

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
Held in June 2022

The Board of Pondera County Commissioners met daily in informal session and in scheduled meetings on June 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2022.

JUNE 1, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION:

PRESENT: Commissioner Thomas Kuka, Commissioner Dale Seifert, Commissioner Jim Morren, Clerk & Recorder Kody Farkell, Deputy Clerk & Recorder Tammy Bartsch

RESOLUTION ON AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #32 – 2021/22
AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO
PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS the Montana Code Annotated, Section 7-6-4006(4), grants the Board of County Commissioners the power and authority to amend the budget during the fiscal year by conducting public hearings at regularly scheduled meetings; and

WHEREAS Pondera County Commissioners approved the appropriations budget for the Pondera County during its regular budget approval process and correction in revenues and expenditures budget have been identified; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the budget be corrected as follows:

Revenues Amount	Description	Prior Amount	New
2960-365009	Car Seat Grant	\$0	\$ 1,500
2851-334036	E-911 & GPS/GIS Grant	\$0	\$17,969
Expenditure Amount	Description	Prior Amount	New
2960-448-440190-219	Car Seats	\$0	\$ 1,500
2851-201-420626-350	Professional Services	\$0	\$17,969

Adopted this 1st day of June, 2022, as moved by Commissioner Kuka, seconded by Commissioner Morren, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Dale J Seifert
Dale J Seifert, Chair

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A Kuka, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Jim Morren
Jim Morren, Member

/s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

REGULAR MEETING JUNE 15, 2022 CANCELLED

Commissioner Morren moved and Commissioner Kuka seconded to cancel the regular meeting of the Commissioners scheduled for June 15, 2022. There will not be a quorum, with two out of three Commissioners not present. Motion carried.

JUNE 8, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION:

June 2022

PRESENT: Commissioner Thomas Kuka, Commissioner Dale Seifert, Commissioner Jim Morren, Clerk & Recorder Kody Farkell, Deputy Clerk & Recorder Tammy Bartsch, Road/Bridge Superintendent Steve Kaphammer

PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED ON ALLEY ABANDONMENT IN DUPUYER ORIGINAL TOWNSITE

Attending: Commissioners Morren, Seifert, and Kuka, Clerk & Recorder Farkell, Clerk & Recorder Deputy Bartsch

The notice of the hearing was published in The Independent-Observer and The Valerian in the May 25 and June 1, 2022 issues.

Commissioner Seifert called the hearing to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Pondera County Courthouse. Seifert stated the intent of the hearing is to hear public input and make a determination as to abandoning an alley in the Dupuyer Original Townsite. A petition was received from Ron Jones, requesting the alley described as , Blocks 12-13, Original townsite of Dupuyer, Pondera County, Montana be abandoned.

Commissioners are taking the petition under advisement. A decision will be made once all the signatures are turned into the Commissioners.

The hearing was closed at 10:10 a.m.

RESOLUTION ON CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING WARRANTS

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA

RESOLUTION #33- 2021/22

CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING WARRANTS

WHEREAS Section 7-6-2607, Montana Code Annotated, directs the Board of County Commissioners to examine the county warrants and cancel all county warrants that have remained uncalled for one (1) year or more; and

WHEREAS upon examination of the warrants outstanding warrant register for claims and payroll warrants issued by Pondera County, there appears to be outstanding for more than one (1) year, the following warrants:

CLAIMS FUND

Warrant No.	Claim No.	Date Issued	Amount	Payable To
66776	80270	08/09/2018	\$ 12.98	Cactus Flats
67542	81252	03/09/2019	\$ 6.00	Jami Young
67902	81688	06/20/2019	\$ 42.06	Jim & Jennie Palmer
68917	83069	04/24/2020	\$ 17.99	Jami Young
68997	83157	05/22/2020	\$ 7.96	Laurie Eisenzimer
69027	83228	06/11/2020	\$ 30.00	Barb Judisch
69411	83747	09/28/2020	\$195.16	Jami Young
69435	83830	10/09/2020	\$ 10.51	AmeriGas
69641	84015	11/24/2020	\$ 41.84	Tyson Rambo
69970	84447	03/11/2021	\$141.48	Verizon
70187	84730	05/25/2021	\$ 90.00	Loren Weikum

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the above warrants are hereby canceled; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 7-6-2607(3), MCA, the Clerk and Recorder of Pondera County is directed to enter the cancellation of the above-referenced warrants and the date of said cancellation on the records of the Claims and Payroll Warrant Register, and, further, this resolution shall constitute the list of canceled warrants to be entered on the minutes of the Board.

