Cemetery Board for a three year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering via teleconference; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District and Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 to discuss: the ash pile at the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station. Mr. Bache advised the road department can screen the ash for rocks and other debris and load the ash for Republic Services to haul to the Missoula landfill if Republic Services is willing to haul the ash. Mr. Church will contact Republic Services to request a quote to haul the ash.

The Board adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA October 08, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 08, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest to discuss: timber sales, fire crews, proposed recreational fee increases and the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC). The RAC has undergone the vetting process and Ms. Carey is hopeful that the applicants will be submitted to the Regional Forester within the next few weeks for approval.

The Board met with Ben Traver, Travers Excavating to discuss: South Hill Ridge Subdivision. Also in attendance was Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management. Mr. Traver advised that he would be requesting a variance for a road in the subdivision. Commissioner Magera and Mr. Naegeli advised why a loop road would be necessary for the subdivision. Both ingress and egress are needed for emergency personnel in case of an emergency to enter and exit the subdivision. The Board will follow up with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services per Mr. Travers requests for additional information on the roads for South Hill Ridge Subdivision.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Fiscal Year 2020 Extension Services Agreement between Montana State University Extension and Sanders County, Montana. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant Annual Certification Form from October 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Northern Lights, Inc. Construction Agreement, Billing Information Sheet and Right-Of-Way Easement for the Sanders County Road District No. 3 Shop Project between Sanders County and Northern Lights, Inc. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Jennifer Gallagher via teleconference to discuss: Ms. Gallagher's request for a refund on her property taxes. Ms. Gallagher submitted a Request for Review to the Department of Revenue in 2017 on Geo Code: 35-3092-25-4-01-20-0000, 35-3092-25-4-01-25-0000 and 35-3092-25-4-01-27-0000. The Department of Revenue sent Determination Letters on the three properties stating based on market conditions, "properties" value at fair market value. February 2019 the three properties finally sold for \$270,000.00, \$50,000.00 and \$50,000.00. The sales were well below the County's Assessed Value. May 2019 with the sales complete and the proof of sales in hand, Ms. Gallagher submitted Requests for Review to the Department of Revenue. Ms. Gallagher received statements from the Department of Revenue stating "... as you are no longer the legal owner of this parcel, you no longer possess rights to appeal the valuation." Therefore, per MCA § 15-16-603 Refund of taxes—limitation on refunds Ms. Gallagher is presenting her appeal to the Sanders County Board of Commissioners and requesting a refund back to 2017 and if possibly back to 2015 where a drastic increase on her property taxes was evident. The Board has consensus to take this matter under advisement for further review. Also in attendance was Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools.

The Board adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 10, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: South Hill Ridge Subdivision. Ms. Maudrone will follow up with Ben Traver and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3 for a site visit to the subdivision.

The Board adjourned at 10:45 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Brooker did not join the Board at 1:30 p.m. due to her attendance at the Sanders County Community Housing Organization Capacity Building and Housing Assessment Project Meeting.

Commissioner Magera proceeded to audit claims at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Cox joined and assisted Commissioner Magera with Claims at 2:00 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$203,071.97.

The Board met with Karen Morey, Director of Public Health to discuss: the Sanders County Public Health Department would like to hold the next County Health and Wellness Fair in the spring of 2020. The Board has consensus for Ms. Morey to hold the wellness fair. Ms. Morey advised Public Health has received a \$10,000.00 grant from the Frisbie Marbella Foundation and she has applied for monies from the Town Pump Charitable Foundation and the Sanders County Bowling League will be having a fundraiser in November to support the Backpack Program in Sanders County. The cost of funding backpack has increased from \$4.00 to \$4.25. The checklist for review and approval of a Local Health Jurisdiction Non-Pharmaceutical Intervention Plan/Protocol was presented to the Board. The Board has consensus to execute the Local Health Jurisdiction Non-Pharmaceutical Intervention Plan/Protocol. Ms. Morey requested to work October 14, 2019 and bank the paid Columbus Day holiday for a later date to have off. The Board has consensus for Ms. Morey and Lisa Richmond to work on Monday, October 14, 2019 and to take the paid day off at a later date.

