

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET ON THE 2ND, 9TH, 16TH, 23RD & 30TH OF OCTOBER 2018 IN THEIR OFFICE AT THE GRANITE COUNTY COURTHOUSE WITH ALL THREE COMMISSIONERS PRESENT.

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

<u>WARRANT</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
54994 ELITE IRON	STFU SUPPRESSOR	\$640.00
54995 F & R LLC	FS CONTRACT	\$10,175.29
54996 MCDONALD EXCAVATION	FS CONTRACT	\$13,125.00
54997 PATRIOT EXCAVATION, LLC	FS CONTRACT	\$15,000.00
54998 F & R LLC	FS CONTRACT	\$13,818.37
54999 PATRIOT EXCAVATION, LLC	FS CONTRACT	\$5,475.00
55000 POSTMASTER	TAX BILL POSTAGE	\$1,542.00
55001 VISA #1	FLYERS, SURVEY, RAPIDFAX	\$75.35
55002 VISA #2	DATA PLAN & SUPPLIES	\$289.82
55003 VISA #3	VACUUM	\$169.00
55004 POSTMASTER	ABSENTEE BALLOT POSTAGE	\$450.00
55005 FLINT CREEK VALLEY BANK	PAYROLL & NOD FEE	\$96,092.19
55006 BATTLE RIDGE BUILDERS, LLC	FCP STILLING BASIN REPAIR	\$44,638.48
55007 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	CONTRACTOR'S TAX	\$450.89
55008 360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	\$5,412.62
55009 ALLIED WASTE SERVICES-4283	BALING WIRE	\$92.00
55010 AMERICAN WELDING & GAS	ACETYLENE	\$23.10
55011 ANACONDA LEADER	PRINTING	\$1,714.95
55012 ANNIE YOUNG	CONFERENCE	\$278.74
55013 AUTO ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY	RELAY	\$75.00
55014 BART BONNEY	TRAVEL	\$531.01
55015 BILL SLAUGHTER	TRAVEL	\$209.28
55016 BLACKFOOT CFT	SEPTEMBER BILLING	\$2,839.46
55017 BOB'S QUALITY AUTO	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$2,403.44
55018 BUTTE PRODUCE	DRMD SR CTZN SUPPLIES	\$1,192.19
55019 CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$267.69
55020 CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERV CORP	EXCAVATOR	\$1,144.07
55021 CENTURYLINK	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$415.80
55022 CENTURYLINK	FCP PHONE	\$58.04
55023 CLAUDETTE PARKE	POSTAGE	\$26.80
55024 COLETTE ADELE FADNESS	MILEAGE	\$138.98
55025 COMDATA	SEPTEMBER BILLING	\$4,733.47
55026 COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS, INC	SUPERVISION	\$75.00
55027 CONNIE SCHIEDERMAYER	TRAVEL	\$103.55
55028 CULLIGAN	SUPPLIES	\$10.00
55029 CUSTOM RECYCLERS	RECYCLE USED OIL	\$362.00
55030 DIS TECHNOLOGIES	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$1,610.00

55031 DOUG ANDRUS DISTRIBUTING INC	TREATED SALT	\$6,539.72
55032 DRUMMOND AMBULANCE ASSOC	SUPPLIES	\$52.58
55033 DRUMMOND COMMUNITY HALL	RENT	\$945.00
55034 ENERGY PARTNERS LLC	PROPANE	\$602.57
55035 FICKLER OIL CO. INC.	FUEL	\$1,501.20
55036 GALLE PLUMBING & HEATING	LEAK REPAIR	\$436.00
55037 GENERAL DISTRIBUTING CO.	CO2,HP,ACETYLENE	\$176.40
55038 GRANITE COUNTY TREASURER	POSTAGE	\$345.40
55039 GRANITE DISPOSAL	ROAD DUMPSTERS	\$330.00
55040 GRANITE PHARMACY	VACCINES	\$8,219.30
55041 GRANITE SPORTLAND	ANTIFREEZE	\$72.90
55042 GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	\$2,737.28
55043 HIGH TECH LINEN	RUGS	\$130.38
55044 HOGAN'S RANCH & BUILDERS	SUPPLIES	\$159.23
55045 HUFFMAN GROCERY	INMATE SUPPLIES	\$819.04
55046 HUFFMAN GROCERY	DRMD SR CTZN SUPPLIES	\$200.94
55047 HUFFMAN GROCERY	SUPPLIES	\$189.13
55048 HUNTS TIMBERS, INC	LUMBER	\$14,184.66
55049 JEFFRIES COURT REPORTING	PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	\$427.00
55050 JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	GREASEGUN/IMPACTKIT	\$519.98
55051 JOHNSTONE SUPPLY	RECOVERY KIT	\$1,733.82
55052 KAPLAN KIRSCH ROCKWELL	DISCUSS FEDERAL FUNDING	\$520.00
55053 MACO	INMATE BUDGET PROTECTOR	\$129.60
55054 MACO PCT	LIABILITY	\$235.00
55055 MACO WCT	WORK COMP AUDIT	\$408.00
55056 MAPS INC	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$2,588.46
55057 MATT POWERS	GRAVEL STORAGE	\$400.00
55058 MCGOWAN WATER COND, INC	SOFTENER & SALT	\$49.89
55059 MIDWEST LABORATORIES, INC	SUPPLIES	\$335.40
55060 MONIDA HEALTHCARE NETWORK	PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	\$186.23
55061 MONTANA BROOM & BRUSH	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	\$84.74
55062 MT CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES	UNIFORMS	\$373.00
55063 MONTANA TRUCK PARTS	REPAIRS	\$450.00
55064 MOUNTAIN INK & TONER	CARTRIDGE REFILL	\$98.64
55065 MSU EXTENSION SERVICE	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$2,275.00
55066 MT ASSOC CLERK & RECORDERS	FY19 DUES	\$500.00
55067 NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL	PINS & PRIZES	\$489.80
55068 NORCO, INC	HEADGEAR,VISORS,STRIKER,EARMUFF	\$143.15
55069 NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO	SCARIFER BIT	\$881.32
55070 NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS, INC.	VALVES	\$125,029.86
55071 NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	SEPTEMBER STATEMENTS	\$2,688.08
55072 NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS, INC	CHEMICAL SUPPLIES	\$101.40
55073 PACIFIC STEEL - MISSOULA	PLATE,FLAT,ANGLE	\$331.55
55074 PATRICIA BAUER	MILEAGE	\$188.57
55075 PFENDLER ELECTRIC	NEW RECEPTACLE	\$129.50
55076 PHILIPSBURG MAIL, THE	ADS	\$1,366.50
55077 PHILIPSBURG SR CITZ CENTER	INMATE MEALS	\$1,099.00
55078 PHILIPSBURG, TOWN OF	WATER/SEWER	\$443.00
55079 PINTLER PETROLEUM	FUEL & SUPPLIES	\$5,056.93
55080 POSTMASTER	STAMPS	\$91.00
55081 POSTMASTER	STAMPS & BOX RENTAL	\$358.00
55082 POWER SYSTEMS WEST	REPAIRS	\$9,397.89
55083 QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$684.15
55084 REPUBLIC SERVICES #889	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$8,209.10
55085 REPUBLIC SERVICES OF MONTANA	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$5,769.98
55086 ROTECH HEALTHCARE INC	OXYGEN	\$195.00
55087 SAFEGUARD QBS	TAX SUPPLIES	\$639.19
55088 SHI	MS OFFICE	\$495.14
55089 SIRCHIE	TESTS	\$84.36
55090 SOLE STONE REIMBURSEMENT SERV	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$392.40
55091 STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	SUPPLIES	\$390.95
55092 SWEET PEA SEWER & SEPTIC	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$450.00
55093 TERRY JO VIETOR	VICTIM'S ADVOCATE	\$402.66
55094 TIRE RAMA	TIRE CHANGE OVER	\$70.00
55095 TITAN MACHINERY	CHAIN & PIN	\$2,048.32
55096 TOWN OF PHILIPSBURG	REQUEST	\$130,558.00
55097 TRANSUNION RISK SOLUTIONS	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$152.30
55098 TRI-COUNTY SANITARIAN	SANITARIAN FY19 1ST QUARTER	\$12,485.48
55099 TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	IDOC WEB HOSTING	\$1,200.00
55100 US POSTAL SERVICE	ENVELOPES	\$581.75
55101 VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	\$820.82
55102 WESTTEL INTERNATIONAL, LLC	CONTRACTED SERVICE	\$1,300.00
55103 WILLOWROCK INC	SURVEY REVIEWS	\$575.00
55104 WOODLAND CREATIONS	SUPPLIES	\$78.11
	CLAIMS FUND TOTAL	\$589,993.33

