

March 20, 2018 continued...

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

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Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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March 27, 2018

No regular session was scheduled or held.

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THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET ON THE 3RD, 10TH, 17TH & 24TH OF APRIL 2018 IN THEIR OFFICE AT THE GRANITE COUNTY COURTHOUSE WITH ALL THREE COMMISSIONERS PRESENT.

THE FOLLOWING CLAIMS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2018 WERE APPROVED AS FOLLOWS:

<u>WARRANT</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
54303	WHITEWOOD TRANSPORT, INC	FREIGHT FEE - SPRAYER TRUCK \$850.00
54304	MONTANA ELECTRONICS CO, INC	GRANT - ARBITRATOR CAMERAS \$24,711.97
54305	FLINT CREEK VALLEY BANK	PAYROLL & NOD FEE \$93,463.86
54306	VISA #1	CO HEALTH SUPPLIES \$121.74
54307	VISA #2	ROAD SUPPLIES \$292.97
54308	VISA #3	SUPPLIES \$687.57
54309	360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES \$785.35
54310	ALLIED WASTE SERVICES-4283	BALING WIRE \$92.00
54311	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS	ACETYLENE \$23.45
54312	ANACONDA LEADER	CLAIM FORMS, TIME SHEETS \$166.50
54313	ANNIE YOUNG	TRAVEL \$117.72
54314	ASSOCIATION OF MT TROOPERS	LEGISLATIVE BOOKS \$150.00
54315	BART BONNEY	MACRS CONVENTION \$593.12
54316	BILL SLAUGHTER	MACRS CONVENTION \$421.20
54317	BLACKFOOT CFT	MARCH BILLING \$4,147.13
54318	BLAINE BRADSHAW	TRAVEL \$293.30
54319	BLANCHE MCLURE	DISTRICT MEETING \$92.75
54320	BOB'S QUALITY AUTO	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE \$1,204.50
54321	BROWN & ASSOCIATES	ENCROACHMENT REFUND \$125.00
54322	BUTTE PRODUCE	DRMD SRS SUPPLIES \$685.43
54323	CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	MAINTENANCE \$634.96
54324	CASCADE CO REG'L YTH SERV CNTR	YOUTH DETAINEE \$1,930.00
54325	CENTRAL SERVICES DIVISION	AUTOPSY \$1,500.00
54326	CENTURYLINK	MT EMERGENCY BUNDLE SERVICE \$415.80
54327	CENTURYLINK	FCP PHONE \$57.18
54328	COLETTE ADELE FADNESS	MILEAGE \$436.00
54329	COMDATA	MARCH BILLING \$3,604.26
54330	COMPLIANCE MONITORING SYSTEMS	SUPERVISION \$75.00
54331	CULLIGAN	HOT-N-COLD RENTAL \$15.25
54332	CUSTOM RECYCLERS	NON-COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID \$245.00
54333	DEBBIE FRATZKE	SPRING CONFERENCE \$693.35
54334	DIS TECHNOLOGIES	CONTRACTED SERVICES \$1,857.74
54335	DONALD NOLAN DAVIES	AUDITOR \$3,150.00
54336	DOYLE & ASSOCIATES	ANNUAL REPORT \$4,160.00
54337	DRUMMOND AMBULANCE ASSOC	MARCH \$3,810.39

54338	DRUMMOND COMMUNITY HALL	RENT	\$300.00
54339	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	BALLOT STOCK	\$775.34
54340	ENERGY PARTNERS LLC	PROPANE	\$840.00
54341	FICKLER OIL CO. INC.	FUEL	\$1,364.69
54342	GEMPLERS INC	SHIPPING SAVER	\$59.00
54343	GENERAL DISTRIBUTING CO.	ACETYLENE,CO2,HP	\$434.88
54344	GRANITE CO HOSPITAL DISTRICT	DOT PHYSICAL	\$130.00
54345	GRANITE COUNTY TREASURER	POSTAGE	\$373.39
54346	GRANITE DISPOSAL	3 DUMPSTERS	\$330.00
54347	GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$2,396.25
54348	HARLOW'S TRUCK CENTER	MIRROR	\$331.89
54349	HIGH TECH LINEN	RUGS	\$214.85
54350	HOGAN'S RANCH & BUILDERS	SUPPLIES	\$427.99
54351	HUFFMAN GROCERY	INMATE MEALS & SUPPLIES	\$427.04
54352	HUFFMAN GROCERY	SUPPLIES	\$148.30
54353	I STATE TRUCK INC	MUDFLAP	\$19.00
54354	IDENTISYS INC	RIBBON & CORD	\$425.77
54355	JANEEN BONNEY	BOILER CLASS & TEST	\$792.00
54356	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	CUTTING TIPS	\$21.98
54357	KYLE ZIMMERMAN	TRANSPORT FEE	\$375.00
54358	MACDC CONVENTION	CONVENTION REGISTRATION	\$280.00
54359	MACO PCT	ADDITIONAL DEDUCTIBLE	\$272.00
54360	MAPS INC	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$3,356.50
54361	MARCUM FIREARMS	ST-15 FIREARM X 6	\$5,415.00
54362	MARGARET TALLON	TRAVEL	\$32.70
54363	MCGOWAN WATER COND, INC	SALT & SOFTENER RENTAL	\$31.95
54364	MICHAEL KAHOE	POSTAGE	\$24.79
54365	MICHELE PUIGGARI	REFERENCE CHECK X 2	\$90.00
54366	MISSOULA MOTOR PARTS	CLAMP	\$8.60
54367	MONIDA HEALTHCARE NETWORK	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$73.99
54368	MONTANA BOLT & HARDWARE	BOLT BINS	\$1,275.00
54369	MONTANA BROOM & BRUSH	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	\$130.02
54370	MT CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES	REDO PAINT & FIX SIGN	\$100.00
54371	MOUNTAIN WEST COOPERATIVE	PROPANE	\$68.80
54372	MSU EXTENSION SERVICE	SALARY SHARE	\$2,275.00
54373	MT DEPT OF AGRICULTURE	APPLICATOR LICENSE	\$85.00
54374	MYBINDING	HALF SHEET PAPER	\$221.98
54375	NORTHWEST PARTS & EQUIPMENT	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$387.66
54376	NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	MARCH STATEMENTS	\$5,433.53
54377	PACIFIC STEEL - MISSOULA	CUT & BEND METAL	\$566.04
54378	PATRICIA BAUER	MILEAGE	\$372.24
54379	PHILIPSBURG MAIL, THE	ADS	\$1,286.75
54380	PHILIPSBURG SR CITZ CENTER	INMATE MEALS	\$364.00
54381	PHILIPSBURG, TOWN OF	WATER/SEWER	\$428.00
54382	PINTLER PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$2,412.11
54383	PINTLER VETERINARY	HALL SHOP FERAL CATS	\$280.00
54384	POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$200.00
54385	POSTMASTER	CO HEALTH BOX FEE	\$72.00
54386	QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$695.41
54387	RAVE WIRELESS, INC	ANNUAL LICENSE FEE	\$3,000.00
54388	REPUBLIC SERVICES #889	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$5,918.80
54389	REPUBLIC SERVICES OF MONTANA	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$5,151.29
54390	REYNOLDS RADIATOR SERVICE	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$550.00
54391	RICK DAY	TRAVEL	\$29.43
54392	SCOTT ADLER	TRAVEL	\$192.39
54393	SIX ROBBLEE'S	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$134.17
54394	SOLE STONE REIMB SERVICES	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$604.12
54395	STATE TREASURER	ANNUAL REPORT	\$130.00
54396	STEPHENS-PECK INC	TITLE BOOK	\$90.00
54397	SWEET PEA SEWER & SEPTIC	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$225.00
54398	TERRY JO VIETOR	PHONE,POSTAGE,SUPPLIES	\$119.12
54399	TRANSUNION RISK SOLUTIONS	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$76.00
54400	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$1,015.00
54401	VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	\$554.12
54402	WENDY RYAN	WITNESS FEE	\$75.40
54403	WESTERN STATES EQUIPMENT	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$422.38
54404	WESTTEL INTERNATIONAL, LLC	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$650.00
54405	WILLOWROCK INC	SURVEY REVIEWS	\$275.00
54406	WOODLAND CREATIONS	SUPPLIES	\$75.52
54407	YOGO INN	CONFERENCE LODGING	\$173.20
		CLAIMS FUND TOTAL	\$207,497.87

