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**PROCEEDING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF MONTANA
June 21, 2016**

Present: Commissioners Mullen, Wortman and Kirsch; Drew Dawson, BTAC; Jan Anderson, *Boulder Monitor*; David Stinar & Susanne Hill, AirMedCare; Paul Backlund

The meeting was called to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Commissioner Wortman moved to approve the minutes of May 17. Commissioner Kirsch seconded. The motion carried.

REPORTS

Commissioner Mullen noted the receipt of May expense and revenue reports from the Clerk and Recorder.

CALENDAR REVIEW

- 6/22 MACo Board of Directors BBQ - Lakeside - 6:00
Department of Agriculture community meeting - Boulder - 6:00
- 6/23 MACo Board of Directors meeting - Helena
MDC Transition Advisory Committee meeting - Boulder - 9:00
LEPC - Clancy - 6:00
Marketing Boulder meeting - 6:30

COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Kirsch reported that on Wednesday he attended the Boulder Senior Center board meeting. They are getting some repairs done to the building, and need to address an insulation problem. However, they are having problems getting a contractor.

Commissioner Kirsch reported that on Wednesday night he attended a study circle group. The Department of Commerce talked about programs available, but the City needs a master plan first.

Commissioner Wortman reported that on Wednesday he attended the JLDC meeting in Montana City, where they reviewed their current projects. They are still negotiating on the sale of buildings on the south campus.

Commissioner Wortman reported that on Thursday morning he attended a meeting with several people from the state design team working on the proposed rest area. He said that it was a productive meeting. The manager from Skytop requested some different options on the design and location.

Commissioner Wortman reported that he attended the library board meeting in Whitehall on Thursday. They discussed their proposed budget and the library's summer program. They are going to invite Bonnie Ramey, Clerk and Recorder, to the next meeting to help them with some budget questions that they have.

Commissioner Mullen reported that the Commissioners canvassed the election on Friday morning.

Commissioner Mullen reported that on Monday he attended the RMDC Executive Board meeting in Helena. They reviewed their proposed budget and discussed grant requests. He stated that they will be purchasing some playground equipment for the Boulder Headstart program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Backlund stated that he thinks that the road and bridge crew are doing a great job. Also, with his minor involvement with the election, he appreciates all of the fantastic work that the election team does.

ITEMS FOR COMMISSIONERS' ACTION OR REVIEW

DAVID STINAR - AirMedCare - DISCUSS MEMBERSHIP OPTION

David Stinar introduced Susanne Hill, his counter-part in Bozeman. He gave a background of the network and explained how the service works. He stated that AirMedCare has been in

business since 1985, they are currently in 32 states and have 2.5 million members.

The full membership plan is set up so that \$65/year covers an entire household, related or not, with no out-of-pocket expenses if they need an air ambulance.

The municipal site plan is one set fee per year that covers every resident of Jefferson County. Jefferson County's proposed plan has been modified to include Lewis & Clark and Silverbow Counties, so that if a Jefferson County resident needs to be transported for a life and limb situation from those three counties, it would be covered.

Commissioner Wortman asked if this coverage is only for AirMedCare flights, noting that Butte also has an air ambulance. David stated that this is correct; the insurance is only for AirMedCare flights. Commissioner Wortman stated that he wished it covered more than just the one company, especially in the Whitehall area.

Commissioner Kirsch asked if a Jefferson County resident is picked up in another state or non-covered city, if they would be covered. David stated that they would not be, but as he mentioned at the beginning, there is the \$65/year full membership that will cover members in 32 states.

Commissioner Wortman said that they will need to discuss this during the budget cycle. David stated that he can follow up mid-August.

Drew Dawson asked if he knows how many air ambulance calls there have been from Jefferson County in the last year, noting that it would be helpful for the Commissioners to have those numbers. David stated that he doesn't have those numbers, but he can do some research.