The Board met with Wayne Freeman, Lead Appraiser Region 1B, Department of Revenue (DOR); Zac Leeman, Appraiser, DOR and Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: a Request for Review submitted to the DOR in 2017 on Geo Code: 35-3092-25-4-01-20-0000, 35-3092-25-4-01-25-0000 and 35-3092-25-4-01-27-0000. Zac Leeman advised the Board on the three Geo Code's that were Requested for Review and stated that on August 22, 2017 the Department of Revenue sent a letter stating an adjustment was not made for the following reasons: sales of comparable property. With an additional note stating based on market conditions, the values as of January 1, 2016 are fair market value. Therefore, no adjustments are necessary for Geo Code: 35-3092-25-4-01-20-0000, 35-3092-25-4-01-25-0000 and 35-3092-25-4-01-27-0000. Mr. Leeman stated that the property owner than had 30 days to appeal to the Sanders County Tax Appeal Board and did not do so. In 2019 a Request for Review was requested for Geo Code: 35-3092-25-4-01-20-0000, 35-3092-25-4-01-25-0000 and 35-3092-25-4-01-27-0000 due to the sales of the three properties. The DOR sent a letter to the property owner stating that they received the request for an Informal Classification and Appraisal Review on Geo Code: 35-3092-25-4-01-20-0000, 35-3092-25-4-01-25-0000 and 35-3092-25-4-01-27-0000. However, as the property owner is no longer the legal owner of this parcel, they no longer possess rights to appeal the valuation. The Sanders County Tax Appeal Board notified the DOR advising the property owners were the legal owners during a portion of the assessment therefore they still have the right to appeal. The property owner appealed to the Sanders County Tax Appeal and was received on July 15, 2019, meeting the timely manner in which to file an appeal. Mr. Leeman stated that the DOR did adjust the property values to reflect the sales of the property. Therefore the Board with consensus made the following decision: The property owner filed an AB-26 with the Department of Revenue in 2017 and the Department of Revenue denied their request. From receiving the denial letter the property owner had 30 days in which to file with the Sanders County Tax Appeal Board and did not. Therefore, the County cannot look at their request for 2017/2018. The property owner filed an appeal with the Sanders County Tax Appeal Board that was received on July 15, 2019. Their appeal was timely and per the sale of their property the Montana Department of Revenue adjusted the assessment for Geo Code 35-3092-25-4-01-20-0000, 35-3092-25-4-01-25-0000 and 35-3092-25-4-01-27-0000. Since the title company would make an estimate of the properties taxes due upon closing of your properties and the department of revenue made an adjustment you should be receiving a refund from the title company for any over payment. Therefore, the County approves a refund for 2019 which should be reimbursed to you by the title company you sold your properties through.

Commissioner Brooker joined the Board at 3:25 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve October 3, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to reappoint Ronelle Helmbrecht to the Heron/Noxon Cemetery District for a three year term. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 15, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with David Williams, President/Founder, Joint Operation Mariposa and Samuel Redfern, President and Chairman, The United States of Hope to discuss: Sanders County obtaining a veterans service officer. Also in attendance were: Greg Hinkle, Citizen; Ron Kilbury, Citizen; Jesse Raymond, Citizen; Ron Chisenhall, Citizen, Edward Foste, Citizen and Annie Wooden, the Sanders County Ledger. David Williams advised that he is in the process of applying for a grant through the Greg Gianforte Foundation for costs to run and operate a veteran's office in Sanders County. A building has already been donated in Thompson Falls, MT to be utilized as an office for a veteran's office in Sanders County. Samuel Redfern requested a letter of support from the Board for a veteran's officer in Sanders County to utilize HB 172.

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 2:30 p.m.

The Board met with Lyle Coney, Area Specialist, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) via teleconference to discuss: the Solid Waste System Improvements Project Rural Development Interim Loan Closing and the proposed bond issuance. Mr. Coney will be at the new Solid Waste Transfer Station on November 6, 2019 to check the new Transfer Station and all the other facilities to conduct a review of the substantial completion of the Solid Waste System Improvements Project. On November 14, 2019 Mr. Coney will meet with the Board to review the status of the project and complete the appropriate checklists to move forward with orders that will close the project effectively on December 12, 2019. Also in attendance was Lisa Wadsworth, Accounts Payable/Claims, Clerk and Recorder.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 16, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant; Becky DelGiudice, Owner, B & P Services and Robert Hicks, B & P Services. Commissioner Magera motioned to approve September 18, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Robert Hicks advised the letter from the SW Refuse Disposal District dated September 4, 2019 would severely affect B & P Services. B & P Services being required to bring their loads to the new site in Thompson Falls during regular business hours will cost B & P thousands of dollars. In addition, the hours of operation at the new Transfer Station are not doable. Mr. Hicks stated it would not be possible for him to be there by 3:30 p.m. Jason Peterson stated that SW could rent B & P Services a container to be utilized at their place of business and would dump the container on a regular basis. Mr. Peterson acknowledges that B & P Services has had this agreement for over twenty years but Sanders County

is growing and the Plains roll-off site needs the container for the public to dump into. All of the other private haulers in Sanders County have for the past two years hauled all the way to the existing Thompson Falls Transfer Station. Commissioner Brooker inquired with Becky DelGiudice as to whether B & P Services would be willing to cost share with the purchase of building another container bay at the Plains roll-off site. Jason Peterson stated that to build another container bay it would cost approximately \$8,000.00 (not including the container). Mrs. DelGiudice stated that she would be willing to look into the matter. The Board advised they would look into purchasing another container bay at the Plains roll-off site. Kathy Conlin presented an article she wrote on Grocery Bags: plastic vs. paper. Kathy Conlin would like to see paper or reusable grocery bags replace plastic bags in Sanders County grocery and convenience stores. Mrs. Conlin stated that McGowan's in Plains, Montana did away with plastic carry-out bags and are providing reusable ones for sale or for free if folks can't afford them. Mrs. Conlin requested an article be published in the Sanders County Ledger and the article be distributed among businesses in Sanders County that use plastic bags. The Board has consensus for Mrs. Conlin to send her article to the Sanders County Ledger as well as businesses in Sanders County. Old Business: Commissioner Magera and Kathy Conlin reviewed McGowan's dumpster usage monitoring assessment and after calculating the amount of refuse brought to the SW Refuse Disposal District they recommended charging McGowan's 32 units a year. Commissioner Brooker motioned to assess McGowan's at 32 units a year. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Recycling Report: there was no report for this meeting. There was no public present. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 64 days without incident. Mr. Wallace is coordinating possible dates with the Lake County Sheriff's office to conduct an Active Shooter training for the Sanders County Courthouse. Mr. Wallace provided information on the Montana Association of Counties (MACo) Safety Coordinator Conference in Billings, Montana that he attended the week of October 7, 2019. Open County Positions: Fair Administrative Assistant, posted externally until October 25, 2019. Deputy Sheriff, posted externally until October 25, 2019. Weed Coordinator, posted internally until October 18, 2019. Weed Control Counter Clerk, will post open position after a Weed Coordinator has been hired. The Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action form for Michelle Ceely as a Refuse Relief Attendant for the SW Refuse Disposal District. Further discussion was held on the HR Policy Handbook and an update on the County Performance Appraisal process.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Cox did not join the Board at 1:30 p.m. due to his attendance at the Sanders County Safety Committee meeting.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 2:00 p.m.