<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>JOB TITLE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
ADLER, SCOTT C	COMMISSIONER	\$2,156.89
ALT, PAUL	ROAD SUPERVISOR	\$5,833.33
ANDERSON, MELINDA K	SOLID WASTE SECRETARY	\$955.20

BAUER, PATRICIA L	AREA V	\$819.18
BOHRNSEN, CAROL P	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	\$3,981.67
BONNEY, BARTON C	COMMISSIONER	\$2,063.03
BONNEY, JANEEN	CUSTODIAN	\$2,536.40
BOUCK, LINDA	PLANNER	\$4,955.60
BRAACH, LEE	SITE RELIEF	\$191.04
BRADSHAW, BLAINE C	COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$7,945.07
BUTLER, JODI L	SOLID WASTE	\$2,923.76
CARTWRIGHT, VALERIE N	DISPATCH	\$2,328.48
CAYKO, NICKIE N	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,168.00
CONRADS, ORWOLL B	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$837.00
CROSS, AUSTIN M	DISPATCHER	\$2,228.80
DAY, JAN P	DEPUTY CLERK	\$1,458.28
DAY, NELS R	DES COORDINATOR	\$1,099.44
DUNKERSON, WAYNE S	SHERIFF	\$4,471.67
FADNESS, COLETTE A	AREA V AIDE	\$427.63
FRATZKE, DEBBIE	JUSTICE OF THE PEACE	\$1,955.83
GRAHAM, SARAH E	DEPUTY CLERK & RECORDER	\$3,307.50
GROSVOLD, LACIE J	CLERK	\$1,183.20
HARDING, JEAN M	DISPATCHER	\$2,859.52
HARDING, VICKI B	TREASURER	\$4,331.67
HENNAGER, DEANNA L	DISPATCHER	\$2,451.10
HOEHNE, JOHN W	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,749.95
HOLLAND, BRAD J	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,168.00
HULTMAN, TY R	DEPUTY	\$3,606.72
JACOBSON, STEVEN	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,556.73
KAHOE, MICHAEL	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	\$4,556.64
KANE, KATHERINE	DISPATCHER	\$557.60
KENDALL, JOHN S	SOLID WASTE	\$3,164.80
KENDALL, JOY J	SOLID WASTE RELIEF	\$13.18
KINGREY, ELWYN	JUNK VEHICLE	\$434.51
19056 LARDY, JAMES D	SITE RELIEF	\$334.32
LATRAY, DANETTE L	TREASURER DEPUTY	\$3,307.50
LEHNEN, VICTORIA A	DISPATCHER	\$2,790.16
LOOBEY, THERESA R	TITLE CLERK	\$2,687.52
MCDONNELL, FRED N	SOLID WASTE RELIEF	\$496.80
MCLURE, BLANCHE A	CLERK & RECORDER	\$4,331.67
OLSEN, RICK C	DEPUTY	\$3,448.36
OSTLER, JASON K	DEPUTY	\$3,300.00
OWENS, NANCY	RELIEF	\$389.76
PALMER, KAREN P	COUNTY AGENT SEC	\$2,412.96
PARKE, CLAUDETTE	CO ATTORNEY SECRETARY	\$3,046.56
PAWLAK, KIMBERLY	FLOATING CLERK	\$1,718.26
PETERS, DEBORAH A	DISPATCHER RELIEF	\$1,263.52
PETERS, STEVEN D	DEPUTY	\$3,362.85
RUSSELL, JAMES R	DEPUTY	\$3,465.00
SLAUGHTER, BILL L	COMMISSIONER	\$2,041.11
SMITH, REBECCA	PHEP COORDINATOR	\$1,402.20
SMITH, THADDEUS M	RELIEF DEPUTY	\$609.28
SWANSON, DAVID C	WEED FOREMAN	\$610.80
TALLON, MARGARET	COUNTY SCHOOL SPECIALIST	\$156.00
VIETOR, TERRY J	CRIME CONTROL ADVOCATE	\$1,154.40
WALDEN, JAMES L	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,708.00
WEST, WILLIAM H	DAM TENDER	\$260.63
YOUNG, ANN D	COUNTY HEALTH NURSE	\$5,967.00
58 EMPLOYEES	TOTAL GROSS PAYROLL	\$141,542.08

<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
19056 JAMES LARDY	SEE "GROSS PAYROLL"
19057 AFLAC INS	\$205.81
19058 CHRISTMAS CLUB	\$1,780.00
19059 COLONIAL	\$18.75
19060 FIT	\$8,935.53
19060 MEDICARE	\$3,946.96
19060 P.E.R.S.	\$17,819.73
19060 PERS RETIREE	\$400.95
19060 SHERIFF RETIRE	\$5,112.66
19060 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$16,876.60
19060 TRS	\$26.55
19060 UNEMPL. INSUR.	\$1,532.71
19061 IUOE 400	\$403.20
19062 MACO DENTAL	\$2,278.00
19062 MACO VISION	\$499.00
19062 MACOHCT	\$45,805.00
19062 UNUMLIFE	\$736.85
19063 PEBSC	\$3,825.00

19064 SIT	\$5,655.00
19065 UNION - PENSION	\$554.76
19066 WORKERS' COMP	\$17,132.81
TOTAL PAYROLL LIABILITIES	\$133,545.87

GRANITE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

April 3, 2018

The Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Office of the Granite County Courthouse with Chairperson Bill Slaughter and Commissioners Scott Adler and Barton Bonney attending. Also attending was Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe. The session convened with the pledge of allegiance.