Adopted this 8th day of June, 2022 as moved by Commissioner Kuka, seconded by Commissioner Morren and passed on a 2-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Dale J Seifert
Dale J Seifert, Chair

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A Kuka, Member

June 2022

ATTEST:

/s/ Jim Morren

Jim Morren, Member

/s/ Kody L Farkell

Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

RESOLUTION ON AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #34 – 2021/22
AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO
PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS the Montana Code Annotated, Section 7-6-400(4), grants the Board of County Commissioners the power and authority to amend the budget during the fiscal year by conducting public hearings at regularly scheduled meetings; and

WHEREAS Pondera County Commissioners approved the appropriations budget for the Pondera County during its regular budget approval process and correction in revenues and expenditures budget have been identified; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the budget be corrected as follows:

Revenues Amount	Description	Prior Amount	New
2800-335005	Alcohol Rehab Apport	\$35,000	\$40,000
2170-331993	Care Act	\$0	\$13,000
Expenditure Amount	Description	Prior Amount	New
2800-405-440501-397	Contract Payments	\$35,000	\$40,000
2170-304-490512-619	Principal Payment	\$ 8,015	\$21,015

Adopted this 8th day of June, 2022, as moved by Commissioner Morren, seconded by Commissioner Kuka, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Dale J Seifert

Dale J Seifert, Chair

/s/ Thomas A Kuka

Thomas A Kuka, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Jim Morren

Jim Morren, Member

/s/ Kody L Farkell

Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

TASK ORDER FOR IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM APPROVED

Commissioner Kuka moved and Commissioner Morren seconded to approve Task Order 23-07-4-31-133-0 to the Master Contract that Covers the Period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, Immunization Program with the State of Montana Department of Health and Human Services. The County will receive \$5,161.00 in grant funding for FY2022-23. Motion carried.

EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF \$500-

Commissioner Morren moved to approve the replacement of two existing radiant heaters for the Road/Bridge shop. Two quotes came from Heartland Mechanical Heating & Cooling for \$11,325.00, and Bain Plumbing & Heating Inc. for \$11,650.00. Discussion

was held, and a decision was made to go with Bain Plumbing & Heating Inc. Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried.

DUI TASK FORCE PLAN APPROVED

Commissioner Kuka moved to approve the fiscal year 2022-23 DUI Task Force plan. Commissioner Morren seconded. Motion carried.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR STUDENT EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Commissioner Morren moved to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Montana State University-Northern where Pondera County Health Department will provide an educational experience in an on-site setting. Commissioner Kuka seconded the motion. Motion carried.

JUNE 14, COUNTY COMPENSATION BOARD PUBLIC HEARING:

Present: Commissioner Jim Morren, Commissioner Thomas Kuka, Clerk & Recorder Kody Farkell, Deputy Clerk & Recorder Tammy Bartsch, County Attorney Rosanne Lockhart, Sheriff Robert Skorupa, & Compensation Board members Dan Majerus and John McFarland (by phone), Road/Bridge Superintendent Steve Kaphammer, Zane Drishinski

Commissioner Morren called the hearing to order at 10:00 a.m. The notice of the hearing was published in The Independent-Observer and The Valerian in the June 1 and June 8, 2022 issues.

Pursuant to 7-4-2503(4), Montana Code Annotated, county governments are required to appoint a county compensation board to prepare a compensation schedule for the elected county officials for the succeeding fiscal year. Also, in accordance with 7-4-2503(4), the Clerk and Recorder prepared and presented a worksheet showing salary comparisons to other counties as well as the City of Conrad and the Clerk of the Conrad School District and other demographics of the counties. The Board reviewed the worksheet. The National cost-of-living adjustment for the fiscal 2023 year is 4.7%.

There was discussion regarding the proposed options for cost-of-living increases in elected officials' salaries for the 2022-23 fiscal year. There was discussion on the possible expenditures for the upcoming year. A new boiler, for the courthouse building, could possibly be paid through COVID-19 monies. The cost of fuel for the Road/Bridge and Sheriff Departments was also discussed.

John McFarland moved and Dan Majerus seconded to recommend an increase of up to 5% for elected officials. Motion carried.

The hearing closed at 10:30 a.m.