As it was 2:00 p.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Sanders County Board of Health (BOH) meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Dr. Robert Gregg, Member; Dr. Jack Lulack, Member; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian; Tina Scott, Administrative Assistant/Environmental Health and Sandra Gubel, Tobacco Prevention Specialist. Dr. Gregg motioned to approve July 25, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. New Business: Sandra Gubel, Governor Steve Bullock signed an emergency order last week to ban the sale of flavored e-cigarettes for 120 days. Retailers are required to pull all flavored products from their shelves by October 22, 2019. Luka Kinard of High Point, North Carolina spent September 26, 2019 in Sanders County, as a part of a four-day speaking tour. Luka Kinard's story to high school students was that vaping Juul sent him into rehab. A confidential 2019 Youth Risk Behavior survey was provided to high school kids if they wished to participate. 39% stated they had tried cigarette smoking, .7% of students were daily smokers, chewing tobacco, snuff dip, snus, and dissolvable products were used all 30 days in a month by 3.5% of students, 2.11% of students used cigars, cigarillos or little cigars every day in a month and 69% of students have tried an electronic vaping product. 18% of students said they'd tried to quit some/all forms of tobacco in the last 12 months. Red Ribbon week is October 23-31st, 2019. Shawn Sorenson, Sanders County routinely follows up on complaints potentially requiring Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) enforcement. To better document the process, DEQ was asked for, and provided clear instructions for responding to Sanitation in Subdivision Act complaints. The County Attorney is reviewing state law regarding the County's role in enforcing cannabidiol (CBD) policy for licensed food establishments. Cam Carstarphen, Montana Bureau of Mines is actively conducting field work on the Aquifer characterization study and is collecting data in the Plains, Montana area. Environmental Health staff developed a guidance document for tourist home and bed and breakfasts and is actively pursuing unlicensed establishments. In Plains, Montana the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) facility's well contamination has showed recent improvements in ground water contamination according to the DEQ. As a result, several homes have been reconnected to their original wells with continued

monitoring. Sandra Gubel presented an updated on Public Health as Karen Morey was absent stating that as of October 15, 2019 Sanders County Public Health has provided 330 flu shots for the month of October 2019. There was no unfinished business. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 17, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Clark Fork Meadows Subdivision. Jennifer Ekberg set a public hearing for Clark Fork Meadows on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Further discussion was held on the Great American Shakeout earthquake drill on October 17, 2019 at 10:17 a.m.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the Sanders County Council on Aging's Cooperative Agreement. Further discussion was held on the training Ms. Leisz is attending with the Sheriff's office on search warrants and investigative subpoena's.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve October 8 & 10th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 23, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox joined the Board at 10:05 a.m.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the account period of September 2019. Mrs. Scribner advised the 2019 Real Property Tax Statements will be mailed out on today's date. Mrs. Scribner provided an update on the Sanders County Interdisciplinary Child Information and School Safety Team meeting that met for the first ever Sanders County Interdisciplinary Child Information and School Safety Team board meeting on October 22, 2019.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt Amended Resolution 2019-02 Bond Resolution. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 148 between Sanders County and Gloria Bennett. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 71 days without incident. Mr. Wallace provided an update on the Department of Labor Inspection (DOL) on the Heron, Montana Road Shop. Mr. Wallace has left a telephone message with the DOL inspector to discuss the results of the inspection and any correction/actions needed. The Board reviewed and commented on Mr. Wallace's Performance Appraisal goals. The Performance Appraisal will be reviewed again in March of 2020 with Mr. Wallace. Open County Positions: Deputy Coroner, externally posted until November 1, 2019. Fair Administrative Assistant, externally posted until November 1, 2019. Deputy Sheriff, was externally posted until October 25, 2019 but has been extended until November 1, 2019. Weed Coordinator, posted externally until November 1, 2019. Weed Control Counter Clerk, the County will post the open position once a Weed Coordinator has been hired. The Board has consensus to execute the HR Personnel Action form for Digger Powell's retirement effective December 31, 2019 as a Deputy Coroner. The County HR Policy Handbook has been made available for employees to review and comment on by November 5, 2019.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance to discuss: an update of current and finished projects for the Maintenance Department. The Board reviewed and commented on Mr. Dombach's Performance Appraisal goals. The Performance Appraisal will be reviewed again in March of 2020 with Mr. Dombach.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 24, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Ms. Maudrone would like to set up meetings with the County Road Foreman to discuss road standards in subdivisions. The Board then reviewed and commented on Ms. Maudrone's Performance Appraisal goals. The Performance Appraisal will be reviewed again in March of 2020 with Ms. Maudrone.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 11:30 a.m.