Road and Bridge Superintendent/Solid Waste Manager Paul Alt's meeting was deferred.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.13 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The lake is approximately 16.44 inches below full pool at an outflow of 38.8 cfs through the power plant and over the weir. The Board made no change in the outflow on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and a second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. A gap in communication during a recent alarm at Georgetown Lake was discussed with DES/Safety Coordinator Rick Day. It was noted that Commissioner Adler did not receive notification of the alarm, which turned out to be the USGS changing a battery on a gage. Rick Day agreed to clarify the chain of notification with the sheriff's office.

The Board considered the DNRC/RRGL Planning Grant Agreement RPG-18-0570, Flint Creek Dam Technical Narrative, in the amount of \$15,000.00. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve the agreement and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Dick Motta requested and received a copy of the grant agreement.

The Board considered the Joint Funding Agreement with the U.S. Geological Survey for Gage at Georgetown Lake Dam. The agreement specifies that Granite County will cover \$2,860.00 of the cost and the U.S. Geological Survey will cover \$1,900.00 of the cost for the gage from October 1, 2017, to September 30, 2018. Commissioner Adler moved to approve the agreement and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Corrective Plan and Schedule for the Part 12-D Safety Inspection Report, Revision 2, for the Flint Creek Dam. The Corrective Plan and Schedule was prepared by Great West Engineering of Helena and extends the completion date due to winter weather on two items; cleaning drainage culverts in the left abutment and repair of a PVC conduit along the top of the dam. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve the Corrective Plan and Schedule, Revision 2, and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. The plan and schedule will be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), Portland Regional Office. Dick Motta requested and received a copy of the plan and schedule, and a copy of the U.S. Geological Survey Funding Agreement.

The Board referred to the Invitation To Bid legal advertisement as published in the March 15 and 22, 2018, issues of the *Philipsburg Mail* newspaper regarding sealed bids for the Granite County - Flint Creek Dam Gate Replacement Project to supply two 30-inch throttling knife gate valves, operators, mechanical joint restraints and appurtenances for the intake pipes on the dam. Installation of the valves will be completed under a separate contract. At 10:00 a.m. Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe opened the sealed bids and read them aloud as follows:

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BIDDER	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
Core and Main, Missoula	\$68,000.00	\$136,000.00
Pipestone Equipment, Bozeman	\$147,485.00	\$294,970.00
Northwest Pipe Fittings, Butte	\$62,514.93	\$125,029.86

All bids were taken under advisement by the Board, scanned and emailed to engineer Jeremiah Theys with Great West Engineering of Helena for review, tabulation and recommendation. The Board scheduled a bid award on the April 10, 2018, agenda at 10:00 a.m. Dustin Barron with Northwest Pipe Fittings attended.

Fred Bjorklund and Todd Schmidt with the Georgetown Lake Volunteer Fire Department met with the Board regarding the department's letter dated 3-21-2018 regarding Rising Sun Subdivision's fire suppression system and litigation matters with Rising Sun. The letter detailed insufficiencies in the subdivision's fire suppression system. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw noted that a civil complaint had been filed in the matter in district court in 2017, but a summons was not served. The Board agreed that the summons should be served on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and second by Commissioner Adler. The Board discussed that the developer had been given every opportunity to repair the fire suppression system and it has not been done. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Attorney Bradshaw noted that mediation may be required by the district court.

Maria Stoppler, CEO/DON of Granite County Hospital District, met with the Board and presented the monthly financial update. She presented a financial report dated 4-3-2018 with projected cash available of a negative \$314,341, projected deposits through 4-15-2018 of \$502,048, accounts payable of \$28,000, for projected cash reserves of \$159,707 (14 days of operation). She indicated that the clinic days in Drummond may be changed, which would change the clinic days in Philipsburg; she is sending out a questionnaire to the Drummond clients regarding the potential change. She presented an administrator's report dated March 27, 2018. She noted that a bid opening has been held on the CT scanner, but some questions remain on which machine is appropriate for the facility. She also presented a utilization recap and a financial balance sheet as of February 28, 2018. District board member John Barbara and Dick Motta attended. John Barbara indicated that he has gotten several calls requesting that the Drummond Clinic schedule be revised and he noted that the purchasing of the Athena program, the first for a hospital in Montana, for billing has been a very good move. Dick Motta inquired about the contractual adjustment on the financial report and Maria Stoppler explained that the accounting procedure is utilized when insurance companies only pay a set amount for a procedure instead of what the facility charges.

Ben Nunnallee, Project Engineer with the Missoula District of the Montana Department of Transportation, met with the Board instead of Shane Stack. He gave an update on projects planned within the district, including those which are federally funded. Projects for 2018 and later included I-90 overlay at Bearmouth, 15 miles to be done by Riverside Construction; signing and delineation on a section of I-90 into Powell County; wild animal crash mitigation on a section of I-90 at Jens; and Georgetown Lake to Philipsburg overlay surface and guardrail work. He noted that four locations targeted for work are Secondary Highway 271 for chip seal; two sections of secondary, east and west, out of Hall for chip seal; Secondary 348 for leveling and overlay; and chip seal on the Skalkaho Highway. Commissioner Adler noted that the former weigh station turnouts on I-90 near Drummond are collecting garbage and debris. The Board brought up that the guardrail at the intersection of Highway One and Flint Creek Dam has been damaged and requested that it be repaired as it is thought to be in the highway right-of-way. In response to the Board's observation that some bridge decks on I-90 between Drummond and Missoula are in poor condition, Ben Nunnallee noted that bridge work on I-90 in Granite County is not currently scheduled. The Board expressed appreciation for the department's financial assistance on

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the resurfacing of the bridge over the Clark Fork River at Drummond. Emily Petrovski with the *Philipsburg Mail* newspaper attended.