<u>WARRANT/NOD</u>	<u>JOB TITLE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	
	ADLER, SCOTT C	COMMISSIONER	\$2,193.64
	ALT, PAUL	ROAD SUPERVISOR	\$5,955.83
	ANDERSON, MELINDA K	SOLID WASTE SECRETARY	\$975.57
	BAUER, PATRICIA L	AREA V	\$695.85
	BOHRNSEN, CAROL P	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	\$4,055.17
	BONNEY, BARTON C	COMMISSIONER	\$2,099.78
	BONNEY, JANEEN	CUSTODIAN	\$2,408.90
	BOUCK, LINDA	PLANNER	\$5,057.77
	BRADSHAW, BLAINE C	COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$8,107.05
	BUTLER, JODI L	SOLID WASTE	\$2,724.96
	CARTWRIGHT, VALERIE N	DISPATCH	\$2,800.16
	CAYKO, NICKIE N	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$2,940.80
	DAY, JAN P	DEPUTY CLERK	\$1,488.90
	DAY, NELS R	DES COORDINATOR	\$1,158.04
	DUNKERSON, WAYNE S	SHERIFF	\$4,548.84
	FADNESS, COLETTE A	AREA V AIDE	\$345.38
	FRATZKE, DEBBIE	JUSTICE OF THE PEACE	\$1,992.58
	GRAHAM, SARAH E	DEPUTY CLERK & RECORDER	\$3,376.96
	GROSVOLD, LACIE J	CLERK	\$1,082.59
19131	GROSVOLD, LACIE J	VACA/SICK PAYOUT	\$1,050.08
	HARDING, JEAN M	DISPATCHER	\$2,996.48
	HARDING, VICKI B	TREASURER	\$4,488.20
	HENNAGER, DEANNA L	DISPATCHER	\$2,362.53
	HOEHNE, JOHN W	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,379.20
	HOLLAND, BRAD J	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$2,940.80
	HULTMAN, TY R	DEPUTY	\$3,762.16
	JACOBSON, STEVEN	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,248.00
	KAHOE, MICHAEL	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	\$4,228.80
	KANE, KATHERINE	DISPATCHER	\$841.71
	KENDALL, JOHN S	SOLID WASTE	\$3,008.88
	KINGREY, ELWYN	JUNK VEHICLE	\$402.21
19130	LARDY, JAMES D	SITE RELIEF	\$459.08
	LATRAY, DANETTE L	TREASURER DEPUTY	\$3,376.96
	LOOBEY, THERESA R	TITLE CLERK	\$2,494.40
	MCDONNELL, FRED N	SOLID WASTE RELIEF	\$786.54
	MCLURE, BLANCHE A	CLERK & RECORDER	\$4,454.87
	MORRISON, RUSSELL F	WEED SPRAYER	\$2,222.40
	OLSEN, RICK C	DEPUTY	\$3,433.47
	OSTLER, JASON K	DEPUTY	\$3,399.81
	OWENS, NANCY	RELIEF	\$364.07
	PALMER, KAREN P	COUNTY AGENT SEC	\$2,284.80
	PARKE, CLAUDETTE	CO ATTORNEY SECRETARY	\$2,828.80
	PAWLAK, KIMBERLY	FLOATING CLERK	\$1,896.81
	PETERS, DEBORAH A	DISPATCHER RELIEF	\$1,345.64
	PETERS, STEVEN D	DEPUTY	\$3,465.15
	RUSSELL, JAMES R	DEPUTY	\$3,531.15
	SCHIEDERMAYER, CONNIE	COUNTY SCHOOL SPECIALIST	\$256.25
	SHEPARD, RAYLENE O	DISPATCHER	\$2,482.96
	SLAUGHTER, BILL L	COMMISSIONER	\$2,077.86
	SMITH, REBECCA	PHEP COORDINATOR	\$1,709.41
	SMITH, THADDEUS M	RELIEF DEPUTY	\$1,625.26
	SWANSON, DAVID C	WEED FOREMAN	\$2,494.40
	VIETOR, TERRY J	CRIME CONTROL ADVOCATE	\$1,179.20
	WALDEN, CODY C	WEED SPRAYER	\$555.60
	WALDEN, JAMES L	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$3,000.00
	WEST, WILLIAM H	DAM TENDER	\$539.70
	WILKINS, KENNETH D	ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$2,940.80
	WILKINSON, BARBARA A	JUSTICE CLERK	\$291.69
	YOUNG, ANN D	COUNTY HEALTH NURSE	\$4,061.20
	58 EMPLOYEES	TOTAL GROSS PAYROLL	\$146,276.10