The Board met with Jennifer Ekberg, Executive Assistant to: review and comment on Mrs. Ekberg's Performance Appraisal goals. The Performance Appraisal will be reviewed again in March of 2020 with Mrs. Ekberg.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: the Independent Attorney Agreement between Sanders County and Timothy Goen to assist the County in misdemeanor cases venued in the Sanders County Justice Court and periodically provide services on selective criminal district court matters or civil matters. Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute the Independent Attorney Agreement between Sanders County and Timothy Goen effective November 1, 2019. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Magera did not join the Board at 1:30 due to a Sanders County Council on Aging Board meeting he was attending.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve October 15-17th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to grant the following Elected Officials permission to leave the state for short intervals of time during the next sixty days: Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner; Carol Brooker, Commissioner; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner; Doug Dryden, Justice of the Peace; Candace Fisher, Clerk of Court; Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator; Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools and Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cox proceeded to audit County Claims at 2:00 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$159,263.99. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board met with Kathy Conlin, Receptionist to discuss: Mrs. Conlin's Performance Appraisal goals. Mrs. Conlin requested that the meeting be closed. The Board closed the meeting.

The Board met with Bill Naegeli, Office of Emergency Management to discuss: an update on the Disaster Emergency Services (DES) Conference that Mr. Naegeli attended. Mr. Naegeli provided information on upcoming conferences and workshops he will be attending. The Board then reviewed and commented on Mr. Naegeli's Performance Appraisal goals. The Performance Appraisal will be reviewed again in March of 2020 with Mr. Naegeli.

The Board met with Ashley Blaylock, GIS/Rural Addressing to discuss: Ms. Blaylock requested the ability to post on Facebook that she has free car seats available for qualified individuals. The Board has consensus for Ms. Blaylock to post the available car seats on Facebook. Further discussion was on the new mapping services Ms. Blaylock will obtain and learn from Geo Data Services with the Next Generation 9-1-1 Grant Sanders County received. The Board then reviewed and commented on Ms. Blaylock's Performance Appraisal goals. The Performance Appraisal will be reviewed again in March of 2020 with Ms. Blaylock.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 29, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

Commissioner Cox and Commissioner Magera attended the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) Stakeholder's meeting on the Clark Fork Bridge Rehabilitation project in the Sanders County Courthouse. Also in attendance were: Michael George, Kiewit Infrastructure; Tom Rummel, Sheriff; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; John Schmidt, MDT; Bob Vosen, MDT; Bethany Kappes, MDT and Chris Kelly, HDR.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 4 days without incident. Mr. Wallace provided an update on the Active Shooter training sessions that will occur on December 6, 2019 with the assistance of Levi Read, Deputy, Lake County Sheriff. Discussion was held on adding a boot allowance for permanent part-time employees. The Board has consensus to provide \$150.00 for a boot allowance to permanent part-time employees. Mr. Wallace will update the HR Personnel Handbook with these additions. Open County Positions: Deputy Coroner, externally posted until November 1, 2019. Fair Administrative Assistant, externally posted until November 1, 2019. Deputy Sheriff, externally posted until November 1, 2019. Weed Coordinator, externally posted until November 1, 2019. Further discussion was held on an exit interview questionnaire that Mr. Wallace has developed.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:45 p.m.

The Board met with Wade Cebulski, Chief, Airport/Airways Bureau, MDT and Tim Conway, Administrator, Airport/Airways, MDT to discuss and provide a presentation on the: Montana Aeronautics Board and Capitol Improvement Planning for Sanders County Airports. Also in attendance was Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services.

D.J. and Rick Guill of Advanced Solutions were requested by the Board to meet as they were not on the scheduled agenda to discuss: a status update on the Courthouse's new Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system. Mr. Guill advised the system is up and running, however his staff needs to brace the remaining supports for the piping. Mr. Guill advised the Board that he would assist Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance with the hours needed to obtain his Boiler License.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
October 31, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, October 31, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: the annual update to the airport section of the Sanders County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Ms. Maudrone requested guidance on how to interpret the document prepared by Bill Burkland of Robert Peccia and Associates. Further discussion was held on the Traffic Counter counts for Sanders County roads. River Road West registered as the heaviest used with 2,065 vehicles (daily average), and Cottonwood Creek Road with the least amount of traffic at 15 vehicles (daily average). Each traffic counter was placed on a County road for a week at a time to collect data.