The Board considered granting authority to Commission Chairperson Bill Slaughter to act for the Board during mediation in Water Court Case 76GJ-40 with the scope of authority to execute a potential settlement agreement. Following consultation with County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw, the Board agreed that all three Commissioners would attend the mediation on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Bonney. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. The mediation is scheduled for April 26, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the District Courtroom of the Granite County Courthouse and will be noticed as a public meeting.

The Board held the first reading of Resolution 2018-9 “A Granite County Resolution Amending the County’s 2017 Fiscal Year Budget to Amend Certain Inter-Fund Transfers.” There was no public comment. The Board noted that the resolution was recommended by auditor Donald Davies.

The Board held the first reading of Resolution 2018-10 “A Granite County Resolution Amending the Current Fiscal Year Budget for County’s DNRC/RPG Grant Fund No. 2865 to Account for Unanticipated Funds, DNRC’s Renewable Resource Planning Grant.” There was no public comment.

Public Comment: There was no public comment during the specified time on the agenda.

Correspondence: The Board wrote a letter to Regional Engineer Douglas L. Johnson with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), Portland Regional Office, submitting the Corrective Plan and Schedule for Part 12-D Safety Inspection Report, Revision 2, for the Flint Creek Project.

The session adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

ATTEST: _____

Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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April 10, 2018

The Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Office of the Granite County Courthouse with Chairperson Bill Slaughter and Commissioners Scott Adler and Barton Bonney attending. Also attending was Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe. The session convened with the pledge of allegiance.

Road and Bridge Superintendent/Solid Waste Manager Paul Alt met with the Board and gave his report. Discussion was held on the purchase of a new Walk-n-Roll packer/roller road compactor to pull behind a motor grader for approximately \$22,000.00 from LyCox Enterprises of Billings. Commissioner Slaughter moved to purchase the compactor and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried with Commissioners Slaughter and Bonney voting in favor of the motion and Commissioner Adler voting against it. A new computer program for the solid waste container sites provided by Scaleit USA was discussed. Paul Alt reported that the current computer program, MIPayload, at the solid waste container sites is no longer supported by the manufacturer. A new computer program for both the Drummond and Philipsburg container sites and for the Treasurer’s Office, which would greatly reduce the trips by the

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Treasurer's Office to the container sites, costs \$7,200.00 for a one year subscription. This computer program is recommended by the scales installer, is used by all the state-operated weigh stations in Montana and it offers 24-hour tech support. Commissioner Bonney moved to accept the \$7,200.00 proposal from Scaleit USA and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.12 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The lake is approximately 16.56 inches below full pool at an outflow of 40 cfs through the power plant and over the weir. The Board made no change in the outflow on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and a second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

In an administrative action, the Board agreed to grant written permission to Granite County Treasurer Vicki Harding to log onto the Black Mountain Assessor computer program to download the tax information from the Montana Department of Revenue.

The Board reviewed the Dam Safety Surveillance and Monitoring Reports (DSSMR's) for 2016 and 2017 for the Flint Creek Dam as prepared by Great West Engineering of Helena. The reports were approved on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Copies of the reports will be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), Portland Regional Office.

The Board reviewed the bid tabulation, as prepared by Great West Engineering of Helena, for the April 3, 2018, bid opening on the Granite County - Flint Creek Dam Gate Replacement Project to supply two 30-inch throttling knife gate valves, operators, mechanical joint restraints and appurtenances for the intake pipes on the dam. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. The engineering firm recommended the bid award to Northwest Pipe Fittings as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for a total bid of \$125,029.86. Commissioner Bonney moved to accept the bid of Northwest Pipe Fittings of Butte as recommended by the engineering firm and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. Chairperson Slaughter asked for public comment. After being recognized by Chairperson Slaughter, Dick Motta requested a copy of the documents being discussed and Chairperson Slaughter indicated that copies are available at \$0.25 each. Dick Motta stated that the agenda should be published in the newspaper and it is his constitutional right to participate in the meeting. Chairperson Slaughter stated that he is running this meeting and requested that Dick Motta confine his comments to the subject on the agenda. Dick Motta interrupted without recognition of the chairperson and continued to speak about his constitutional right to participate and requested that Mike Kahoe put in the minutes that he is being denied his right to participate. Chairperson Slaughter responded that he (Dick Motta) does not determine what goes into the Board's minutes. Attorney Bradshaw informed Dick Motta that copies of agenda items are available in the Clerk and Recorder's Office for the stated fee. Chairperson Slaughter again requested that Dick Motta confine his comments to the agenda item or leave the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The Board executed the Notice of Award/Notice to Proceed and will return a scanned copy to the engineer. Dick Motta again interrupted without being recognized by the chairperson and requested a copy and stated that it is his right to participate in the meeting. Chairperson Slaughter, banging the gavel several times, again requested Dick Motta to be quiet. Dick Motta continued to state that it is his right to participate. Chairperson Slaughter then telephoned the sheriff's office and requested that an officer come to the courthouse to keep order in the meeting due to Dick Motta's continued interruptions. Sheriff Dunkerson arrived and inquired what was going on. Chairperson Slaughter informed the sheriff that Dick Motta is disrupting the business of the county. Dick Motta again stated that it is his constitutional right to participate in the meeting. Sheriff Dunkerson informed Dick Motta that he was not under arrest and requested that he come with him to the sheriff's office to give a statement. Dick Motta left voluntarily with Sheriff Dunkerson. Sheriff Dunkerson

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said that he would get statements from everyone involved and he and Dick Motta left the Commission Office.

Brett Bledsoe with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) met with the Board and presented information on the above average snowpack in the Upper Clark Fork Basin. He noted that the precipitation and snow water equivalent at Peterson Meadows, in the Georgetown Lake drainage, is well above average at 156%. He left copies for the Board of the Montana Water Supply Outlook Report published by the NRCS dated April 1, 2018.