<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
19130 JAMES LARDY	SEE "GROSS PAYROLL"
19131 LACIE GROSVOLD	SEE "GROSS PAYROLL"
19132 AFLAC INS	\$205.81
19133 CHRISTMAS CLUB	\$1,780.00
19134 COLONIAL	\$18.75
19135 FIT	\$8,841.19
19135 MEDICARE	\$4,085.58
19135 P.E.R.S.	\$17,770.83
19135 PERS RETIREE	\$624.46
19135 SHERIFF RETIRE	\$5,611.11
19135 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$17,469.44
19135 TRS	\$43.87
19135 UNEMPL. INSUR.	\$1,982.42

19136 IUOE 400	\$457.20
19137 MACO DENTAL	\$2,314.00
19137 MACO VISION	\$536.00
19137 MACOHCT	\$47,315.00
19137 UNUMLIFE	\$754.65
19138 PEBSC	\$4,475.00
19139 SIT	\$5,776.00
19140 UNION - PENSION	\$533.30
19141 WORKERS' COMP	\$18,143.21
TOTAL PAYROLL LIABILITIES	\$138,737.82

October 2, 2018

The Board of County Commissioners met at 8:30 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.

The Board attended the Granite County Safety Committee meeting. Minutes of that meeting are kept separately.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Paul Alt's weekly report was canceled.

The Board held the Mullan Trail Road Project bid opening. The only bid received was from Nelson Construction of Hall in the amount of \$21,912.00. It was opened and read aloud by Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended and noted that no bids were received from the original advertisements in the September 13 and 20, 2018, issues of the *Philipsburg Mail* newspaper, which allows the Commission to now negotiate a contract outside of public bidding requirements. Commissioner Slaughter moved to accept the proposal of Nelson Construction. Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried. Following further inspection of the bid, Commissioner Slaughter moved to withdraw his original motion to reject the proposal, due to the fact that the contractor did not provide a cost for all materials as required in the requisite notice, and that the contractor and other contractor's interested in the project, be allowed to submit a new proposal by next week. Commissioner Bonney seconded the new motion for the same reason as stated. The Board noted that no bids were received in a timely manner following the original advertisements, so the Board is now accepting proposals. The motion carried unanimously. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Commissioner Slaughter contacted Michael Nelson by telephone to request that he modify his proposal to include the specified fabric, which was omitted in the bid opened today, and Michael Nelson verbally agreed.

There were no updates on the current Road Project Agreement with the Forest Service.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.70 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The Board reviewed the Flint Creek Dam Advisory Committee's minutes dated August 18, 2018, and Dave Amman's DNRC report dated August 18, 2018. The lake is approximately 9.6 inches below full pool at an outflow of approximately 42 cfs through the power plant and 42.9 cfs over the weir. Commissioner Bonney moved to make no change in the outflow. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

Granite County Sheriff Scott Dunkerson met with the Board regarding burning permits. The Board agreed to open the burning season effective October 2, 2018, on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Bonney. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

Granite County Jail Roof Sealing Project: Commissioner Bonney moved to accept the proposal of Ace Roofing of Wilsall in the amount of \$12,216.85 and Commissioner Adler

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seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

Granite County Courthouse Roof Project, update on new proposals: County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw informed the Board that Ace Roofing's proposal did not include the cost of a performance bond, which is \$4,000.00. He noted that no bids were received from the original Notice to Bid and the Board can now accept proposals. Commissioner Bonney moved to include the \$4,000.00 for a performance bond in Ace Roofing's proposal and that Ace Roofing provide proof of the cost of a performance bond, and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board agreed to accept the counteroffer of the Granite County Solid Waste Unit, IUOE Local #400, to include the COLA and specified work hours for a three-year agreement ending June 30, 2021. The action was taken on the motion of Commissioner Adler and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. No counteroffer from the Road Unit, IUOE Local #400, has been received as of this date.

Black Pine Road alterations that were made without authorization in 2016 by DEQ in connection with reclamation work were discussed with DEQ (Montana Department of Environmental Quality) representatives Marc Weinreich (Trustee with the Montana Environmental Custodial Trust as the Trust owns the reclamation project land), Ben Quinones, Autumn Coleman and Jessica Wilkerson. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw also attended. Marc Weinreich explained that his job is to stimulate the best uses for specific properties under the trust program. Discussion was held on the Black Pine Road, a county road, which had been obliterated in parts (and barricaded in other parts) by DEQ's contractors without any type permission given by the county. Commissioner Slaughter was concerned about this potential loss of public asset. It was further noted that Granite County, in fact, provided prior written notice to DEQ that the Black Pine Road was a county road. However, a new road was built that runs parallel at times with the country road. The county commission demanded the public be granted a permanent, public access easement to the new road created by DEQ which is in a similar location to the existing Black Pine Road to permanently grant access to the public for activities such hunting, fishing, grazing and hiking without being gated so the people of the county do not lose that asset. One issue that the new road goes through Trust property as well as Forest Service property, so the Forest Service will need to be brought into the negotiations. Marc Weinreich stated he would be talking that afternoon with U.S. Forest Service's representatives and would bring up these issues. The U.S. Forest Service is wanting access across this new road on Trust property, so the Trust has bargaining leverage here to regarding obtaining permanent, public access easement Marc Weinreich also said that Trust attorneys need to help him understand the liability issues with making the new road, a public road. Autumn Coleman expressed concern that if people are in the area that the repository could potentially be damaged. She also noted that there is concern that people could be exposed to toxic soil and that fencing of the repositories is a possibility. Commissioner Slaughter indicated that it would likely be categorized as a non-maintained county road and potentially added to the annual Road Maintenance Agreement with the Forest Service. Autumn Coleman noted that the reclamation work is completed and parts of the reclaimed area can possibly be added to grazing allotments. Marc Weinreich noted that there is concern for public health related to reclaimed sites. Marc Weinreich stated he wanted to make things right here as far as the easement request is concerned. He encouraged the Commission to work with the state and other entities for awareness of the public health on reclaimed sites. Marc Weinreich stated he would work with U.S Forest Service to attempt a global agreement, including a permanent, public access easement, that would resolve everyone's concerns, and further stated he would be back in communication with the county soon.

Maria Stoppler, CEO/DON with Granite County Hospital District, met with the Board and presented the monthly financial update. The updated included project ash

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available of \$(4,700), projected deposits of \$225,100, accounts payable of \$125,000 with projected cash reserves of \$100,100 (8 days of operation); an administrator's report dated September 25, 2018, highlighting that the facility's dental clinic will close on October 31, 2018, to not be in competition with the local dental service; availability of telehealth crisis intervention; the CT scan project is awaiting shop drawings; the Healthy Granite County Network has had its first meeting; another community needs assessment will be done; there are eight participants in the Medical Training Program and openings for seven additional participants; and the Helmsley Charitable Trust grant application has been submitted to replace aging radiology equipment. Also, open houses are planned for Drummond and Philipsburg prior to the mill levy election in November. Maria Stoppler voiced her opinion on the petitioned withdrawal of the Lower Rock Creek area from the Granite County Hospital District and she indicated that she is opposed to it because she feels that all the people in the county should participate in the services provided in the county in which they own property; and also that it creates more of a burden on the taxpayers remaining in the district.