Shawna Chenoweth, Supervisor, Detention/Dispatch and Tom Rummel, Sheriff requested to meet with the Board as they were not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the Courthouse replacing their Toshiba PBX phone system with the Blackfoot Ergo phone system. Mrs. Chenoweth advised that because the Sheriff's office has the Solacom telephone system and is hooked onto the Courthouse Toshiba PBX phone system the Sheriff's office will require a new interface for the Solacom system to accommodate the incoming and outgoing call/line functionality when the Courthouse switches to the Blackfoot Ergo telephone system. The Board advised Mrs. Chenoweth to get a quote from Valence Mission Critical Technologies as well as telephone Blackfoot personnel to discuss the situation.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Karen Morey, Director of Public Health requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: a request to process two Indigent Burials.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 11:40 a.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve October 23 & 24th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 150 between Sanders County and Everett Robbins. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Doug Ferrell, Erin Clark, Western MT Field Director, MT Wilderness Association and Allie Maloney, Northwest MT Field Director, MT Wilderness Association to discuss: an update on forest collaborative relationships with the Forest Service. Erin Clark provided an update on the MT Blackfoot Clearwater Stewardship Act. Mr. Ferrell and Ms. Clark requested a letter of support from the Board on the Blackfoot Clearwater Stewardship Project.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner :
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA November 05, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, November 05, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner, and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest to discuss: timber sales, prescribed burns (burned 600 acres worth of piles), proposed recreation fee increases will be submitted to the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) once the Regional Forest Officer has approved the applicants. Further discussion was held on the forest service budget that is in place until November 21, 2019. The forest service is working right now under a continuing resolution.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: task training on Job Safety Records for the road and solid waste departments. Also in attendance were: Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District; Ben Bache, Foreman, Road District No. 1 & 2 and Lee Smith, Foreman, Road District No. 3.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 11:05 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Bob Church, Great West Engineering (via teleconference) requested to meet with the Board as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: an update on the Sanders County SW System Improvements Project. Also in attendance was Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District. Further discussion was held on Change Order No. 3 with St. Clair Construction, Inc.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Republic Services Special Waste Service Agreement: Non-Hazardous Wastes. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Change Order No. 3 with St. Clair Construction, Inc., for the SW System Improvements Project. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board has a consensus to execute Pay Request No. 15 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for the Sanders County SW Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Resolution 2019-22 A Resolution Adopting the Sanders County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan 2019 Update. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of HR to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 10 days without incident. Mr. Wallace provided an update to the HR Personnel Handbook per the meeting the Board held October 29, 2019, with the addition of a Boot Allowance for permanent part-time employees. Open County Positions: Deputy Coroner, the posting for the open position ended November 1, 2019. Mr. Wallace is waiting for the return of the Sheriff from vacation to conduct interviews. Fair Administrative Assistant, interviews are in the process of being scheduled for November 15, 2019. Deputy Sheriff, Mr. Wallace is working with Lanny Hensley, Undersheriff to determine candidates for interviews. Weed Coordinator, Mr. Wallace is working with members of the Sanders County Weed District to set up an interview schedule to conduct interviews. Mr. Wallace advised that a copy of the proposed updated HR Policy Handbook was provided to employees for review and comment until November 5, 2019. Mr. Wallace will have a resolution in the coming week to adopt the updated HR Policy Handbook. Further discussion was held on the request made by Jen Kreiner, Executive Director, Sanders County Community Development (SCCDC) on October 03, 2019 to join the County's group insurance for public employees and officers per Montana Code Annotated § 2-18-702 (b). During that time Mrs. Kreiner requested if she was eligible the County could cover her insurance cost in lieu of the monies the County provides to support SCCDC. The Board has consensus in lieu of the monies the County gives SCCDC the County shall offer to pay Mrs. Kreiner's monthly insurance premiums and have her added to the County's group insurance.

Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools requested to meet with the Board as she was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: property taxes for residents in the Paradise Rural Fire District. The Board has a consensus that due to the error the County will not send revised tax bills until next year's property taxes are due and the property owners will not be effected on this year's property taxes. Further discussion was held on an error that was found in the office of the Lake County, Montana Treasurer's office that was found to be the same error that Sanders County, Montana Treasurer's office found which was that an error occurred when an Appraiser for the Department of Revenue made changes in August 2019 in the County's Black Mountain Software. Mrs. Scribner would like to meet with the Lake County, Treasurer and have a Commissioner in attendance. The Board advised Mrs. Scribner that if she went to Lake County, Montana for the meeting the Board would be willing to join the meeting via teleconference.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
November 07, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, November 07, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer, and Glen E. Magera, Commissioner.

The Board requested to meet with Chad Bauer, Municipal Manager, Republic Services as he was not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: the feasibility of Republic Services hauling solid waste containers from the Plains roll-off site to Missoula, Montana. Mr. Bauer advised that Republic Services can offer those services to the County and will provide a quote by the middle of next week. Further discussion was held on the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station. Mr. Bauer provided recommendations to the Board on the truck scales.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Clark Fork Meadows Subdivision. A public hearing for Clark Fork Meadows has been scheduled for December 12, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Further discussion was held on Sanders County Subdivision Standards. Ms. Maudrone will provide the standards to the Sanders County road foreman so that they may review and comment on lots and road standards.