Vince Reece, Granite County Airports Manager, met with the Board by speaker telephone to discuss two items; the condition of Mark Hudgens' hangar and to request a change for the insurance requirement on the Airport Rental Agreements. Steve Immenschuh and Rod McKenzie attended. Vince Reece had sent photographs of the condition of Mark Hudgens hangar and stated that Mark Hudgens had indicated he would not repair his hangar until the runway is upgraded. Vince Reece noted that he has not received a lease or proof of insurance on that hangar. Discussion was held that Mark Hudgens had wanted rules and regulations for the airport when he was a member of the airport board. Attorney Bradshaw noted that the next step would be for the county to tear down the hangar, as Mark Hudgens does not have a lease and it is a hazard and a liability. Attorney Bradshaw agreed to send another letter stating that Mark Hudgens has three days to repair the hangar or it will be torn down and he will be billed for the expense. Vince Reece agreed to get additional photographs of the hangar. Attorney Bradshaw indicated that it is difficult for some people to add the county as an additional insured on their airport hangar insurance policies. Vince Reece said that after investigating, it is a hardship for some people to add the county as an additional insured to the airport hangar lease because of the type of insurance that they carry and he recommended that it be dropped from the agreement. Commissioner Adler moved to have the requirement of Granite County being named as an additional insured be dropped from the airport lease agreement and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Rod McKenzie commented that he believes that he has current insurance on his airplane. Vince Reece noted that it is not a state requirement in Montana that airplanes be insured. Attorney Bradshaw agreed to send out a letter noting that the requirement in the lease has been dropped. Rod McKenzie related that he purchased a hangar several years ago until he can make a decision as to whether he wants to move to Philipsburg or not. He owns two aircraft and he would like to have additional time to get some stored items out of his hangar. He commented that he admires the efforts of the Commissioners and the airport board to upgrade the field and he has considered a commercial glider business here. Commissioner Adler indicated that he is in favor of granting additional time. Chairperson Slaughter noted that the county has a responsibility to keep the airport for aircraft use. Rod McKenzie noted that there is currently space in his hangar for an aircraft, but there are things in there which are not aircraft related. He requested that he be allowed one year to have the hangar completely available for aircraft purposes. The Board agreed with the request. Rod McKenzie also noted that he will make every effort to get the proper insurance on his hangar. He related that at one time the FAA required aviation purposes for buildings on airports, but aviation has declined and the FAA has backed off of that requirement. Attorney Bradshaw noted that the idea of aviation purposes is helpful in getting grants for airport improvements.

The Board held the first reading of Resolution 2018-8 "A Granite County Resolution Of Intent To Transfer Ownership Of A County Owned Ford Explorer To The Town Of Philipsburg's Volunteer Fire Department." Notice of the proposed action was published in the legal notices section of the *Philipsburg Mail* newspaper on March 29 and April 5, 2018. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. There was no public comment.

The Board held the second reading of Resolution 2018-9 "A Granite County Resolution Amending The County's 2017 Fiscal Year Budget To Amend Certain Inter-Fund Transfers." County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended and noted that this resolution is at the request of auditor Donald Davies to remove some double entries from the county's

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accounting system. Commissioner Bonney moved to adopt Resolution 2018-9 and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board held the second reading of Resolution 2018-10 "A Granite County Resolution Amending The Current Fiscal Year Budget For County's DNRC/RPG Grant Fund No. 2865 To Account For Unanticipated Funds, DNRC's Renewable Resource Planning Grant." County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Commissioner Bonney moved to adopt Resolution 2018-10 and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the draft minutes for March 2018. The minutes were approved on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Rick Day, county DES/Safety Coordinator, met with the Board for a review of the draft County Building Emergency Action Plan, with particular attention paid to the "County Building Requirement" and the "Department Head and Human Resource Responsibilities." The Board discussed having employee emergency contact numbers available to 9-1-1 dispatch and Rick Day agreed to follow up. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve the County Building Emergency Action Plan document with the changes made today and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Rick Day reported on progress on safety enhancements for the courthouse, including the Justice Court and District Court. He reported that Doug Graybeal, a local contractor, has made a preliminary inspection of the courthouse. The Board agreed to have the contractor make a plan and a cost estimate. The Board notified Rick Day about the information provided today from the NRCS regarding heavy snowpack and the concern for high runoff with the potential for flooding. The availability of sandbags and sand, free of charge, was identified at both the Hall and Philipsburg Road Department shops. Rick Day requested a county cell phone which could be transferred to anyone who succeeds him and would contain phone numbers essential to the position. The Board agreed to the request on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried.

The Board considered the proposal from the Montana Association of Counties Health Care Trust regarding renewal of the county health insurance. The Board noted that there is a 3% overall premium increase for the medical plans, a 0% increase for the dental plan and a 6.7% increase to the vision plan for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve the rates as proposed and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board considered the Service Provider Designation for earmarked alcohol tax funds. The Board agreed to continue to send all of those funds to Western Montana Addiction Services for prevention and outpatient treatment. The action was taken on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Bonney. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Jacqueline Butler met with the Board and inquired why the county does not plow the snow from the highway to the Flint Creek power plant. She informed the Board that it is a county road and she stated that it had not been plowed for about three months this winter. Chairperson Slaughter stated that the county has priority roads for plowing, like school bus routes, and that some county roads are not maintained. Commissioner Adler noted that Buster Butler had been assisted by the county road crew when he was stuck and Chairperson Slaughter reviewed the county's Good Neighbor Policy. Jacqueline Butler stated that she feels that after her experience on the Philipsburg Town Council that all men are dogs. She stated that she gets water from Flint Creek for her horses and cows. She again requested that the road be plowed.

Correspondence: The Board wrote a letter to Regional Engineer Douglas L. Johnson with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), Portland Regional Office,

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submitting the Dam Safety Surveillance and Monitoring Reports (DSSMR's) for 2016 and 2017 for the Flint Creek Dam.

The session adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

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Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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April 17, 2018

The Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Office of the Granite County Courthouse with Chairperson Bill Slaughter and Commissioners Scott Adler and Barton Bonney attending. Also attending was Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe. The session convened with the pledge of allegiance.

Road and Bridge Superintendent/Solid Waste Manager Paul Alt did not meet with the Board. The Board discussed a letter from Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools Vicki Harding dated 4/13/2018 regarding overages on solid waste and a new computer program for the solid waste department. Clerk and Recorder Blanche McLure met with the Board and presented information on the solid waste overage system; she noted that at one time 185 tons of waste was paid to be hauled to Missoula, which was paid with overage funds. The Board agreed that if solid waste users have problems with scale weights that it will be reviewed and taken care of by Solid Waste Manager Paul Alt. The road budget was discussed and will be discussed in detail on next week's Board agenda, including the purchase or lease/purchase of a mini-excavator.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.14 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The lake is approximately 16.32 inches below full pool at an outflow of 40 cfs through the power plant and 41.1 cfs over the weir. The Board made no change in the outflow on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and a second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board conducted the quarterly jail inspection. The Board found all relevant matters in order.

The Board reviewed county claims for March 2018. Commissioner Adler recused himself from voting on any claims for Adler Towing; and Adler Towing receives work as the business is on a rotation list with law enforcement. The claims were approved on the motion of Commissioner Bonney, except the claim of O. B. Conrads for truck repair which is awaiting approval of Road and Bridge Superintendent Paul Alt, and second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried.

