

Commission Meeting Minutes; Park County, Montana
Week of May 19 – 23, 2008

May 19, 2008

County Road Updates

@9:00:19 a.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss county road updates.

Lahren recessed the meeting until time Commissioner Durgan was present. @11:08:51 a.m., Lahren reopened meeting.

Commissioner Durgan reported he received a telephone call from a citizen that morning regarding the proposed Six Mile Bridge repair project. Durgan reported a woman was on the bridge protesting the bridge's closure and the fact no provisions for alternative route of travel would be established. Durgan said he had a discussion with Dann Babcox of PCRFD #1 and local fire chief Mike Graham. Durgan reported those individuals said it was not advisable to work on the bridge until an alternative route was provided. Graham was not available to sign off on an emergency ford through the creek. Durgan reported County Attorney Linneweber advised not closing the bridge until an alternate route for citizen travel is established prior to bridge work and closure. Durgan noted water clearance under the bridge is currently 8 to 10 inches. Durgan said a decision was made to postpone work on the bridge until MT DEQ and MT Fish and Game is consulted.

Lahren reported Mike Graham submitted a letter to the Commission saying Graham was not advised of proposed bridge closure and work. Graham said Hillman should not have said fire and emergency vehicles could ford the creek in the event of an emergency. Graham's letter said state law likely requires an alternate route be established if the bridge is closed since permanent residents live up Six Mile Road.

There was discussion about using Mule Deer Haven Road as an alternative route. Lahren said road improvements may need to be made to Mule Deer Haven Road if it's used as an alternative route.

Hillman said he informed dispatch last Friday of the proposed bridge closure and assumed dispatch would notify proper emergency services. He said he is getting quotes for bridge stringers. Hillman said Fish and Game does not want a squash culvert under the bridge if the county chooses to install a culvert. The county would have to use a bottomless culvert the full width of the creek. Hillman said the bridge has signage prohibiting trucks on the bridge. The bridge remains open to light traffic. He said a fire truck could not cross the bridge currently.

There was discussion about funds to pay for a culvert. Hillman said he will call Roscoe Steel to get a price quote on a 30 x 15 x 6 feet bottomless culvert and get specs on the stringers.

Lahren told Hillman Lahren will take the lead on Six Mile Bridge repairs. The Commission decided the 8 Ton load limit signs on the bridge will remain.

Hillman reported the road crew is clearing debris from Eight Mile Road and 9th Street Island Bridge.

Durgan said the Commission needs an updated road crew schedule with Scott's assignments and a weekly update of progress on roads.

Lahren said citizens complained about the Z Hill and Big Creek Road. The Commission said it has heard comments in the community that the county could have completed Old Yellowstone Trail South road widening work for half the amount of what the contractor charged. Lahren noted the county and contractor quotes were for two different scopes of work.

The Commission questioned why work on Swingley Road was not completed last week when the grader was there. Hillman said that grader was serviced at the shop by the road crew at some point last week. Hillman said he would send Wynn to the Five Acre Tracts and to Strong Lane.

@11:47:16 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 19, 2008

Consider Approving Commission Minutes for the Week of May 12, 2008 - Recessed

May 19, 2008

10:00 – 11:30 A.M. – Review correspondence, public contacts, and determine action plan – Commissioner's Chambers - Canceled

May 19, 2008

Sanitarian Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

@1:07:19 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was Randy Taylor, health department; Doris Morgan, health department; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a proposed FY'09 budget for the sanitarian's office.

Randy Taylor said the sanitarian office is overwhelmed with required inspections for tourist homes and septic systems. Taylor said the department is currently one person short and will be two people short if he gets a Commissioner position. He said 2 3/4 time people can manage the current workload.

Doris Morgan said a science degree is required to be a registered sanitarian. The department is proposing bringing someone on now to train. She said the workload has become more than the current staff can manage. All 400 required inspections in the county are not being completed. She said 40 new inspections are coming up.