Commissioner Cox left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 11:20 a.m.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: Mr. Sorenson is focusing on inspections, subdivision reviews, and wastewater permits to wrap up this year. Businesses: Elk Creek Academy- new owner, significant water and wastewater system improvements needed, the owner expects to open in August of 2020. Feed N Fuel- is adding a sandwich shop to their services. Two Rivers Grille- is closed for the season. Inspections- 180 licensed establishments, 50% complete, Temporary Events- 35 in the fiscal year 2020, Soil/site Analyses- 46 in the calendar year 2019, Wastewater permits- 59 permits in the fiscal year 2020. Water/well Permits- 31 permits in the fiscal year 2020, Local Subdivision Reviews- 38 in the fiscal year 2020, Junk Vehicles- 33 vehicles in the fiscal year 2020 and Food Training- one class was completed on November 4, 2019, one more class is planned in 2020.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Karen Morey, Director of Public Health to review and comment on Ms. Morey's Performance Appraisal goals. The Performance Appraisal will be reviewed again in March of 2020 with Ms. Morey.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute October 29th & 31st, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
November 14, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer, and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to appoint Commissioner Magera as Acting Presiding Officer while Commissioner Cox, Presiding Officer was absent. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Naomi Leisz, County Attorney-Public Administrator to discuss: Sanders County Community Housing Organization, Sanders County Council on Aging, and an easement dispute in Camas Prairie, Montana. Further discussion was held on search warrant software Sanders County is receiving for the County Attorney, 20th Judicial District Court Judges, and the Sheriff's office. The cost associated with the new software is \$175.00 a year per Sheriff Deputy.

Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District requested to meet with the Board as he was not scheduled on the agenda, to discuss: future refuse hauler hauling practices with the new Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District Transfer Station. The Board has a consensus to offer the ability to haul to the new transfer station from March through October, with the ability for haulers to haul in refuse anytime during business hours.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to adopt the Sanders County, Montana Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 151 between Sanders County and Gary Crabtree. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 152 between Sanders County and Peter Reinschmidt. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve November 5 & 7th, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 12:45 p.m.

Commissioner Brooker and Commissioner Magera met via teleconference with Gale Decker, Chair, Lake County, Montana Commissioner; Dave Stipe, Commissioner, Lake County; Bill Barron, Commissioner, Lake County and Kate Stinger, Executive Administrative Assistant, Lake County to discuss: the duties and responsibilities of the Lake County Treasurer and Lake County Department of Revenue. Also in attendance were: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools, Sanders County, Montana; Wally Congdon, Civil Deputy County Attorney, Lake County; Robin Vert-Rubel, Treasurer, Lake County; Fred Nelson, Member, Lake County Tax Appeal Board; Greg Hertz, House District 12, Montana House of Representatives; Dan Salomon, Representative District 47, Montana State Senate; Scott Beggs, Finance Director, Lake County and Warren Fahner, GIS Department Head, Lake County.

Commissioner Magera and Commissioner Brooker proceeded to audit County Claims at 1:30 p.m. and instructed the Clerk to draw warrants in the amount of \$345,902.00. (County Claims are on file in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder)

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 20 days without incident. Also in attendance was Candace Fisher, Clerk of Court. Mr. Wallace and Mrs. Fisher provided a status update of an individual in the District Court that is currently utilizing the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Mrs. Fisher advised the Board that the District Court's part-time employee is being employed more often to compensate for the employee that uses FMLA. Mr. Wallace advised that an Active Shooter training is scheduled for December 6, 2019, with two sessions planned. Open County Positions: Deputy Coroner, Mr. Wallace is waiting for the return of the Sheriff from vacation to conduct interviews. Fair Administrative Assistant, interviews are scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, 2019. Deputy Sheriff, Mr. Wallace is working with Lanny Hensley, Undersheriff to determine candidates to interview for the open position. Weed Coordinator, interviews scheduled on Monday, November 18, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Glen E. Magera, Acting Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
November 19, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Thursday, November 19, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer, and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board of Commissioners and, Tom Rummel, Sheriff; acting as the County Canvassing Board of Sanders County, Montana, do hereby certify that the foregoing abstract of election returns, consisting of page 356 of book 2 of Abstract of Election Returns records of Sanders County, is a full and correct abstract of all the votes cast in the Town of Hot Springs for the 2019 Hot Springs General Municipal Election held in Sanders County, November 5, 2019, as the same as shown upon the tally sheets returned by the Judges of Election of Sanders County, Montana. Furthermore, we certify that the November 5, 2019, General Municipal Elections for the City of Thompson Falls and the Town of Plans were cancelled and said candidates were elected by acclamation. Also in attendance were: Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools; Roberta "Bobbi" Christenson, Deputy Election Administrator and Kimberly Patton, Assistant Election Administrator.

The Board met with Nichol Scribner, Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools to discuss: County journal vouchers and a review of the current budget. Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox examined and approved the Journal Voucher Detailed report for the accounting period of October 2019.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 141 between Sanders County and Scott Donovan. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Sanders County Subdivision Standards. A meeting is scheduled with the Board, Ms. Maudrone and the Sanders County Road Foreman on December 11, 2019. Further discussion was held on Big Horn Bluff Subdivision.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
November 20, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, November 20, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner, and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