The Board held the second reading of Resolution 2018-8 "A Granite County Resolution Of Intent To Transfer Ownership Of A County Owned Ford Explorer To The Town Of Philipsburg's Volunteer Fire Department." County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Notice of the proposed action was published in the legal notices section of the *Philipsburg Mail* newspaper on March 29 and April 5, 2018. Commissioner Adler moved to adopt Resolution 2018-8 and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board considered the written request from Rob Roberts, Project Manager with Trout Unlimited, for a letter of support for a DNRC Reclamation and Development Grant application for the Silver King Mine Reclamation Project. The objective of the project is to

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safely remove and contain approximately 9,000 cubic yards of mine waste rock that is leaching into Sluice Gulch Creek. The Granite Conservation District will sponsor the application to the DNRC Reclamation and Development Grant Program, and Trout Unlimited and the conservation district will attempt to raise funds for the required match. Commissioner Bonney moved to write a letter supporting the objective of the project. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried with Commissioners Slaughter and Bonney voting in favor of the motion and Commissioner Adler voting against the motion. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

Commissioner Adler excused himself from the session at noon.

At 1:00 p.m. the Board considered the transfer of county ownership of a 2013 Ford Explorer (VIN #1FM5K8AR1DGB08213; gray in color) to the Town of Philipsburg's Volunteer Fire Department in return for the nominal purchase payment of \$1 as this was an effort to assist a critical, local emergency service provider. Notice of the proposed action was published in the legal notices section of the *Philipsburg Mail* newspaper on March 29 and April 5, 2018. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Commissioner Bonney moved to transfer the 2013 Ford Explorer, noting the receipt of \$1 from the fire department, to the Philipsburg Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no written or vocal public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board considered the purchase agreement with Marcum Firearms of Laurel, Indiana, in the amount of \$10,830 for the purchase of six Marcum Firearms Model ST15 rifles and accessories for the Sheriff's Department for law enforcement use only. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Commissioner Bonney moved for approval of the agreement and Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried.

County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw met with the Board regarding Water Court Case 76GJ-40 (76GJ 40733-00, 76GJ 94401-00 and 76GJ 94402-00). He reported that the objections of Esther J. McDonald and Verlanic Ranch LLC have been withdrawn and there is no need to go forward with the mediation scheduled for later this month. The case continues in the Water Court as the Court is working through the tedious process of issuing final decrees and also Montana Power Company, Granite County's predecessor, had filed certain objections regarding average flow rates; however, legal briefs have already been filed with the Water Court clarifying the issues and arguments have been consistent with Montana water law.

The Board noted receipt of a letter from the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 400, requesting opening of negotiations on the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Granite County Road Department Unit. The Board agreed that Commissioner Adler will negotiate for the county, County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw will provide legal counsel, and attorney Emma Peckinpaugh with the firm of Poore, Roth and Robinson of Butte will be available as a consultant for the county on all matters related to unions. Attorney Bradshaw agreed to contact Emma Peckinpaugh regarding these issues and give her notice of this decision.

Public comment: Dick Motta met with the Board and questioned whether charges were going to be filed against him regarding his conduct during the previous week's Board regular meeting. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw explained that Special Deputy County Attorney Susan Callahan is handling the matter, not him, as Attorney Bradshaw was a witness. Please refer to the Board's approved minutes from April 10, 2018 for more information.

Also under public comment, Brian Robins with the DRNC met with the Board to report that negotiations are continuing on a potential land exchange with Tony Marletto.

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Discussion was held that one road is a major issue, and local irrigators are concerned about the East Fork ditch on the property. Mr. Marletto had stated that certain landowners in the vicinity of East Fork Reservoir were objecting to having currently public land be privately owned, and there are other concerns of lower valley irrigators, and that Tony Marletto may offer additional land in the negotiations.

Also under public comment, Lincoln Vaughn with Lincoln Roofs and Construction of Butte met with the Board and presented a proposal for reroofing the courthouse and capping the parapet walls. He presented a diagram of the roof and indicated that he would start with the wells at each corner and finish with the roof over the district courtroom. Existing roofing and underlayment must be removed and he has an OSHA approved debris chute. The Board emphasized the importance of the historic nature of the building and that the view from the street must remain original. He presented a written proposal of \$39,200.00 for a GAF roof system with a 15-year manufacturer's warranty. He will have a formal agreement drawn up for the County Attorney's review and the Board's consideration on a future agenda.

Also under public comment, Mark Hudgens met with the Board to discuss his hangar, which has been damaged by the weather, at Riddick Field Airport in Philipsburg. He indicated that he received today the certified letter which states that the hangar is a safety issue. He alleged that he has secured the hangar and he doesn't know if there is going to be an airport due to the runway condition, so he is reluctant to rebuild. The Board emphasized that hangars are to be used for aircraft and not as storage units, regardless of the runway condition, and that grants are being sought to repair the runway. Mark Hudgens indicated that he is going to tear the hangar down and repurpose the materials, he will sign the proposed lease and he may put up a temporary hangar, similar to those used by the Department of Transportation to store material, as there are no architectural guidelines for hangars. The Board requested that Mark Hudgens submit photographs of the proposed hangar to the Board, which can then be submitted to the airport board for review and recommendation. The Board noted that it is the intention to move ahead with improvement of the existing runway, but there is currently no definite timeline. The Board requested that Mark Hudgens notify the Board if his plans change

Correspondence: The Board wrote a letter to Vince Reece, chair of the Granite County Airport Board, regarding a change in the rental agreement provisions for hangars at Riddick Field Airport in Philipsburg.

The session adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

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Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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April 24, 2018

The Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Office of the Granite County Courthouse with Chairperson Bill Slaughter and Commissioners Scott Adler and Barton Bonney attending. Also attending was Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe. The session convened with the pledge of allegiance.

Road and Bridge Superintendent/Solid Waste Manager Paul Alt met with the Board and gave his weekly report. He reported that road blading is being done while there is moisture on the roads.