Ellen K. McKeon's district court litigation against Granite County, Montana DEQ, and Ungersma Revocable Living Trust regarding a septic system on Piney Point at Georgetown Lake was discussed and an update given by County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw. He noted that a temporary restraining order has been requested, but not issued, and he anticipates there will be a hearing on the matter. Also, he noted that Judge Ray Dayton has recused himself and Judge Luke Berger is handling the case. Attorney Bradshaw feels that it is a private, civil matter between the two parties, McKeon and Ungersma, and does not involve any wrongdoing by the county. Attorney Bradshaw's opinion here is the county was not negligent in this matter.

Vince Reece, Riddick Field Manager, met with the Board and gave a report. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. He presented copies of the minutes of the most recent airport board meeting and outlined current hangar lease violations. He noted that grants for Riddick Field were discussed and he presented evidence that Riddick Field is on the NPIAS ([National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems](#)) list, which is important to receive grant funds. He anticipates a letter from attorney Peter Kirsch stating that the airport is eligible to apply for state and federal grants for improving and possibly lengthening the existing runway to get the field up to FAA standards. An engineering firm must be selected to do the grant application work and Commissioner Slaughter noted that Great West Engineering is the county's on-call engineering firm. Blaine Bradshaw noted that if Great West Engineering is used that a Request for Qualifications is not necessary. Vince Reece discussed the possibility of putting in a designated helipad on airport property. He plans to meet with the Forest Service to discuss the helipad. Vince Reece presented a letter requesting that snow removal at the field be improved. The Board agreed to discuss the snow removal with Road and Bridge Superintendent Paul Alt on a future agenda and noted that it is possible that it could be contracted, once discussion is held. Liability issues were discussed with Blaine Bradshaw. Vince Reece noted that mowing of the grass at the Drummond Airport is not being done on a regular basis and he reminded the Board that Darcy Schindler is the assistant airport manager for the Drummond Airport. Henry Darr has resigned from the airport board and Vince Reece has a prospective new member. Vince Reece reported that two concrete pads are empty at Riddick Field for new hangar construction. He indicated that there are state codes for airport hangars and the hangar specifications are covered in state regulations and also in the lease document with local hangar owners. Blaine Bradshaw noted that per the lease agreement, any new construction must be approved by the airport board prior to construction. Discussion was held that hangar walls within 40 feet of another hangar must have a fire wall on the adjoining side. Vince Reece noted that FAA regulations do not allow for the long term storage of derelict aircraft. He reported that the two hangars used for storage have been cleaned out or will be cleaned out shortly. As public comment, Mark Hudgens indicated that he is not willing to build a new hangar until the runway is improved. He indicated that the airport is technically not in the NPIAS system due to many infractions at Riddick Field. Also, technically the airport may qualify for FAA funding but the FAA has raised the bar for qualifications. He suggested that the FAA come out to look

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at the airport and meet with the Commission and the airport board to get concrete information on the practicality of FAA funding. Vince Reece stated that the airport board represents the airport and he does not like such interference from others. Commissioner Slaughter noted that as chairman of the airport board, Vince Reece represents the county and everyone is trying to get to the same place. Vince Reece indicated that Mark Hudgens has flagrantly disregarded the airport regulations. Mark Hudgens stated that he met with the Board to request the Board act on hangar violations in a timely matter. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw stated that he feels that he, and the county in general, has been acting in a timely matter regarding airport hangars and lease violations, and the Commission agreed. Commissioner Slaughter requested that Vince Reece set a meeting soon with the FAA and attorney Peter Kirsch.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Correspondence: None.

The session adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

ATTEST: _____

Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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October 3, 2018

The Board met in special session at 6:30 p.m. in the Drummond Community Hall in Drummond to conduct the advertised hearing on the petition to withdraw certain area of Lower Rock Creek from the Granite County Hospital District with Chairperson Bill Slaughter and Commissioners Scott Adler and Barton Bonney attending. Other Granite County personnel attending were County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw, Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe, paralegal Claudette Parke and court reporter Melody Jeffries Peters of Missoula. The session convened with the pledge of allegiance. Those people signing the sign in sheet were Katie Quam, David Breitzman, Jim Hutcheson, Rick Montejano, Holly Jaspersen, Karen DesRosier, A. J. Michnevich, Charlene Rodgers, John Rodgers, John Barbara, Tom Mullen, Kathleen Bartlett, Henry Bartlett, Deb Peltier, Joseph P. Peltier, Jim Waldbillig, Pat Dent, Vivian Crouse, Karen Brooker, George Brooker, Scott C. Adler, Blaine C. Bradshaw, Tim Allen, Jerome Breindel, Karen Barber, Carolyn Persico, Claudette Parke, Cynthia Breindel, Elena Gagliano, James and Donna Brown, R. Motta, E. Gagliano, Jim Waldbillig, Lori Nelson, Cary L. McLure, Jana R. McGill, Susie Browning, Kristi Mainwaring, Jim Henderson, Merri Henderson, Susan Hale, Wayne Hale, Gail Leeper, Ray Powell, Charles R. Johnson and Michael V. Patton. An accurate, complete transcript of the hearing follows.

SEE "PUBLIC HEARING TRANSCRIPT 10-3-2018"

The session adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

ATTEST: _____

Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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October 9, 2018

The Board of County 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 Paul Alt met with the Board and gave his weekly report. Jodi Butler did not attend, but Paul Alt explained that out of county residents are dumping large amounts of solid waste which fills the dumpsters and cannot be anticipated. The Board agreed to research the current policy and to revise it to accept only household waste from outside the county.

Vince Reece met with the Board and discussed snow plowing at Riddick Field, which FAA guidelines require within 6 hours of a snow. The Board and Paul Alt suggested that the airport board hire an independent contractor to plow snow on the airport as school bus routes are the top priority for snow plowing. The Board agreed to provide assistance at the airport when an exceptionally heavy snow occurs. The action was taken on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Bonney. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Vince Reece also discussed an upcoming meeting with the FAA and MDOT (Montana Department of Transportation) to look at Riddick Field on October 11, 2018. The tentative schedule is that they will look at the field at 10:30 a.m. and Commissioner Slaughter will meet with them at 12:30 a.m.