Taylor said the sanitarian office is considering buying a new vehicle and money for that vehicle is included in the budget from PILT funds. Taylor will approach the county attorney to discuss whether charging a fee for processing of family transfers is appropriate. He will also check with Suzanne Brown about possible funds she may be able to provide his department.

@1:40:13 p.m., Durgan adjourned the meeting.

May 19, 2008

Justice of the Peace Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

@1:41:05 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was Linda Budeski, justice court; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a Justice of the Peace proposed FY '09 budget.

Linda Budeski presented a justice court Fiscal Year 2009 proposed budget. The proposed budget includes a 2.8% Cost of Living Adjustment. Budeski is requesting funds to purchase a recording system for the courtroom to enable presiding over small claims matters.

@2:02:36 p.m., Durgan closed the meeting.

May 19, 2008

Geographical Information Systems/Information Technology Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

@2:05:42 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was Marc Richard, GIS/IT; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a GIS/IT department proposed FY '09 budget.

Marc Richards presented a GIS/IT Fiscal Year 2009 proposed budget. He noted personnel funds in the IT budget increased because Erica Hoffman is now paid solely with that budget. He noted 69% of the GIS budget is funded by revenues. The proposed budgets include a 2.8% Cost of Living Adjustment. No additional wage increases were included in the budget.

@2:48:39 p.m., Durgan closed the meeting.

May 19, 2008

Clerk of District Court Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

@2:57:34 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was June Little, clerk of court; Nacoma Barton, deputy clerk of court; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a Clerk of District Court proposed FY '09 budget.

June Little presented a Clerk of District Court Fiscal Year 2009 proposed budget. The budget includes a salary increase for deputies and a 2.8% Cost of Living Adjustment.

@3:26:34 p.m., Durgan adjourned the meeting.

May 19, 2008

Fair Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

@3:28:00 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was Kim Knutson, fair manager; Ed Flatt, public citizen; Dan Nelson, public citizen; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a Fair FY '09 proposed budget.

Kim Knutson presented a Fair Fiscal Year 2009 proposed budget. The proposed budget includes a 2.8% Cost of Living Adjustment for fair manager Knutson.

@3:53:16 p.m., Durgan closed the meeting.

May 19, 2008

Health, Maternal Child Health, Well Child Clinic, Tuberculosis, Immunization, Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Homemaker Fiscal Year 2009 Budgets

@4:02:26 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was Suzanne Brown, health department; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a Health Department proposed FY '09 budget.

Suzanne Brown presented a FY 2009 proposed budget for Health Department programs. That budget was reviewed by Durgan.

@4:41:36 p.m., Durgan closed the meeting.

May 20, 2008

Consider an Emergency Services Communications Interlocal Agreement

@8:45:12 a.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to consider an emergency services communications interlocal agreement.

The three-year interlocal agreement is between Park County and the City of Livingston to fund a City-County Emergency Services Communication Center.

Durgan made a motion to accept the agreement. Lahren seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@8:52:52 a.m., Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 20, 2008

Personnel Issue

@9:03:23 a.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Bernadette Rambow, accounting; Polly Miller, human resources; Brett Linneweber, county attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to address a personnel issue.

Bernadette Rambow requested the meeting be closed during discussion of personnel issues.

@9:03:31 a.m., Lahren made a motion to close the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was closed.

@10:00:22 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

May 20, 2008
Personnel Issue

@10:00:30 a.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Polly Miller, human resources; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to address a personnel issue.

Polly Miller requested the meeting be closed during discussion of personnel issues.

@10:00:40 a.m., Lahren made a motion to close the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was closed.

@10:50:45 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

May 20, 2008
Consider Health Insurance Committee Recommendation

@11:01:00 a.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Polly Miller, human resources; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Shirley Ross, Justice Court; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to consider health insurance committee recommendations.

Committee Chair Marilyn Hartley provided a Health Insurance Committee recommendation for Fiscal Year 2009. Hartley read the recommendation cover letter into the record. The provider for FY '09 will remain as MACo Health Care Trust, but the Commission made a few recommended changes in premiums. Hartley said the committee recommendations are focused on making family insurance plans more affordable.