RESOLUTION 13-2016 DISTRIBUTION OF METALLIFEROUS MINES LICENSE TAX
Commissioner Mullen read the resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION 13-2016

DISTRIBUTION OF METALLIFEROUS MINES LICENSE TAX

WHEREAS, §15-37-117, MCA, requires that twenty-five percent (25%) of metalliferous mines license taxes, collected by the State under the authority of Title 15, Chapter 37, Part 1, MCA, be distributed to the county in which the mine is located; and

WHEREAS, §15-37-117, MCA, requires the County Commissioners of such county to allocate those sums received by them, from said metalliferous mines license taxes collected by

the State, as follows:

(1) Not less than forty percent (40%) to the County Hard Rock Mine Trust Reserve Account established under §7-6-2225, MCA; and

(2) All money, not allocated to the said County Hard Rock Mine Trust Reserve Account, is to be allocated as follows:

(a) 33⅓% to the County Metal Mines Tax Reserve Account for planning or economic development activities;

(b) 33⅓% to the elementary school districts' Metal Mines Tax Reserve Account, within the County, that have been affected by the development or operation of the metal mines; and

(c) 33⅓% to the high school districts' Metal Mines Tax Reserve Account within the County that have been affected by the development or operation of the metal mine; and

WHEREAS, there are several metalliferous mines located within the boundaries of Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson County government has recently received \$179,144.35 as its share of such metalliferous mines license taxes collected from the metalliferous mines within Jefferson County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. That forty percent (40%) of such total sum of \$179,144.35 shall be allocated to and placed in the County Hard Rock Mine Trust Reserve Fund 2895 established under §7-6-2225, MCA.

2. That all such sums, held in the above-referenced Hard Rock Mine Trust Reserve Fund and/or above-numbered fund(s) on behalf of the above-named school districts and Jefferson County, shall remain in such account and shall be properly accounted for under the appropriate fund number or numbers established for the same. Further, such sums shall be appropriated by the governing body of Jefferson County, and/or distributed thereby, only in accordance with the provision of §7-6-2226, MCA.

3. That sixty percent (60%) of such total sum of \$179,144.35 shall be allocated to, and placed in, the County Metal Mines Tax Reserve Account established under §7-6-2226, MCA.

4. That one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the said sixty percent (60%) placed in the County Metal Mines tax Reserve Account pursuant to the preceding Paragraph No. 3 shall be placed in Economic Development and Planning Account No. 2320. Such sums to be paid to said account (totaling at this time the sum of \$35,828.87) shall only be used for planning or economic development activities.

5. That one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the said sixty percent (60%) placed in the County Metal Mines Tax Reserve Account pursuant to the above Paragraph No. 3, shall be allocated and appropriated to the benefit of elementary school districts. Wherefore, the combined distributions shall be allocated and distributed to the following school districts which are affected by the development or operation of metal mines with an amount as follows:

(i) To the Cardwell Elementary School District No. 16, the total sum of \$17,914.44 to be placed in said School District's Account No. 7716;

(ii) To the Whitehall Elementary School District No. 4-47, the total sum of \$17,914.44 to be placed in said School District's Account No. 7713;

6. That one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the said sixty percent (60%) placed in the County Metal Mines Tax Reserve Account pursuant to the above Paragraph No. 3, shall be allocated and appropriated to the benefit of the following high school district, affected by the development or operation of the several metal mines, or a pro-rata basis determined from the license taxes collected from the mine or mines within each such school district:

(i) To the Whitehall High School District No. 2, the total sum of \$35,828.87 to be placed in said School District's Account No. 7762.

DATED this 21st day of June, 2016.

ATTEST:

BONNIE RAMEY
CLERK AND RECORDER

BOB MULLEN, CHAIR

LEONARD WORTMAN, COMMISSIONER

CORY KIRSCH, COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Wortman moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Kirsch seconded. The motion carried.

DISCUSS AND DECIDE ON PIPESTONE/JEFFERSON SLOUGH PROJECT ISSUES

Commissioner Wortman stated that another letter has been sent to the Capps on the agreement for doing the blow out on Pipestone Creek. Everything has to go through their attorney, so that takes some time.

DISCUSS AND DECIDE ON FACILITY CONSTRUCTION ISSUES

all of the steel for the bleacher cover has been ordered and should be here shortly. The cover will be erected before the fair, which is to be held the end of August.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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