JUNE 15, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION:
CANCELLED

JUNE 21, 2022 FEDERAL PRIMARY ELECTION CANVASS:

PRESENT: Commissioner Thomas Kuka, Commissioner Dale Seifert, Commissioner Jim Morren, Clerk & Recorder Kody Farkell, Deputy Clerk & Recorder Tammy Bartsch

CANVASS OF THE JUNE 7, 2022 FEDERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

Commissioner and Canvass Board member Tom Kuka moved to approve the canvass of the June 7, 2022 Federal Primary Election conducted by Commissioner Kuka, Commissioner Seifert, and Commissioner Morren, and to direct the Clerk and Recorder to enter the official results in the records of the County. Commissioner Jim Morren seconded. Motion carried.

JUNE 22, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION:

PRESENT: Commissioner Thomas Kuka, Commissioner Dale Seifert, Commissioner Jim Morren, Clerk & Recorder Kody Farkell, Deputy Clerk & Recorder Tammy Bartsch, Zane Drishinski, Rob Cook

REQUEST FOR LOAN FORGIVENESS FROM PORT AUTHORITY & REPORT
Rob Cook, Executive Director of the Pondera Regional Port Authority, met with Commissioners to request for loan forgiveness of the loan payment in the amount of \$12,962.50 under the current fiscal year. The written request outlined the Port Authority's role in economic development and the need for the loan forgiveness in order to keep up operating costs, as well as to maintain a fund for further economic development.

TAX ABATEMENTS 1165

Commissioner Morren moved to approve the following abatement.

NUMBER	REASON	CANCEL	ADD	PARCEL NO
1165	Does not have cattle anymore	5.00		1326700

Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried

RESOLUTION ON PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE "STATE BUILDING CODE", ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR PRACTICE AND ENFORCEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR A BOARD OF APPEALS

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
RESOLUTION #35 – 2021/22

PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE "STATE BUILDING CODE", ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR PRACTICE AND ENFORCEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR A BOARD OF APPEALS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA

Section 1. ADOPTION OF CODES. Those certain codes known as: "The State Building Code" (referred to in Section 50-60-203, M.C.A.) are hereby adopted by Pondera County for the purposes of regulating non-residential buildings in Pondera County and protecting the health and safety of the County's citizenry, which codes consist of:

These codes are hereby adopted and incorporated herein as if fully set out in their entirety herein.

NEW

Section 1.

- The International Building Code (hereinafter referred to as "IBC"), 2021 Edition.
- The International Existing Building Code (hereinafter referred to as IEBC) 2021 Edition.

OLD

- The International Building Code (hereinafter referred to as "IBC"), 2012 Edition as described in and amended by Section 24.301.151, 1 through 3, of the Administrative Rules of Montana (hereinafter referred to as "A.R.M.") and A.R.M. 24.301.146, 1 and 2 and including IBC Appendix C (Group U- Agricultural Buildings) and Appendix H.
- The International Energy Conservation Code (hereinafter referred to as the IECC) 2018 Edition, as amended by Section A.R.M. 8.70.204(1).
- Uniform Plumbing Code, 2018 Edition.
- International Mechanical Code, 2018 Edition.
- International Fuel Gas Code, 2018 Edition.
- International Existing Building Code, 2018 Edition as described and amended by Section 24.301.171, 1 through 3, of the Administrative Rules of Montana

These codes are hereby adopted and incorporated herein as if fully set out in their entirety herein.

Section 2. BUILDING PERMITS.

- a. Any person wishing to obtain a building permit shall submit a completed application to the Building Inspector.
- b. The building inspector shall specify the manner in which said application shall be completed. At a minimum, the application shall contain:
 - i. A description of the land which it will affect;
 - ii. The present use of any existing structures;
 - iii. Plans and specifications indicating the entire scope of work.
- c. The applicant shall furnish such other documents as the building inspector deems relevant and necessary, at his/her discretion, for review of the proposed work.
- d. The building inspector may, at his/her discretion, waive any of the requirements hereunder when the proposed work is of an insubstantial nature of effect.

Section 3. PLAN REVIEW.

- a. The building inspector shall be responsible for coordination of building plan review and for issuance of building permits.
- b. Upon application by any person for a building permit, the building inspector shall review the plans for compliance with this code. The building inspector shall submit the plans to any other affected county department for review and approval by the department(s) before issuing a permit.
- c. Building plan review shall be completed by the building inspector within sixty (60) working days of submission of a completed application.
- d. The building inspector may, in certain cases, request the building codes division, other state agencies or design professionals to aid in the plan review process. In such cases, the building inspector may lengthen the completion of time for review by twenty (20) working days when necessary.
- e. One such approved set of plans and specifications shall be retained by the building inspector as a public record, for a period of not less than ninety (90) days from the date of completion of the work covered therein, one set of approved plans and specifications shall be given to Pondera County for permanent record according to the Montana Local Government Retention and Disposition Schedule, MR6 section 2, and one set of approved plans and specifications shall be returned to the applicant, which set shall be kept on such building or work site at all time during which the work authorized thereby is in progress and shall be open to inspection by public officials. Such approved plans and specifications shall not be changed, modified or altered without authorization from the building inspector and all work shall be done in accordance with the approved plans.