The Commission will consider recommendations and make a decision at a later time.

@11:23:54 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 20, 2008
Department Head Meeting

@1:32:43 p.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Polly Miller, human resources; Clay Williams, weed/junk vehicle; Marc Richards, GIS/IT; Bruce Martin, maintenance; Dan Hackmann, shop; Linda Budeski, justice court; Bill

Hurley, operations; Brian Sparks, museum; Richard Wright, transfer station; Suzanne Brown, health department; Randy Taylor, health department; Kim Knutson, fair; Kevin Larkin, treasurer; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled as a department head meeting.

No nominations were made for employee of the month.

Nominations were accepted for a new employee of the month nomination committee. Nominated as new members were Linda Budeski, Marc Richards, Allan Lutes, and Brian Sparks. June Little remains a committee member. Department heads may submit nominations in writing to a member of the committee, and a letter of recommendation is optional. Submittals must be made by the Friday before department head meetings.

Discussing county website homepage updates, Richards commented he posted information to the homepage about potential flooding in Park County and closure of Trail Creek green box sites.

Discussing budget updates, Polly Miller reminded all department heads they must meet with the Commission to propose preliminary FY '09 budget drafts.

Discussing the refrigerator in the Stress Elimination Room, department heads were reminded to inform their employees to clean out personal food items from the refrigerator.

Discussing evaluations, Miller said a new evaluation form for Park County is available and to be used by department heads.

Discussing an IT Advisory Committee FY '09 budget, Richards said the budget for the county computer replacement schedule will remain the same at \$15,000. He asked department heads to first consult the county IT department with computer issues before consulting Granite in order to save IT department computer maintenance expenses. Richards advised department heads to consult the IT department before purchasing new software or extra computer items that may not be compatible with the county computer system.

Discussing open enrollment for insurance, Miller said the Commission will soon decide what the new county insurance policy will be. Open enrollment will begin immediately after the Commission decides on a policy. MACo insurance and other representatives will be available onsite to answer employee insurance questions, tentatively June 12 and 13.

Discussing a key-coded door for the district courtroom, the Commission noted it is in discussions on the matter with District Judge Swandal, the county attorney, and Sheriff Lutes.

There was no other business.

There was no public comment.

@1:42:26 p.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 20, 2008

Transfer Station Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

@2:34:16 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Polly Miller, human resources; Richard Wright, transfer station; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a proposed Transfer Station budget for Fiscal Year 2009.

Richard Wright presented the Commission with a proposed Transfer Station Fiscal Year 2009 budget. Wright updated the Commission on the status of the county's recycling program and associated costs and revenues, as well as the cost of illegal dumping in green box sites, specifically the Trail Creek Forest Service site.

@3:05:12 p.m., Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 20, 2008

MACo Health Care Trust Agreement for Fiscal Year 2009 Insurance Rates

@3:06:04 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Polly Miller, human resources; Marilyn Hartley, accounting; Shirley Ross, Justice Court; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to consider a MACo HCT agreement for FY '09 insurance rates.

Miller, Hartley, and Ross expressed support for the committee recommendation of an RM1000 plan. That recommendation includes funding for next fiscal year for the RM1000 adding dental and vision plus \$500 annually to allow the FLEX account to cover the difference in deductible for a total amount of \$613 per employee.

Durgan made a motion to accept the RM1000 plan recommended by the committee with added dental, vision and a \$500 FLEX option. Lahren seconded that motion. Motion passed.

The committee will discuss an option with MACo where the county can work with outside employers regarding payment of insurance fees for family members.

@3:13:42 p.m., Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 21, 2008

Consider Non-Material Changes to the Shields River Bluffs Subsequent Minor Subdivision Preliminary Plat

@9:06:57 a.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was Mike Inman, planning department; Peter Vandergrift, Livingston Enterprise; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

Lahren postponed the meeting for rescheduling because there was no quorum of Commissioners.

@9:07:30 a.m., Lahren adjourned the meeting.