Mullan Trail Road Project Cost Proposals: No formal bids were received in a timely manner so the county requested proposals and received two prior to this meeting time. Two cost proposals were received, one from Nelson Construction and the other from Little Bear Construction. The proposals were opened and read aloud by Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe; one bid from Michael Nelson Construction of Hall for all materials and labor for \$22,712.00 and one bid from Little Bear Construction of Clinton for all materials and labor for \$24,500.00. Commissioner Bonney moved to accept the lower cost proposal from of Nelson Construction (Michael Nelson) and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Current Road Project Agreement with Forest Service: Paul Alt reported that the project is complete as of September 30, 2018. Commissioner Bonney moved that 75% of the 10% overhead funds received on the contract be placed in the Road Fund and 25% of the overhead funds on the contract be placed in the General Fund. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Slaughter directed that a letter be placed in Paul Alt's personnel file for doing an excellent job related to the agreement.

Schedule sale of surplus county equipment: Paul Alt reviewed the list of items which will be advertised for public sale and the Board declared that all equipment and material on the list is surplus to the county's needs. The public auction will be scheduled as soon as it can be properly noticed by being advertised for two consecutive weeks in the local newspaper.

Gutters and downspouts for county jail were discussed by the Board. This project had been publicly noticed for bids, but with no bids being submitted. The Board will continue to look for a contractor to have the project done in the spring.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.68 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The Board reviewed Dave Amman's DNRC report dated October 3, 2018. The lake is approximately 9.84 inches below full pool at an outflow of approximately 42 cfs through the power plant and 42.9 cfs over the weir. Commissioner Bonney moved to make no change in the outflow. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

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Engineer Jonathan Weaver with Great West Engineering of Helena, Paul Tallon and engineer Ben Singer with Flint Creek Hydro, and County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw met with the Board regarding the Flint Creek Dam – Stilling Basin Repair Project for the following:

Claim for contractor's Application for Payment No. 1 to Battle Ridge Builders LLC for Flint Creek Dam – Stilling Basin Repairs in the amount of \$44,638.48. Engineer Jonathan Weaver estimated that the project is 50% complete. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve the claim for Application for Payment No. 1, less the contractor's 1% tax, and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Claim for 1% Contractor's Tax to the Montana Department of Revenue on Application for Payment No. 1 for Battle Ridge Builders LLC for Flint Creek Dam – Stilling Basin Repairs in the amount of \$450.89. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve the claim for the 1% contractor's tax on Pay Application No. 1 and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the submittal for contractor's valve installation plan and proposed change in contract price. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve proposed Change Order No. 1 – Replace safety platforms in valve chamber in the amount of \$7,500.00. Engineer Jonathan Weaver stated that during the valve replacements is an opportune time to replace the safety platforms. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Adler noted that the engineering firm should have been cognizant of these items when the specifications were drawn up.

The Board considered proposed Change Order No. 2 – Install temporary siphon to maintain flow in Flint Creek while both intake lines are plugged in the amount of \$8,800.00. Discussion was held that the contractor should have been aware of the situation and should have inspected the site prior to submitting a bid. Jonathan Weaver stated that the contractor had not inspected the site prior to the bid. Commissioner Bonney moved not to accept proposed Change Order No. 2 since the vault is now dryer than it had been previously and that the county is not interested in purchasing the siphon following the project. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. Engineer Jonathan Weaver commented that the project was designed to be under the \$80,000.00 bid threshold. Discussion was held with County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw, who stated that the reason for this proposed change order was foreseeable and it was specifically noted in the project specifications. The Board agreed. The motion carried unanimously. The Board agreed that the contractor can use any option that is agreed upon to maintain flow in Flint Creek during the valve replacements. Engineer Ben Singer suggested that the contractor practice on the left outlet before undertaking work on the right outlet.

The Board held the first reading of Resolution 2018-15 “A Granite County Resolution Ordering The Abandonment And Discontinuance Of Portions Of First Avenue South, Division Avenue, and Oak Street With All Said Streets Being County Roads Located In The Platted, Unincorporated Maxville Townsite.” County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw and Tom Rue attended. Attorney Bradshaw presented a draft Permanent Utility And Access Easement, which will be filed with the Clerk and Recorder's Office when completed, for the Board's review. The Board agreed that Paul Alt will be required to provide the map to be attached to the Easement document. Tom Rue, as a planning Board member, reported that Paul Alt did not attend the scheduled planning board meeting of which he was notified, and Tom Rue noted that it was unusual that the matter was sent twice to the planning board for a recommendation. A. J. Michnevich commented by telephone that the planning board reviewed the matter twice and that Paul Alt did not keep his appointment to meet with the planning Board and that the planning board reviewed each matter individually and made its recommendation. He noted that there was a lot of public comment at the planning board

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meetings regarding the Maxville street abandonment and he indicated that he was good with the compromise reached. There was no further public comment.

The Board considered the renewal of the lease with Marah Connole, licensed counselor, for space at the county public health building in Drummond until February 28, 2019. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw presented the draft lease and noted that it was agreeable with Public Health Nurse Annie Young. Commissioner Adler moved to approve the lease and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board considered the collective bargaining agreement with the Granite County Solid Waste Unit of IUOE Local #400. Commissioner Adler and County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw reported that the unit has accepted the county's counteroffer of a three-year agreement with the same base wage, the same COLA as other employees receive and hours of operation to remain the same as the previous agreement. Commissioner Adler moved to approve the offer and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. Attorney Bradshaw will draft the collective bargaining agreement. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Adler gave a report on Granite County Road Unit, IUOE Local #400, union negotiations. The county's counteroffer was revised to a one-time increase of 75 cents per hour per employee plus the same COLA as other county employees, if given, for a three year agreement. The Board will await the union's response.

Commissioner Bonney excused himself from the session at noon. He had previously informed the Board that he will be absent from the state until October 18, 2018.

Drummond Mayor Gail Leeper and Engineer Brad Koon with Triple Tree Engineering of Helena met with the Board with a revised request for PILT funds for the repair of the fire protection tower project. Mayor Leeper presented a letter dated September 26, 2018, revising the town's request to \$110,000.00. Engineer Koon noted that the tank coating item listed in the request is a firm bid of \$71,919.00 and that the other items are calculated engineering estimates. Commissioner Adler moved that the request be approved by a Resolution of the Board. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Slaughter noted that Commissioner Bonney had given a verbal proxy in favor of the motion. Informal discussion was held on a potential road near the fire protection tower.

Rick Day, DES/Safety Coordinator, met with the Board regarding the Homeland Security grant offer for an emergency generator for Drummond School in the amount of \$51,064.00. Commissioner Adler moved to accept the grant offer and Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Rick Day noted that a formal Environmental Screening, including historic significance, will be completed prior to the installation of the generator. He also reported that the generator will not generate enough power for the entire school, only enough for the gymnasium in the event it would need to be used as an emergency shelter.

Public Comment: None.

Correspondence: None.