As it was 10:00 a.m. and the time and place as advertised, Presiding Officer Anthony B. Cox opened the Solid Waste (SW) Refuse Disposal District Meeting. In attendance were: Anthony B. Cox, Member; Glen E. Magera, Member; Carol Brooker, Member; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, SW Refuse Disposal District; Jennifer Ekberg, Secretary; Kathy Conlin, Billing Clerk/Recycling Assistant; Mark Sheets, Citizen; Becky DelGiudice, Owner, B & P Services and Robert Hicks, B & P Services. Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve October 16, 2019 meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Old Business: Jason Peterson stated on record that SW sent a letter to all the Sanders County Haulers (including B & P Services) on the practices that Sanders County has to change regarding hauling operations. Mr. Peterson stated that B & P Services has dismissed all proposals even though Haskins has made the necessary changes the County is requiring. Mr. Peterson stated it is not fair to treat Haskins and B & P Services differently. Therefore, SW is proposing that B & P Services are offered the same hauling conditions that were provided to Haskins. B & P Services will have to haul to the new SW Transfer Station during the busy months of the year and during the slow months will be able to haul to the Plains roll-off site. Becky DelGiudice stated that is absolutely not doable for B & P Services, it will cost us over \$100,000.00 to haul to the new SW Transfer Station. Commissioner Brooker entertained the feasibility of providing an additional container for B & P Services. Mark Sheets commented that the cost to Trout Creek, Plains, Heron, etc. should be uniform to everyone so that the burden is not going to taxpayers. The Board advised B & P Services that the Board is waiting for a quote from Republic Services to haul from the Plains roll-off site. Jason Peterson provided an update on the new Solid Waste Transfer Station. The new site will undergo a substantial completion inspection on November 22, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. As of now final completion is scheduled for December 12, 2019. Kathy Conlin provided an updated on tax-exempt billing for the SW Refuse Disposal District. Overall Mrs. Conlin stated that the billing went well and if there was an error and the taxpayer could prove the error, it was easy to fix. Mrs. Conlin provided an update on five Thompson Falls students who are creating a recycling group at the Thompson Falls Middle School. New Business: Jennifer Ekberg presented a Refuse Appeal for Tax Payer No. 5612 submitted by Vernon and Samie Helvey. Mr. and Mrs. Helvey state they are being charged a double Solid Waste Fee, apparently because they have two houses on their property. One house is a mobile home with an addition. The mobile home is unlivable- they are tearing it down soon. No one has lived in the house for approximately 2+ years. Commissioner Brooker motioned to move the Solid Waste Fee's being charged from 2 units a year to 1 unit a year on Tax Payer No. 5612's Real Property Tax Statement. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Mrs. Ekberg presented a Refuse Appeal for Tax Payer No. 10587 submitted by Beverly Dertien. Ms. Dertien stated nobody lives in the house, there is no electricity or water. Nobody has lived there in about 7 years. Commissioner Brooker motioned to deny the Refuse Appeal for Tax Payer No. 10587 due to the fact the property has a habitable building. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Mrs. Ekberg presented a Refuse Appeal for Tax Payer No. 16045. Don Eckelberry states there is a garage, used only to store a couple of cars. No one has lived on this property for approximately 10 years, and this property has not generated any garbage, the mobile home has long been moved. Commissioner Brooker motioned to remove the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal Fee from Tax Payer No. 16045's Real Property Tax Statement and provide a refund of \$160.00 for the amount paid towards the 2019 Real Property Taxes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Recycling Report: 494 tons of metal was recycled. There was no public comment. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 26 days without incident. Open County Positions: Deputy Coroner, Mr. Wallace is waiting to review the applicants with Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner. Fair Administrative Assistant, interviewed an applicant on November 19, 2019, and she withdrew herself as a candidate. The open position for Fair Administrative Assistant will have to be reposted. Deputy Sheriff, waiting to schedule a date to conduct interviews with Tom Rummel, Sheriff/Coroner and Lanny Hensley, Undersheriff. Weed Control Supervisor, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the HR Personnel Action Form for Mark Lincoln as the new Weed Control Supervisor beginning December 4, 2019. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-23 A Resolution to Adopt this Updated

Handbook of Human Resource Policies, Superseding all other Personnel Policies and Procedure Manuals or Related Human Resource Manuals. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve November 14, 2019 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board met with Dave Williams, President/Founder, Joint Operation Mariposa, and Edward Foste, Vice President, Joint Operation Mariposa to discuss: an update on Sanders County obtaining a Veteran's Service Officer. Also in attendance were: Melissa Swanson, Citizen, and Mike Swanson, Citizen. Dave Williams advised the Board that Joint Operation Mariposa is accepting a donation of an office building by a private individual in Sanders County to have as a Veteran's Service office in Thompson Falls. Big Sky Network out of Plains, Montana is providing bids for building and computer software security. The Greg Gianforte Family Foundation advised Joint Operation Mariposa to submit a grant application. Mr. Foste and Mr. Williams have received letters of support from First Security Bank and Valley Bank in Thompson Falls. Mr. Williams advised the Board that the funds required for start-up are approximately \$15,000-\$20,000.00. Further discussion was held on programs that Joint Operation Mariposa funds and supports including working with the Plains, Montana Cemetery to construct a Columbarium for deceased Veteran's; gathering care packages of hats and gloves to be delivered to Veteran's for the holidays, and are active members in the Green Star Family organization (family's touched by veteran suicide) as well as the Quilt of Valor, a nationwide organization who handed out 25 uniquely handmade quilts to Sanders County Veterans.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
November 25, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in special session on Monday, November 25, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer, and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering (GWE) via teleconference; Craig Erickson, GWE via teleconference; Lyle Coney, Area Specialist, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) via teleconference; Bob Murdo, Bond Counsel, Jackson, Murdo and Grant (JMG) via teleconference and Nathan Bilyeu, Attorney, JMG via teleconference to discuss: the loan closing process for the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project. Bob Church advised the Substantial Completion Inspection occurred on November 21, 2019. Twenty-five items were listed at the time of the inspection as not complete or needing to be remedied. Due to some of the items that were listed an approved Substantial Completion was not provided at that time. Lyle Coney set the date for the execution of bond closing documents for December 6, 2019, and advised the final inspection is set for December 10, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
December 3, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, December 03, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Present were Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner, and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Erin Carey, District Ranger, Lolo National Forest to discuss: timber sales, proposed recreation fee increases, connecting the Cascade Trail to the River Trail and the hiring status for the Lolo National Forest.