May 21, 2008

1:00 P.M. – Sign Claims – Commissioner's Chambers

May 21, 2008

3:00 P.M. – Elected Officials Compensation Board – Commissioner's Chambers – Canceled

May 21, 2008

6:00 P.M. - Park County Solid Waste Board – East Room

May 22, 2008

Review Grade Leases; Resolution for Special Deputy Attorney for Gardiner Water and Sewer District Transfer

@8:29:17 a.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present was Brett Linneweber, county attorney; Dennis Morelock, Tractor & Equipment; Dan Dinsdale, public citizen; Dick Juhnke, public citizen; Timothy Watson, public citizen; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller.

The meeting was scheduled to review grader leases and consider a resolution for a special deputy attorney for a Gardiner Water and Sewer District transfer.

Lahren recessed the meeting until 1:15 p.m., when Commissioner Durgan is present to discuss the resolution for a special deputy attorney for a Gardiner Water and Sewer District transfer.

Discussing a road grader lease, Linneweber reported he reviewed the proposed lease agreement for three motor graders from Caterpillar and added to the lease a state-required non-discrimination policy for Park County. Three motor graders would lease for one year for \$122,191.17. The return option date is June 30, 2009, and CAT must be made aware of the Commission's decision to renew or terminate the lease 30 days in advance of June 30, 2009. Administrative Assistant Denton was directed to calendar a discussion on that issue for April 30, 2009. A lease agreement for a fourth motor grader will be presented at the time that grader is delivered.

Lahren recessed the meeting until 1:15 p.m., when Commissioner Durgan is present to consider the road grader lease agreement.

Public comment was made by Dick Juhnke. Juhnke asked the Commission if it knew how much the county was paying for each grader per hour to lease. He said the county could do a lot of maintenance with that money on the motor graders it owned prior to trade in. Juhnke said the county will go over the 1,000 hour limit per machine if it uses graders throughout the year.

Lahren said the simple math on the cost to the county per machine is \$122,000+ divided by 3,000 permitted hours per the lease agreement.

Morelock said no county CAT contracts with has ever gone over the 1,000 hour limit.

Public comment was made by Dan Dinsdale. Dinsdale said the cheapest thing the county can do is pay CAT \$17.50 per hour for each machine. He said the county has a prime opportunity right now with nothing signed to go out for bids. Dinsdale asked who accepted payments from CAT on trade-ins of the county's old motor graders.

Lahren said things happened out of sequence with regards to the motor grader leases and the money for trade-ins went through the finance department. The Commission was informed after the fact of the trade-ins and subsequent proposed lease of new graders.

@8:51:55 a.m., Lahren adjourned the meeting. @1:15:22 p.m., Lahren reopened the meeting with Commissioner Durgan present.

Lahren read Resolution #1019 establishing a special deputy attorney for a Gardiner Water and Sewer District transfer into the record.

Brett Linneweber reported the county attorney's office is not equipped with enough staff currently to handle this issue, and Susan Swimley would be retained through passage of the resolution to handle specifics enabling transfer of the Gardiner Sewer District to the Gardiner, Park County Water and Sewer District board. Linneweber noted the timeliness

of the issue, as the county is liable for any spill or illegal discharge from the Gardiner sewer system as long as it holds the discharge permit.

Lahren noted the Commission has been working on this transfer for 3 ½ years and recommended passage of the resolution to ensure transfer of the discharge permit and all easement and assets.

Lahren made a motion to pass the resolution for a special deputy attorney for a Gardiner Water and Sewer District transfer. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Addressing the grader lease issue, Lahren provided a cost breakdown of the grader lease situation for the record and for future county commissioner consideration of options between paying in-house for grader work and outsourcing. Lahren said the county will be paying \$122,000 for the lease of three graders for one year. Terms of the lease allows for 1,000 hours of use per grader. Lahren said \$3,000 into \$122,000 with a full warranty that does not include servicing will cost the county \$41 per hour. Lahren said with operator costs of \$25/hour and added service and maintenance costs, the county could outsource grader work at a commercial rate, which is currently around \$95/hour.