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- Discussion was held on the Road Department budget and a planned major repair on a section of Mullan Road requiring fabric and gravel surfacing. It may be done in two fiscal years, depending on cost. Commissioner Bonney reported that some roads in the Georgetown Lake area are drying out and should be workable by next week. The Board noted that over \$100,000 has accumulated in fuel tax funds. Susie Browning commented that it has been a bad year for pot holes and inquired whether cold patch or hot mix patch will be used. Paul Alt responded that cold patch is usually temporary and that hot mix is a more permanent repair; also, blading is being done first while there is moisture in the roads and plans include chip sealing on some roads to preserve them.
- Discussion was held on the purchase or lease/purchase of a mini-excavator. Paul Alt presented prices and lease/purchase plans from RDO Equipment (\$67,500.00), Big Sky Kubota (\$67,195.00), Modern Machinery (\$76,945.00) and Western States Cat (\$66,544.00), all of Missoula. The Board noted that the purchase price from all four dealers is below the amount that would need to be publicly bid. Discussion was held on the lease/purchase plan for the Cat machine and the longer warranty. Commissioner Adler moved to accept the Cat lease/purchase, which comes with two buckets, and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. Susie Browning inquired whether the county has a backhoe and Paul Alt replied that it does, but this is a faster machine and requires only a one-man operation. Susie Browning inquired whether private contracting had been considered and the Board responded that it had been considered, but usually the private contractors were busy at the same time the county needs the equipment. There was no further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.
- Discussion was held on the purchase of a laptop computer to be installed in the road superintendent's pickup truck. Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe noted that a proposal had been received from MaPS and a proposal has been requested from DIS, but has not yet been received. The Board agreed to wait for the DIS proposal.
- Paul Alt noted that there has been a request that the county supply a water truck for a mud bog event. He indicated that it should be done through a private contractor as there is not sufficient road department staff to operate it. John Spaeth indicated that the fire service areas should be contacted as they have water trucks.
- Paul Alt gave his consent for Board approval to pay the claim (withheld last week) from O. B. Conrads for a truck repair.
- Suzanne Browning commented that in the February minutes Paul Alt would get together the cost of damages to county roads due to the forest fires last year. Commissioner Slaughter noted that a face-to-face meeting was held with the forest service to determine exactly which roads had been damaged and that the county has received a total of about \$130,000.00 from the forest service. Susie Browning commented about the road position which had been advertised. The Board noted that the interview and hiring process did not involve two Commissioners, which would constitute a quorum, therefore it was not on the Board's agenda or in the minutes. Paul Alt noted that the position had been filled. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended the part of the meeting described in this current paragraph.

Rory Zarling, Pat Saffel, Jamie Mongoven and Allan Fuser, all with Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP), met with the Board to present site design plans for the proposed Bearmouth Fishing Access which are 95% complete. Others attending were County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw, Sheriff Scott Dunkerson and Planning Director/Floodplain Administrator Linda Bouck. Rory Zarling explained the process to date and indicated that he felt that most of the original concerns were alleviated. He noted that FWP has been working on this site for about 12 years and concerns were worked through. He indicated that cleanup of the site will be done approximately every two days. He noted that the restroom (vault latrine) was moved out of the floodplain to meet regulations. Alternative locations were considered and some plans were adjusted. Commissioner Adler noted that many bicyclers utilize the site now and that with development more will likely utilize it; also, it will likely be used as a rest area because it is visible from the Interstate. Rory Zarling indicated that warden districts will be realigned in order to provide additional security.

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Sheriff Dunkerson indicated that there are problems attracted by fishing access sites which are not handled by wardens, which he had informed the group during the first meeting held about this site. Commissioner Adler inquired about how people are going to return to the site without utilizing the entrance and Rory Zarling responded that there is a fence at the on-ramp to the Interstate and overflow parking available. Sheriff Dunkerson inquired whether the fishing access would be fenced off. He noted that the adjoining landowners are against the site and it will be a burden to his office as no warden will be available some of the time. Sheriff Dunkerson indicated that he has been working that corridor for 18 years and he will instruct dispatchers to contact Missoula County for early morning calls; also, the swimming hole in that vicinity has been an age-old problem for years due to automobile break-ins and that type of problem. Joe Moran, land owner on north side of the frontage road, recalled that he had only three hours of notice for one meeting and all present unanimously voted against the project. He noted that very few people in his area get the local newspaper and some live off the grid; he felt there could have been better notification. He feels like they are being steamrolled and all area landowners have seen suspicious or illegal activity in the area; not enough FWP personnel to cover the area. He noted that he was surprised that FWP wardens do not handle criminal activity outside of fishing and hunting regulations. Commissioner Adler emphasized that he feels that it is a done deal, he is against it, it is in a very poor location and adjacent landowners are against it. Rory Zarling indicated that a developed site may actually deter illegal activity. He reported that it will now go to the regional supervisor for final approval and that he will bring the concerns which were raised today to the regional supervisor prior to the final approval process, but they are in the process of moving forward with the project at this time; they are in the middle of getting proposals from contractors and an on-site meeting is scheduled for May first. Elena Gagliano inquired whether there was an environmental assessment completed, public comment, and government coordination with the county. Rory Zarling noted that \$50,000 was received from the Natural Resources Damage Program and that they have taken an extra year to go through this process. Elena Gagliano inquired about whether the coordination process was followed and stated that it is not just taking public comment and going ahead with the project. Commissioner Slaughter thanked the group for taking the time to explain the project. Rory Zarling explained that during the process that notices have been in the newspaper multiple times, and an email mailing list and a hard mail mailing list were also used. Commissioner Slaughter expressed his frustrations with the project and stated his objection to it. He further noted that county government has not been involved and that local county people are very much against the project.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.09 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The lake is approximately 16.92 inches below full pool at an outflow of 43.5 cfs through the power plant and 43.5 cfs over the weir. The Board made no change in the outflow on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and a second by Commissioner Adler. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. The Board noted that the weather forecast is for increasing temperatures at Georgetown Lake later this week.

A proposed DEQ/MT Environmental Custodial Trust's Permanent Easement Grant of a Public Road at Black Pine to Granite County was discussed with County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw. Commissioner Slaughter noted that a new haul road was constructed, essentially moving a county road, during the Black Pine Mine Reclamation Project without county approval and he wanted to assure that the newly constructed road would be given to the county by easement. Commissioner Slaughter noted that the exhibit in the proposed document does not contain the entire modified road in question. Commissioner Bonney moved to table the agenda item until the Board can schedule a field trip to the site when weather allows. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. Dick Motta suggested letting the people in Black Pine know about the inspection (field trip). He also expressed concern about additional traffic and heavy equipment being hauled on the Black Pine Road. The motion carried. Attorney Bradshaw noted that the DEQ has not acknowledged that there is a county road in the area, though the Black Pine Road clearly is a county road and Attorney Bradshaw has provided proof of such to DEQ's counsel, Thad Adkins. The proof provided consisted of the petition with description of the road and

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acceptance by the Granite County Commission, and such documentation was researched and found by County Planner, Linda Bouck. Also, Commissioner Slaughter noted that the tours of the project which had been promised prior by the Forest Service and DEQ never occurred as such a tour was to occur before the project commenced. The Board agreed that the Forest Service will be invited on the site visit.