The Board met with Katherine Maudrone, Director of Land Services to discuss: Amended COS 1809 Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Magera motioned for final plat approval for Amended COS 1809 Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Further discussion was held on Larchwood South Shore Subdivision. As District No. 3 Road Foreman approved the paving of roads in Larchwood South Shore Major Subdivision phases 2 & 3, Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Certification of Subdivision Improvements Agreement # 7372. Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Release of the Letter of Credit # 3506181511010 (P). Commissioner Brooker seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources (HR) to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update- 39 days without incident. Open County Positions: Deputy Coroner, hired two applicants for the west end of Sanders County. Fair Administrative Assistant, interviewed an applicant on November 19, 2019, who subsequently withdrew their application, the County will need to re-post for the open position. Deputy Sheriff, interviews scheduled for tomorrow, December 4, 2019. Further discussion was held on the proposed HR training in February 2020.

The Board adjourned at noon and resumed the regular session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Brooker did not join the Board at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute Pay Request No. 16 for Great West Engineering to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for the Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to execute the Sanders County, Montana Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District \$4,962,000 Revenue Bonds, Consisting of a \$3,538,000 Series 2019A Bond, \$1,124,000 Series 2019B Bond, and \$300,000 Series 2019C Bond: Arbitrage and Tax Regulatory Certificate, Receipt for Proceeds of Series 2019 Bonds and No Litigation Certificate. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Matt Dombach, Supervisor, Maintenance to discuss: various repairs and projects Mr. Dombach has completed from October 2019 to the end of November 2019.

The Board met with Shawn Sorenson, Sanitarian to discuss: there are multiple Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) administrative rules and circular changes. The administrative rules and circulars will be significantly changed and updated over the next couple of years. Environmental Health staff will actively participate throughout the process, including providing comments, participating in panel discussions, and compiling input from installers and site evaluators. Mr. Sorenson provided an exemption to the Sanitation in Subdivisions Act in Missoula County. While the case may not set a state-wide precedent, it does show that some counties have specific policies regarding the evasion of subdivision statutes (Platting and Sanitation). DEQ is planning to discuss and possibly include language clarifying evasion during the upcoming rule and policy changes. Mr. Sorenson would like the County to adopt a formal process for these situations. Inspections- 184 licensed

establishments, 70% complete, Temporary Events- 35 in fiscal year 2020, Soil/site Analyses- 51 in calendar year 2019, Wastewater permits- 69 permits in fiscal year 2020, Water/well permits- 35 permits in fiscal year 2020, Local Subdivision Reviews- 43 in fiscal year 2020, Junk Vehicles, 42 vehicles and 2 mobile homes in fiscal year 2020 and Food Training- two classes planned in fiscal year 2020.

The Board met with Ron Catlett, Northwest Field Representative, Senator Daines office via teleconference to discuss: Senator Daines will be introducing the Montana Water Rights Protection Action, bipartisan legislation to settle the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) water dispute. Mr. Catlett advised the Board a draft of the legislation should be made available next week.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner
Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA
December 4, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, December 04, 2019, at 2:20 p.m. Present were Glen E. Magera, Commissioner, and Carol Brooker, Commissioner.

The Board met with Bill Barron, District 1, Lake County Commissioner; Dave Stipe, District 2, Lake County Commissioner; Wally Congdon, Civil Deputy, Lake County Attorney via teleconference to discuss: Lake County and the Big Arm Lawsuit. Lake County advised Sanders County of their ongoing litigation and recommended Sanders County intervene in the lawsuit or submit an Amicus Curiae. The Board advised Lake County that they will follow up on the matter by the end of next week.

Commissioner Cox joined the Board at 2:50 p.m.

ROUTINE COUNTY BUSINESS

Commissioner Brooker motioned to approve the November 19-20th and November 25th, 2019, Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board met with Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering (GWE); Craig Erickson, GWE via teleconference; Lyle Coney, Area Specialist, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) via teleconference; and Nathan Bilyeu, Attorney, Jackson, Murdo and Grant via teleconference to discuss: the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District System Improvements Project closeout. The project is scheduled to close out on December 12, 2019. The Board has a consensus to execute the letter to USDA RD for funds to pay the principal and interim interest associated with the bond anticipation notes from First Security Bank of Missoula.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anthony B. Cox, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner

Clerk & Recorder/Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools

BY: _____, Secretary

Jennifer Ekberg