The present lease is for three graders. A fourth grader and separate lease agreement will arrive in 30 to 60 days.

Linneweber reiterated the need to provide CAT with a decision on renewing the grader lease 30 days prior to June 30, 2009. In order to do that, Linneweber recommended meeting 60 days in advance of June 30, 2009, to consider options.

Durgan made a motion to accept the lease from Caterpillar for the graders noting the Commission needs to revisit the issue on April 30, 2009. Lahren seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@1:44:44 p.m., Lahren closed the meeting.

May 22, 2008

9:00 A.M. – 1) Consider Stafford Animal Shelter Contract 2) Consider Park County Spay/Neuter Task Force Contract – Commissioner’s Chambers - Canceled

10:00 A.M. – Landfill Fiscal Year 2009 Budget – Commissioner’s Chambers - Canceled

10:30 A.M. – Maintenance Fiscal Year 2009 Budget – Commissioner’s Chambers - Canceled

11:00 A.M. – Museum Board Members Updates – Commissioner’s Chambers - Canceled

May 22, 2008

Review Correspondence, Public Contacts, and Determine Action Plan

@1:44:48 p.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Brett Linneweber, county attorney; Peggy Glass, Park County 911; Bill Hurley, director of operations; Belinda Van Nurden, Park County DES; Dan Dinsdale, public citizen; Dick Juhnke, public citizen; Timothy Watson, public citizen; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to review correspondence, public contacts and determine action plans.

There was discussion about a potential contract to complete Myer's Flat equipment work. Hurley said access to the site is not a problem with the contract. Hurley said the county has road access to Myer's Flat for maintenance and removal of existing equipment and installation and operations of new equipment. Lahren said the Commission does not want the county paying out a lot of money for the project, specifically if the road washes out and maintenance is necessary. Hurley said the county would be responsible for keeping the road maintained to enable contractor access. Lahren suggested the contract state the contractor is responsible for outsourcing road work necessary to access the Myer's Flat site. The Commission does not want to have to pull the road off other jobs if a gate is locked or a road washes out. There was discussion about terminology in the contract of "hostile location" and whether a contractor would be aware of the site's physical surroundings.

Hurley said the county has the option of declining to contract out the work. The state would do the work in that event, but that may jeopardize Park County receiving funding for doing the project itself. Glass said work needs to start by July 1. Glass will submit an email to Interoperability Montana stating the county wants to contract the work out but needs to clear up some contract semantics.

Durgan noted Philip Fletcher expressed interest in taking photographs of potential problem flood sites along the Yellowstone River. He and Belinda Van Nurden commented on possible flood sites in the county. Durgan gave Fletcher permission to use the county 4-wheel drive vehicle for such work.

Van Nurden provided the Commission with a statement of work for signatures and informed the Commission a culvert on Eight Mile Road may be damaged and need replaced. She asked if the Commission would like to apply for state emergency disaster money in the event costs to replace the culvert and fix flooding of the road are high and can be linked to high water and flooding from snow melt.

Durgan reported on the fair board meeting and an issue of bidding specifications on a rabbit/poultry barn. Four contractors submitted comments and questions on the barn specs. The fair board will submit revised building structure specifications to the

Commission for review. The board decided only one building structure will be considered in the revised bid. Durgan said Knutson informed him some contractors were upset the bids were not opened. The Commission will direct Linneweber to contact Jim Snyder, and Snyder will take the contractor concerns.