The session adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

ATTEST: _____

Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

October 16, 2018

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

Road and Bridge Superintendent Paul Alt met with the Board and gave his weekly report. He reported on a washout on Henderson Creek Road, above where maintenance stops, which will be repaired on a one-time basis. The Walberg Bridge repair will be started next week and the Mullan Trail Road Project will be started this week. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended and advised on the purchase of used snow plow trucks and when competitive bidding is required. He noted that one exception to the public bidding requirements is equipment found necessary for snow removal pursuant to MCA 7-5-2304 and another such exception is when the dealer is part of a government purchasing cooperative and the purchase could be made at substantial savings to the county.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.62 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The lake is approximately 10.56 inches below full pool at an outflow of approximately 42.9 cfs through the power plant and 42.9 cfs over the weir. Commissioner Adler moved to make no change in the outflow. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

The Board reviewed draft minutes for August 21 through 31, 2018, and for September 2018. The minutes were approved on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Slaughter. There was no public comment. The motion carried.

Commissioner Slaughter reported on a meeting held last week with two members of the Granite County Airport Board, FAA and Montana Aeronautics representatives regarding funding for the improvement of the runway at Riddick Field in Philipsburg. Sam Donahue attended. Commissioner Slaughter reported that the airport is eligible for federal and state funding; the federal funding requires a 10% match; also, federal funds would be easier to obtain if 10 aircraft are based at the airport. The group had made an onsite visit to the airport. The FAA suggested that a basic application be made for runway renovations, at the existing length and width, which must be submitted by November. A consultant selection would be made later and fees negotiated at that time. The consultant would then do a technical grant application for airport improvements with construction possible by 2020. Also, airport board chair Vince Reece was invited to attend an airport manager's meeting in Helena at the end of October. Sam Donahue noted that if a grant is accepted that there are hangar regulations and that it would be a good idea to have pilots sign in when they use the airport to determine the amount of use the airport receives. Fire codes were also discussed. Commissioner Slaughter said that he was encouraged by the meeting and he indicated that the Board is supportive of improving the airport.

The Board reviewed county claims for September 2018. The claims were approved on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Slaughter. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the applications received for vacancies on various county boards and committees. The following appointments were made, with the terms as stated, on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Slaughter:

Tom Rue, to the Granite County Planning Board, term ending October 2, 2020

A. J. Michnevich, to the Granite County Planning Board, term ending October 2, 2020

Tom Rue, to the Granite County Tax Appeal Board, term ending October 2, 2021

Vicki Weaver, to the Granite County Weed Board, term ending October 2, 2021

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Sam Dennis, to the Flint Creek Fire Service Area Board, term ending October 2, 2021

DuWayne Ulrich, to the Granite County DUI Task Force, term ending October 2, 2021

There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. The Board sent letters of appreciation to Shelley Johnson, who had served on the Drummond School and Community Library Board, and to Henry Darr, who has served on the Granite County Airport Board. The Board agreed to send reminders to those people whose terms had expired, but who had not reapplied. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

The Board held the second reading of Resolution 2018-15 “A Granite County Resolution Ordering The Abandonment And Discontinuance Of Portions Of First Avenue South, Division Avenue, and Oak Street With All Said Streets Being County Roads Located In The Platted, Unincorporated Maxville Townsite.” County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw and Planning Director Linda Bouck attended. Attorney Bradshaw noted that it is Paul Alt’s responsibility to get the attachment for the easement document. He recommended that action could be taken on the Resolution today, but that the Resolution should not be signed until the forty-foot easement document by Paul Alt is recorded with the Granite County Clerk and Recorder. Commissioner Adler moved to adopt the Resolution, but not sign it pending the recording of the easement document. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. During discussion, Wayne Hale commented and questioned whether the Resolution allows unlimited development. Commissioner Slaughter responded that a compromise to a 40-foot easement was made from the planning board’s recommendation and he noted that it will retain its original development ability while following state regulations. Wayne Hale questioned whether there was cronyism going on between the Commission and Paul Alt. Commissioner Slaughter stated that there was not. Wayne Hale indicated that there is a relationship with Paul Alt, as he is a county employee. Commissioner Slaughter responded that no other parcels in Maxville have development restrictions placed on them when past petitions were filed requesting abandonment of streets in Maxville, and he feels that there should not be undue restrictions on Paul Alt’s property either. Commissioner Slaughter also stated he treats everyone involved in such matters in the same way, whether a county employee or not. Attorney Bradshaw indicated that he does not see that a compromise in this case is a conflict, and he sees no ethical violations here. Wayne Hale indicated that he respects the use of discretion and fairness at the county government level. Further discussion was held related to an earlier hearing where comments were made regarding wells and septic systems, which are covered under state regulation. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board held the first reading of Resolution 2018-22 “A Granite County Resolution Authorizing The Transfer Of PILT Funds To The Town of Drummond For Emergency Needs.” County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw noted that language was added related to the letter of request received from the Town of Drummond. Commissioner Slaughter noted that the funds are not expected to be repaid. Wayne Hale inquired whether there is a requirement that the town report on the expenditures. Attorney Bradshaw noted that the Resolution requires the town not to exceed the scope of their written request. Commissioner Slaughter stated that the Town of Drummond and the Town of Philipsburg could be requested at a later date to make a report on the expenditures of the PILT funds received from the county for emergency purposes. There was no further comment.

The Board reviewed the revised position description for Home Health Aide as written by Public Health Nurse Annie Young. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Commissioner Adler moved to approve the position description. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board considered the Professional Services Agreement with Ace Roofing in the amount of \$131,245.00 for the Courthouse Re-Roof Project. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended and noted that patching will be done this fall and the complete project done next construction season. Commissioner Slaughter moved to accept the agreement and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was discussion on whether a project manager should be hired for this project. Wayne Hale commented that a person could be

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hired, following a Request for Qualification, to see that the provisions of the agreement are followed. The motion carried unanimously. On another subject, Commissioner Adler inquired about the status of the work done on the Bert Weaver Road (County Road) and Commissioner Slaughter noted that it has been bladed and ditched by Bob Weaver and a bill from Bob Weaver is expected soon, which will be divided between the parties responsible for the unacceptable work on the road.

Engineer Jeremiah Theys with Great West Engineering of Helena and County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw met with the Board to present change orders for the Flint Creek Dam Rehabilitation Projects as follow:

Revised Change Order No. 1, Flint Creek Dam Rehabilitation – Valve Replacement Project. Jeremiah Theys reviewed that the change order involves new safety platforms in the valve chamber and the \$1,000.00 addition is for steel bar steps to be added on the side with the openings of the valve chamber. Commissioner Adler moved to approve Revised Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$8,500.00 and Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Change Order No. 1, Flint Creek Dam Rehabilitation – Stilling Basin Repairs. Jeremiah Theys reviewed that the concrete slab under the existing gabions was not as depicted on the as-built drawings and an unanticipated void was exposed when existing gabions were removed. He recommended that the void be filled with grout. Commissioner Adler moved to approve the change order in the amount of \$1,900.00. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Jeremiah Theys noted that the FERC (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission) will be notified of the change and it will be noted on the as-built drawings when the project is completed.