Section 4. INSPECTIONS.

- a. Inspections shall be conducted by the building inspector. Where other departments require inspection, the building inspector shall ensure they are conducted within the time frame allowed in **section 4-1-2**. Final inspections and issuance of certificates of occupancy shall be conducted in accordance with the I. B.C.

Section 5. INSPECTOR QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES.

- a. The building inspector shall possess adequate knowledge of the building trade and such other qualifications as may be prescribed by the county commissioners from time to time.
- b. As building inspector, his/her duties shall include those set forth in the I.B.C. and in Montana Code Annotated title 50, chapter 60, 2020, as now or hereinafter amended.

Section 6. FACTORY BUILT BUILDINGS.

- a. Factory Built buildings bearing an insignia issued by the Montana Building Codes Division, Department of Labor and Industry, shall be subject to local government zoning, utility connections, building permit and subsequent inspections for foundations and appurtenances to the structure (landings, stairs, decks, covered porches, etc.).
- b. Applications to Pondera County for the erection and utility connection shall be in accordance with the I.B.C.

Section 7. PERMIT FEES.

- a. Building permit fees shall be set and established by the county commissioners from time to time by appropriate resolution.

Section 8. TERRITORIAL APPLICATION.

- a. The jurisdictional area of the county shall be commercial buildings and structures and permits therefore within the county boundaries of Pondera County excluding the portion the Blackfeet Nation.

Section 9. BOARD OF APPEALS.

- a. In order to determine the suitability of alternate materials and methods of construction and to provide for reasonable interpretations of the provisions of the I.B.C., there shall be and is hereby created a board of appeals, consisting of five (5) members, who are qualified by experience and training to pass upon matters pertaining to building construction. The members shall appoint one of their own to act as secretary to take the minutes of all meetings. The Board of Appeals shall be appointed by the county commissioners and shall hold office for three (3) year staggered terms, without term limits. The board shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations for conducting its investigations and shall render all decisions and findings, in writing, to Pondera County, with a duplicate copy to the applicant. The board may recommend to the commissioners such new legislation as is consistent herewith.

Section 10. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.

- a. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, raze, convert, demolish, equip, use, occupy or maintain any building or structure in the county, or cause or permit the same to be done, contrary to, or in violation of, any of the provisions of this chapter.
- b. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this code shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and each such person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offence for each and every day during which any violation of any of the provisions of this code is committed, continued or permitted and upon conviction of any such violation, such person shall be punishable by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 11. COPY ON FILE.

- a. One copy of each of the code mentioned above shall be on file with Pondera County for inspection by the public.

Section 12. EFFECT ON FUTURE AMENDMENTS TO THE "STATE BUILDING CODE".

- a. Each and every provision of this resolution shall be amended by resolution of Pondera County within ninety (90) days of notification of changes adopted by the Department of Labor and Industry, Building Codes Bureau, when and as any future amendments are made to the codes referred herein above so as to conform to future amendments.

Section 13. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- a. This resolution shall have full force and effect thirty (30) days from the date of its adoption and approval by the Pondera County Commissioners.

Adopted this 22nd day of July, 2022 as moved by Commissioner Morren, seconded by Commissioner Seifert, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

Dale J Seifert, Chair

Thomas A Kuka, Member

June 2022

Attest: _____

Kody L. Farkeil, Clerk & Recorder

Jim Morren, Member

RESOLUTION ON AUTHORIZING FORGIVENESS OF REPAYMENT OF INTERFUND LOAN

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA
RESOLUTION #36 – 2021/22

AUTHORIZING FORGIVENESS OF REPAYMENT OF INTERFUND LOAN

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has, from time to time, determined it to be in the best interests of the County to authorize loans from one fund to another at a reasonable rate of interest; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the interfund loan (for FY2020/21 funds) from the General Fund to the Port Authority Fund, authorized under Resolution #25 – 2021/22, be forgiven under the terms of the December 29, 2021 Loan Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the Clerk and Recorder effect the forgiveness of repayment of the above-described loan, in the amount of \$12,962.50, principal, and all interest that would have accrued; treating the same as a transfer from the General Fund to the Port Authority Fund.