Correspondence included:

- Memo from Van Nurden re. emergency and disaster services list of flooding events in Montana; drought status by county; available weed program money - To Durgan for review
- Heard Across Montana bulletin - To Hurley for review
- Memo from Solid Waste Management District Logan Landfill - To Hatfield for review
- Memo from MT DEQ re. EA for City of Livingston Class II transfer station within 72-acre city owned lot near Bennett Street - To Refuse Board and Richard Wright and Hatfield for review
- CBDG grant administrative workshop - To Lori Benner for review
- Email from Lahren to Ed Coleman re. expenditure of SEP monies on Voyich project by October - To Gardiner Sewer District file
- Memo from Ed Meece re. Livingston obligation to participate in 37% of parking lot striping project; request to calculate city of Livingston's cost of project - To Hurley for review
- List of witnesses and jurors for LaDuke trial - To Commission for review
- Museum director time sheet - To Miller for review
- Letter from Town of Clyde Park requesting position on Park County Solid Waste Board - To solid waste board - Denton will send a letter to Clyde Park requesting nominations for the appointment
- HKM gas monitoring report - To solid waste board for review
- Memo from Clean Energy Coalition - To Durgan for review

@3:01:02 p.m., Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 22, 2008

County Road Updates

@3:01:23 p.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Ed Hillman, road supervisor; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller.

The meeting was scheduled to update the Commission on county road work.

The Commission noted it renewed a Forest Service/Park County cooperative road service agreement.

There was discussion about using cattle guards with steel I-beams and cement as a fix on the Six Mile Road Bridge. Hillman said the bridge abutments are in good shape on that bridge. Hillman and the Commission agreed the county will consider steel instead of wood when repairing bridges in the future.

Hillman said he will install a temporary cattle guard bridge across Six Mile Creek on Tuesday and Six Mile Bridge repairs will likely begin on Thursday. He said MT Fish and Game has okayed the temporary cattle guard bridge.

Hillman said the Eight Mile culvert is not plugged. Fish and Game said it will pay for a new culvert there. The Commission said Van Nurden reported a culvert is damaged on Trail Creek Road near West Pine. Hillman said the creek runs in many directions there because of beaver dams on private property. Hillman said the Fridley Creek culvert is completely washed out. He said he spoke with Van Nurden about possibly applying for disaster emergency monies to fix that culvert and Fish and Game may contribute money for a bottomless culvert there.

Durgan asked Hillman what portion of Airport Road he was talking about at an Airport meeting. Hillman said he was referring to a stretch of road from the cattle guard to the top of the hill. Durgan said a \$3,000 IronWolf estimate is too high for that work compared to the cost to work on Billman Creek Road. Hillman said IronWolf's mobilization fee increases the cost of its work. IronWolf told Hillman he will submit a written estimate. There was discussion about the ability of the airport, the city, and the county to come up with a percentage of the cost to fix Airport Road.

Durgan noted a citizen question from Hammon Creek Road. Hillman said that citizen agreed to provide a water truck, and the county will begin work there once the rain stops. He said graveling a bad spot on Suce Creek road will be done as soon as the weather permits. The Commission will talk with Janet Bernthal about a promised turn-around on Suce Creek Road that has not been constructed.

The Commission notified Hillman it signed a lease for three motor graders. Lahren said grader work could be contracted out for \$95/hour. Hillman said he estimated it would cost \$130/hour if the road crew were to grade the roads.

@3:31:01 p.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 22, 2008

Extension Fiscal Year 2009 Budget

@3:32:14 p.m., Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Lahren were present. Also present was Mary Anne Anderson, Extension; Tracy Brewer, Extension; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss an MSU Extension proposed FY '09 budget.

Mary Anne Anderson provided the Commission with an Extension proposed budget for FY '09. She noted the largest budget increase to the county is the county's share of the 4-H Extension agent position, which will be paid by the county at 100%, up from 75%.

@3:43:48 p.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

May 22, 2008

Consider Approving Commission Minutes for the Week of May 12, 2008

@3:45:19 p.m., Lahren reopened a recessed 9 a.m., meeting from May 19, 2008, to approve the Commission meeting minutes for the Week of May 12, 2008.

On Page 1 of 10, County Attorney Linneweber noted a misspelling of Jim "Durgan."

Durgan made a motion that the minutes stand approved as compiled with the noted correction from Mr. Linneweber. Lahren seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@4:08:59 p.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Larry A. Lahren
Chairman, Park County Commission
Park County, Montana

Denise Nelson
Clerk & Recorder
Park County, Montana