Jeremiah Theys gave a general update on the dam rehabilitation project. He reported that the contractor, Battle Ridge Builders LLC, plans to mobilize to replace the valves and wrap up the entire project, including the stilling basin repairs, by the first week in November.

Commissioner Adler gave a report on Road Unit, IUOE Local #400, union negotiations. The union has rejected the county's counteroffer of 75 cents per hour for the first year plus the cost of living adjustment (COLA), COLA only for the second year of the agreement, and COLA only for the third year in this proposed three-year agreement. The county will wait for the union's counteroffer. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

The Board reviewed the transcript of the public hearing held on October 3, 2018, at the Drummond Community Hall regarding the petition to withdraw certain area of Lower Rock Creek from the Granite County Hospital District. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. The Board agreed that the transcript is accurate on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Slaughter. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

As an administrative matter, the Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Program (BaRSAA)/HB 473 Fuel Tax Allocation of \$20,975.33 was discussed by the Board. The program, which can be used for roads and bridges only, requires a 5% local match. The Board agreed to request distribution of the funds for the Mullan Trail Road Project through a Resolution which will be scheduled on the Board's agenda.

As an administrative matter, Commissioner Slaughter moved that because Tuesday, November 6, 2018, General Election Day, is a state holiday, that the Board hold a regular session on November 7, 2018. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Correspondence: None.

The session adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

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Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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October 23, 2018

The Board of County 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. Member of the public, Wayne Hale, attended the morning session.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Paul Alt met with the Board and gave his weekly report. He reported on the used Volvo snow plow truck, the base truck without the plow attachment, which was purchased from Rush Truck Centers in Boise, Idaho, for about \$49,500.00. The county plans to buy a second snow plow truck (total of two would be over \$80,000), but competitive public bidding was not required under MCA Section 7-5-2304 as it was a purchase of snow removal equipment; and another exemption to public bidding requirement applies as it was purchased at substantial savings through the selling company who is participating in a government purchasing cooperative called Sourcewell (formerly National Joint Powers Alliance), a public entity. Commissioner Bonney moved that Paul Alt be allowed to purchase an additional used snow plow truck for up to \$50,000.00. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Bonney requested that Paul Alt respond to a message from Paul Hunter, who is requesting work on a non-maintained county road. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.58 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The lake is approximately 11.04 inches below full pool at an outflow of approximately 42.9 cfs through the power plant and 42.9 cfs over the weir. Commissioner Bonney moved to keep the outflow at 42.9 cfs and then reduce the outflow to approximately 6 or 7 cfs for the valve replacement project at the Flint Creek Dam until November 10, 2018. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended and reported that all the proper agencies have been notified and have agreed in writing to this proposed temporary reduction in outflow. Commissioner Bonney noted that he plans to attend an on-site meeting on Thursday with the project engineer and contractor regarding the valve replacements at the dam.

Treasurer Vicki Harding met with the Board and presented financial reports for August and September 2018. The August report included a cash analysis, STIP investments of \$8,646,182.50, CD investments of \$529,775.45, a checking account register and pledged securities in the amount of \$440,000.00 held at Granite Mountain Bank. The September report included a cash analysis, STIP investments of \$7,885,707.71, CD investments of \$529,775.45, and a checking account register. She noted that tax notices will be mailed on Thursday. Discussion was held regarding the solid waste scale computer program operation and scale maintenance. The Board requested that Treasurer Harding investigate the matter. County Attorney, Blaine Bradshaw attended. Wayne Hale commented and suggested that all parties get on a conference call at the same time for real time discussion to correct the problems.

County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw met with the Board regarding the proposed mediation in the Granite County v. Rising Sun Case, district court in Granite County, set for November 26, 2018. He noted that the hydrant for fire protection was never repaired and Jack McLeod has filed a counterclaim, which Attorney Bradshaw, on behalf of the county,

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has filed a motion to dismiss the counterclaim with supporting brief. The Court has not yet ruled on the county's motion to dismiss. Attorney William Wagner of Missoula, Montana will be the mediator, as agreed by the parties. Attorney Bradshaw noted that the costs of the mediation will be divided equally between the two parties. He also noted that an expert could be hired, but it was agreed by the Board that the testimony of Fred Bjorklund and Kurt Unger, both with the Georgetown Lake Volunteer Fire Department, should be sufficient and that retaining an expert to testify would not be needed. Commissioner Bonney moved to proceed with the court ordered mediation, and to pay all costs associated and the responsibility of the county, in the Granite County v. Rising Sun case. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried.

Commissioner Adler reported on the IUOE, Local #400, Granite County Road Unit's counteroffer. The Road Unit offered seventy-five cents per hour plus COLA for one year of a proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement. The Road Unit is not interested in a multi-year contract without raises in addition to the COLA. Commissioner Bonney moved to allow Commissioner Adler to counteroffer for a three year agreement which includes a 75 cents per hour raise this year retroactive to July 1, 2018 (as incentive to get union to accept instead of making raise effective November 1, 2018), plus this year's COLA retroactive to July 1, 2018, and COLA only for years two and three of the agreement. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. Wayne Hale, from the public, suggested that a sign-up bonus could be offered provided that the counteroffer is agreed to immediately. There was no other public comment. Commissioner Adler stated that he is not in favor of the motion. Commissioners Slaughter and Bonney voted in favor of the motion and Commissioner Adler opposed the motion. The motion carried.

The Board held the second reading of Resolution 2018-22 "A Granite County Resolution Authorizing The Transfer Of PILT Funds To The Town Of Drummond For Emergency Needs." The amount requested and approved in the Resolution was the amount of \$110,000 from PILT funds of the County to the Town of Drummond. Commissioner Bonney moved to adopt Resolution 2018-22 and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. Commissioner Adler expressed disappointment that no one from the Town of Drummond was present today. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Slaughter requested that the Town of Drummond submit an invoice for the funds.

The Board held the first reading of Resolution 2018-23 "A Granite County Resolution Authorizing An Increase To The County's Homeland Security Fund Budget And Fund Expenditures For The Current 2019 Fiscal Year." There was no public comment.

The Board held the first reading of Resolution 2018-24 "A Granite County Resolution Requesting Distribution Of Local Government Road Construction And Maintenance Match Program Funds." There was no public comment.