Adopted this 22nd day of June, 2022 as moved by Commissioner Kuka, seconded by Commissioner Morren, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the full board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Dale J Seifert
Dale J Seifert, Chair

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A Kuka, Member

ATTEST: /s/ Jim Morren
Jim Morren, Member

/s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

RESOLUTION ON AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #37 – 2021/22
AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO
PONDERA COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS the Montana Code Annotated, Section 7-6-4006(4), grants the Board of County Commissioners the power and authority to amend the budget during the fiscal year by conducting public hearings at regularly scheduled meetings; and

WHEREAS Pondera County Commissioners approved the appropriations budget for the Pondera County during its regular budget approval process and correction in revenues and expenditures budget have been identified; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that the budget be corrected as follows:

Revenues	Description	Prior Amount	New Amount
2170-331021	FAA Grant Revenue	\$0	\$19,00

Expenditure	Description	Prior Amount	New Amount
2170-304-430303-903	Runway Resurfacing	\$0	\$21,000

Adopted this 22nd day of June, 2022, as moved by Commissioner Morren, seconded by Commissioner Kuka, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Dale J Seifert
Dale J Seifert, Chair

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A Kuka, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Jim Morren
Jim Morren, Member

/s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

RESOLUTION ON ORDERING THE CANCELLATION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES THAT HAVE BEEN DELINQUENT FOR 10 YEARS OR MORE

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #38 – 2021/22

ORDERING THE CANCELLATION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES THAT HAVE BEEN DELINQUENT FOR 10 YEARS OR MORE

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated 15-16-701(2)(a) states the County Treasurer may prepare and submit to the Board of county commissioners of Pondera County a list of real property taxes that have been delinquent for 10 (ten) years or more; and

WHEREAS, the attached listing of real property taxes that have been delinquent for 10(ten) years or more in Pondera County has been submitted by the County Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, MCA 15-16-701(2)(a) states that to be included on the list, the County Treasurer must have attached a tax lien to each property as provided in Chapter 17 at least 3(three) years before preparation of the list; and

WHEREAS, 15-16-702, states the Board of County Commissioners shall examine the list and make any necessary correction within 30 days of receipt; and

WHEREAS, it further states that the Board of County Commissioners shall make its order cancelling all such real property taxes and contractual obligations contained in the list.

Adopted this 22nd day of June, 2022, as moved by Commissioner Kuka, seconded by Commissioner Morren, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Dale J Seifert
Dale J Seifert, Chair

/s/ Thomas A Kuka
Thomas A Kuka, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Jim Morren
Jim Morren, Member

/s/ Kody L Farkell
Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

TASK ORDER- PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (PHEP) GRANT APPROVED

Commissioner Kuka moved and Commissioner Morren seconded to approve the PHEP grant through the Montana Department of Health & Human Services. The task order provides funding for the position of Disease Intervention Specialist from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 for \$45,906.00. Motion carried.

APRIL & MAY COMMISSION MINUTES APPROVED

Commissioner Morren moved and Commissioner Kuka seconded to approve the April and May 2022 Minutes of the Commission. Motion carried.

BIDS FOR A CULVERT ON MESSENGER ROAD

Two bids were received for the purchase of a culvert for Messenger Road for the Road Department.

1. Contech Engineered for \$117,262.00
2. TrueNorth Steel for \$120,022.09

Commissioner Morren moved and Commissioner Kuka seconded to accept the bid from Contech Engineered in the amount of \$117,262.00. The purchase will be paid from the Road/Bridge Capital Improvement Fund. Motion carried.

JUNE 29, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION:

PRESENT: Commissioner Thomas Kuka, Commissioner Dale Seifert, Commissioner Jim Morren, Clerk & Recorder Kody Farkell, Deputy Clerk & Recorder Tammy Bartsch, Zane Drishinski

TAX ABATEMENTS 1166

Commissioner Morren moved to approve the following abatement:

NUMBER	REASON	CANCEL	ADD	PARCEL NO
1166	AB-26 value change	17.40		1632770

Commissioner Kuka seconded. Motion carried

RE-PERMIT OPENCUT PETERSON GRAVEL PIT-

Commissioner Morren moved and Commissioner Kuka seconded the approval of re-permitting the Peterson Gravel Pit for opencut mining with The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Motion carried.

REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION FOR CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT-

Commissioner Morren moved and Commissioner Kuka seconded the approval of the revised job description for Chief Deputy Clerk of District Court. Motion carried.

TASK ORDER - PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (PHEP) GRANT APPROVED

Commissioner Kuka moved and Commissioner Morren seconded to approve the PHEP grant through the Montana Department of Health & Human Services. The task order provides funding for the position of Disease Intervention Specialist for years 2022-23, for an additional \$42,000. Motion carried.

SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT-

Commissioner Morren moved and Commissioner Kuka seconded on the agreement of software licensing with Law Enforcement Support Services Inc. This software is intended to be used by law enforcement agencies to assist in drafting and obtaining search warrants and other documents. Pondera County will pay the sum of \$1400 per year. Motion carried.

REGULAR MEETING JULY 13, 2022 CANCELLED

Commissioner Kuka moved and Commissioner Morren seconded to cancel the regular meeting of the Commissioners scheduled for July 13, 2022. Commissioners will be

attending the Montana Association of Counties District Conference in Chester. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION ON SETTING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATES

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA

RESOLUTION #39 - 2021/22

SETTING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATES

WHEREAS Sections 2-18-501 through 2-18-503, and Section 7-4-2108, Montana Code Annotated, provide that persons who may be entitled to mileage, lodging and per diem reimbursement paid from public funds when using their own automobiles, incurring costs for lodging and per diem, in the performance of official duties are entitled to collect mileage for the distance actually traveled by automobile at a rate equal to the mileage allotment allowed by the Internal Revenue Service for the preceding calendar year; and

WHEREAS in recognition of recent gasoline price increases, the IRS made a special adjustment to the standard mileage reimbursement rates effective July 1st, changing the standard mileage reimbursement rate for the remaining 2022 year to 62.5 cents per mile, up 4 cents from the rate effective at the start of the year

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County that, effective July 1st mileage reimbursement rates will increase to 62.5 cents per mile, up 4 cents from the rate effective at the start of the year

Adopted this 29th day of June, 2022 as moved by Commissioner Morren, seconded by Commissioner Kuka, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on July 1st, 2022.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Pondera County, Montana

/s/ Dale J Seifert

Dale J Seifert, Chair

/s/ Thomas A Kuka

Thomas A Kuka, Member

ATTEST:

/s/ Jim Morren

Jim Morren, Member

/s/ Kody L Farkell

Kody L Farkell, Clerk and Recorder

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Fund	Fund Description	
1000	GENERAL	43,409.52
2110	ROAD	24,828.77
2130	BRIDGE	24,443.07
2140	WEED	6,402.16
2150	PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL	6,186.50
2160	COUNTY FAIR	239.18
2170	AIRPORT	23,520.59
2190	COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE	206.30
2220	LIBRARY	130,584.00
2230	AMBULANCE	597.32
2280	SENIOR CITIZENS	15,000.00
2290	EXTENSION SERVICE	11,625.24
2300	PUBLIC SAFETY (LAW ENFORCEMENT)	46,589.67
2393	RECORDS PRESERVATION	2,620.28
2401	BRADY LIGHTS MAINTENANCE	562.80

June 2022


2800	ALCOHOL REHABILITATION	
2811	DUI PREVENTION	250.00
2820	GAS APORTIONMENT TAX	19,249.91
2830	JUNK VEHICLE	340.46
2850	911 EMERGENCY	692.85
2851	E-911 & GPS/GIS PROJECT GRANT	19,023.25
2866	NORTHERN TRANSIT INTERLOCAL	3,075.13
2958	EP (DES) GRANTS	3,072.30
2963	ORAL HEALTH SERVICES GRANT	1,559.04
2964	ALLIANCE FOR YOUTH	1,445.40
2966	COVID-19 MENTAL HEALTH	193.30
2971	WIC GRANT	236.94
2973	MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH	678.62
2976	IMMUNIZATION ACTION GRANT	58.39
2978	CHRONIC DISEASE GRANT	754.85
4011	AMBULANCE CAPITAL IMP	5,114.38
4012	GENERAL FUND CAPITAL IMP	8,042.50
7920	REFUND FUND	3,342.88

TOTAL CLAIMS	403,945.60
TOTAL PAYROLL	\$ 297,719.88
TOTAL CLAIMS AND PAYROLL FUNDS	\$ 701,665.48


ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on June 30, 2022

Pondera County, Montana.


Dale J Seifert, Chairman

ATTEST:


Kody L Farkell, Clerk & Recorder



June 2022