The Board noted that all three Commissioners and Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe attended a Tri-County Meeting in Anaconda yesterday hosted by Anaconda-Deer Lodge County for general discussion. Subjects included the Tri-County Fair, insurance programs, the hiring of deputy elected officials, available training through the prison, the Tri-County Sanitarian's Office (which all three counties share), and a fine proposed for Powell County for \$3.9 million by the Coast Guard for former Milwaukee Railroad property cleanup.

The Board noted receipt of three Petitions to Abandon, Vacate, and Discontinue Use of a County Road for streets and alleys in Maxville. The petitions are for First Avenue South from Montana Highway 1 to Maple Street, Oak Street from the alley between Block 9 and 10 to the alley between 19 and 20, and Division Avenue from Montana Highway 1 to Maple Street. The Board will appoint a Commissioner and the County Surveyor, on a future agenda, to make a site inspection and a report.

Vera Johnson, John Johnson and Jo Tucker with the Philipsburg Senior Citizen's Center met with the Board to discuss the group's budget. The group presented documents for the 2016/2017 fiscal year. John Johnson suggested reallocating county funds for the Drummond and Philipsburg Senior Citizens Centers based on population. The Board suggested that possibly the allocation be related to meals served. Discussion was held on different ways of distributing the mill money between the two senior citizen's centers. Susie Browning noted that the taxable valuation is higher in the Drummond area due to utilities like the railroad. The Board suggested that month-to-month meals served over the last year be requested from both Drummond and Philipsburg centers, then have a meeting with both groups. Susie Browning suggested that Joe Gilboy with Area V Agency on Aging attend the meeting.

The Board reviewed position descriptions for a Short-Term Recording Secretary for the Granite County Forest Management Advisory Committee and for the Short-Term Clerk in the Clerk and Recorder's Office. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Discussion was held on the reasons for the new positions. Elena Gagliano, secretary of the Forest Management Advisory Committee, suggested that the committee should have been set up by a formal resolution. Commissioner Slaughter stated that it was his feeling that the group should have the freedom to operate as the committee desires. He noted that the Board would be agreeable to doing a formal resolution at the request of the committee. Elena Gagliano noted that she has had questions regarding the operation of the committee, of which she is a member. Elena Gagliano argued that a formal, numbered resolution was required to form such an advisory board, and Susanne Browning concurred. There was then an exchange between Susanne Browning and Attorney Bradshaw as Attorney Bradshaw asked if Suzanne Browning was an attorney and she noted that she is not an attorney. Attorney Bradshaw disagreed, but agreed a formal resolution was an advisable practice. Attorney Bradshaw indicated that the policy on the minutes could be a part of a formal resolution. Commissioner Slaughter stated that the committee is evolving into the type of committee it wants itself to be. Commissioner Adler indicated that he would like to continue to have a recording secretary at this time and that they should be paid for their time. Commissioner Slaughter noted that one major aspect of the committee is that it is comprised of county residents. Commissioner Adler moved to approve the position description for the Short-Term Recording Secretary for the Granite County Forest Management Advisory Committee and that it be compensated. Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. Susie Browning commented with a question about other paid secretarial positions for committees. Elena Gagliano commented, as a member of the committee, that she does not approve of having a paid secretary. Susie Browning commented that there is a good resource on boards and committees through the Local Government Center at MSU Bozeman and she recommended that a formal resolution be adopted forming the committee. She feels that the committee is a good thing for the county. Attorney Bradshaw noted that he has the handbook for boards and committees from the Local Government Center at MSU, and he has provided such to all

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the county boards in the county. Clerk and Recorder Blanche McLure commented that the Short-Term Clerk for the Clerk and Recorder's office would be utilized to index county records which have been put on microfilm, but must be indexed. Commissioner Bonney moved for approval of the position description for the Short-Term Clerk for the Clerk and Recorder's Office. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried.

The wage on the county's pay matrix for each of the two short term positions in the paragraph above was discussed. The Board agreed that the wage for both positions be set at Grade 7, Entry Level. The action was taken on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Bonney. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Adler excused himself from the session at noon.

Commissioner Slaughter reported that he alone met yesterday at The Ranch at Rock Creek with general manager Jon Martin and Patrick Little, and with owner Jim Manley by speaker telephone. Jim Manley stated that he has retained the law firm of Peter Kirsch and Jay Banner, at his expense, to explore grant funding for Riddick Field Airport. Discussion was held with the attorneys by speaker telephone.

The Board reviewed draft meeting minutes for the April 3 and 10, 2018, regular sessions. The minutes were approved on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and second by Commissioner Slaughter. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board considered a policy on committee minutes for the Forest Management Advisory Committee. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. The Board agreed that it will await the decision of the committee on how minutes should be handled. Commissioner Bonney moved to have the Forest Management Advisory Committee come back to the Board with a recommendation on how minutes will be handled through a formal resolution. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. Elena Gagliano commented that she thinks it is a good idea to have the committee formalized through a formal resolution and the County Attorney concurred. The motion carried.

Public Comment: Elena Gagliano requested a response from the Board to her letter requesting an opinion from the Montana Attorney General regarding the release of draft Commission minutes. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw noted that he had requested an updated opinion on the subject several times, has not gotten a formal response and is not likely to get one. Elena Gagliano also suggested that the former Department of Revenue Office on the main floor of the courthouse be used as a meeting room.

During public comment, Karen Petersen with the Granite Conservation District met with the Board and requested that the Board sign the Application for an Administrative Operations Grant for the Granite Conservation District through the DNRC. In an administrative action, Chairperson Bill Slaughter signed the application.

Correspondence: None.

A proposed non-exclusive lease agreement between Granite County and Holy Family Church of Anaconda was discussed with retired District Judge Ed McLean. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Discussion was held that the FERC (Federal Energy Regulatory Committee) would like Granite County to stockpile some gravel and rip-rap at the dam site on county property in case of an emergency. Also, Granite County may erect a building to contain dam maintenance equipment. Judge McLean reviewed the history of the chapel dating to 1962 and his request for a 10-year lease for the noon Mass on Sunday's with any contingencies that Granite County may require. He would prefer a 10-year lease with an automatic renewal if there was no objection by either party. Chairperson Slaughter inquired about the property condition, and Judge McLean noted that some limited improvements that could be made on the county's property (i.e., potholes) at the dam. Commissioner Bonney moved to request that County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw draw up a lease agreement for 10 years with an automatic renewal provision, subject to the county's contingencies such as the stockpile of materials and installation of a building, and early termination of the lease if necessary for county business. Commissioner Slaughter seconded

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the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried. Judge McLean thanked the Board for its consideration.

The Board participated in the regular quarterly meeting of the Granite County Board of Health. Minutes of that meeting are kept separately.

The session adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

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Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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