The Board considered the renewal of the Inmate Excess Medical Insurance Program through the Montana Association of Counties with Correctional Risk Services, Inc., for the 2018-2019 year, which runs from November 1, 2018 to October 31, 2019. The Board contacted Sheriff Scott Dunkerson, and he stated that he fully endorses the program and he recommends that it should be renewed. Commissioner Bonney moved to renew the Excess Medical Insurance Program and noted that the rates are the same as last year. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no further discussion or public comment. The motion carried unanimously and Commissioner Slaughter signed the renewal agreement.

In an administrative action, the Board agreed to write another letter to Jason Wingo of TEC, The Electrical Connections, that he must finish the ceiling tile work related to the Courthouse Lighting Project before a claim for work done on the Philipsburg Ambulance garage is considered.

Connie Ternes-Daniels with Action Inc. (formerly Human Resources Development Council, District XII) met with the Board to provide an update and report on activities. She reviewed the emergency housing services, energy assistance services, nutrition services and

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youth services, and highlighted those services provided in Granite County. She noted that Executive Assistant Mike Kahoe has been on the board of Action Inc. for many years and his service is very much appreciated.

The Board considered the proposed Letter of Understanding with Matt Powers of the Rock Creek Lodge for storage of 2,000 cubic yards of sand from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019. The Letter of Understanding was approved on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Bonney. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None.

Correspondence: None.

Public Health Nurse Annie Young did not meet with the Board at the scheduled time regarding WIC (Women, Infants and Children) services in Granite County and a grant application to the Montana Healthcare Foundation for Mental and Behavioral Health. Annie Young was provided notice of this said meeting time and the agenda item on October 10, 2018. However, she did cover those subjects at the Board of Health meeting later in the afternoon.

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

The session adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

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Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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October 30, 2018

The Board of County 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 and a moment of silence in honor of the recent mass killings in Pittsburgh.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Paul Alt met with the Board and gave his weekly report. He reported that the Mullan Road Repair Project is complete and the Walberg Bridge new deck is nearly complete, except for the guardrail. At the request of the Drummond Kiwanis Club, Commissioner Bonney moved to donate a used roller (Ingersoll-Rand, dual drum roller, Model DA-30, Serial #5098-5) of no real value, and which the county has not used in many years, to the Drummond Kiwanis Club for use on its trail project and Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. A bill of sale will be used and express the sale was effectuated for consideration of \$1, and that nominal amount is considered as paid in full. The motion carried unanimously.

Solid Waste Issues: Paul Alt plans to install sideboards at the solid waste scale in Drummond in order to determine whether wind is affecting the operation of the scale.

Snow Plow Truck Purchase: Paul Alt reported that a new 2019 International truck Model HV607 is approximately \$142,000.00 from Woodpecker Truck Sales in Pendleton, Oregon, which does not include a plow, and can be financed for three years with \$50,000.00 down. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Commissioner Adler moved to purchase a new 2019 International Model HV607 Truck with a down payment of \$50,000.00 and annual payments over two additional years. Commissioner Bonney seconded the

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motion. Attorney Bradshaw noted that the truck is the second truck purchased here this month (with total of the two trucks being over \$80,000), but this purchase does not need to go through the competitive public bidding process since the truck was purchased at substantial savings from a dealer who is a part of a governmental cooperative purchasing cooperative (Sourcewell, a public entity) and also that the truck is for snow removal as exempted by MCA Section 7-5-2304. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Georgetown Lake level was reported at 6,428.52 feet, according to the USGS gage and the dam tender's report. The lake is approximately 10.56 inches below full pool with no water through the power plant and 17.7 cfs over the weir. These numbers reflect conditions at 2:40 p.m. on October 30, 2018. Commissioner Bonney moved to have the contractor, Battle Ridge Builders, release at least 10 cfs into the creek and monitor the outflow in the creek and keep it at least 10 cfs as he can during the Flint Creek Dam Valve Replacement Project until the planned completion date of November 10, 2018. Commissioner Adler seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

The Board noted the receipt of a written resignation from Public Health Nurse Annie Young effective November 9, 2018. The Board accepted the resignation on the motion of Commissioner Adler and second by Commissioner Bonney. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. The Board notified her by letter that her resignation was accepted.

The grant application to the Montana Healthcare Foundation for mental and behavioral health in the amount of \$99,200.00 was reviewed and discussed. The Board noted that there is a \$20,000.00 matching funds requirement. The Board agreed to go ahead with the application process on the motion of Commissioner Bonney and second by Commissioner Slaughter. Commissioner Adler commented that there are many unanswered questions at this time about the county's obligations. There was no public comment. Board discussion noted that if the grant application is successful there will be an opportunity to decide whether or not to accept the grant. The motion carried with Commissioners Slaughter and Bonney voting in favor of the motion and Commissioner Adler opposing the motion. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended.

The Board considered the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Granite County Road Unit of the IUOE Local #400. Commissioner Adler moved to accept the agreement and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board held the second reading of Resolution 2018-23 "A Granite County Resolution Authorizing An Increase To The County's Homeland Security Fund Budget And Fund Expenditures For The Current 2019 Fiscal Year." Commissioner Adler moved to adopt Resolution 2018-23 and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board held the second reading of Resolution 2018-24 "A Granite County Resolution Requesting Distribution Of Local Government Road Construction And Maintenance Match Program Funds." The project is for reconstruction on approximately 660 feet on the Mullan Road. Commissioner Adler moved to adopt Resolution 2018-24 and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Cahill met with the Board regarding the Interlocal Library Agreement for the Philipsburg Library Board. County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw attended. Barbara Cahill noted that by-laws have been adopted. Attorney Bradshaw advised that the Board have the final decision on the proposed Interlocal Library Agreement on an upcoming agenda of the Board.

Commissioner Adler excused himself from the session at noon.

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The Board considered an annual gift for all county employees. Tanya Dahl met with the Board and displayed gift boxes as a potential gift option for county employees. Commissioner Slaughter moved to gift a locally purchased spiral cut ham, purchased from Huffman Grocery, to each county employee and Commissioner Bonney seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Adler had verbally expressed his vote in favor of the motion prior to his departure today.

The Board reviewed draft minutes for September 25 and October 2 through 16, 2018. Commissioner Bonney moved to approve the revised September 25, 2018, and the October 2 and 16, 2018, minutes. Commissioner Slaughter seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Bill Antonioli met with the Board and presented a copy of a letter to the editor of the Philipsburg Mail newspaper stating his objection to I-186 which is on the ballot for the November 6, 2018 General Election. He indicated that he feels the initiative is bad for current and future mining in Montana. The Board noted that it had adopted Resolution 2018-12 this past summer strongly opposing I-186, and this position has not changed.

Correspondence: None.

The session adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairperson

ATTEST: _____

Blanche McLure, Clerk & Recorder

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