<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: The Public Hearing for Resolution 2065 regarding Annexing Hooker Properties was opened at 7:15 p.m. by Mayor Lane.

Present at the Hearing were:

Council Members: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, and Jeremy Krebs. Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple were excused.

City Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and City Secretary Arlee Schneider. Several members of the public were also present.

Cory Kenney asked if the property owners had been notified by mail of the annexation. It was noted that the notice had also been published twice in the Big Horn County News. Molina asked if a certified letter could be sent to be sure they have received it. Snively explained by doing the entire process would need to be started over.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: The Regular Council Meeting for January 6, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Jeremy Krebs, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, and City Secretary Arlee Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Wemple made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the December 16, 2014 Council meeting and Finance committee meeting. Motion seconded by Krebs. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Chris Schneider asked permission to hang union meeting notices next to the employee time clock. Mayor and Council agreed.

Cory Kenney asked when the Council training would take place. Angevine reported the training is tentatively scheduled for January 22 around 5:00 p.m. **<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>**

MAYOR: Mayor Lane commended City Employees and Volunteers for the assistance and patience in minor remodeling of the City Office.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Cal Cumin asked permission from Council to apply for grants to conduct a housing feasibility study with RC&D. The applicant name would be City of Hardin and the Mayor would sign the application, but the City-County Planning Board will finance the \$5000 match. Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Angevine. Motion passed. (4-1-1) Molina Dissent and Greer abstained.

Richard Morissette expressed his concerns on the Street Maintenance assessments. He stated he did not think it was fair to the out of town property owners because there was no notification. He asked in the future letters be mailed or a phone call be made to notify people ahead of time. No action was taken.

Pat Davies from Sanderson Stewart presented the Shopko preliminary plat. He explained the drainage plan was to have all drainage piped into the drain ditch and also the proposed grade for the building would be slightly higher than Center and 10th Street. Cal clarified that when the agreement is signed by the property owners, Lammers, it will include the Right of Way Easement for 10th Street. Kepp made a motion to approve the preliminary plat with conditions. Krebs seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

- Public Works: Dill reported he would be working with Stahly Engineering to develop a plan to relocate the water meter in Arrowhead Trailer Court and Seder Trailer Court. Dill reported that he would submit a copy of a proposed safety program to the union steward and would also work on developing a final draft to bring to Council for approval.
- Finance: Dyckman reported that the Annual Financial Report was completed and . submitted. She reviewed the Management's Discussion and Analysis, a condensed version of the Annual Financial Report. Dyckman also noted reporting requirement changes with retirement funds.
- Legal:
- Economic Development: The new airport will be opening.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance:
- Streets & Alleys: Krebs reported the City Crew was plowing snow, starting with the Hospital and Schools.
- Sewer & Water:
- Finance:

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	CLAIM No.	Total
December, 2014	18518-18571	
	18598-18604	\$110,799.96
January, 2015	18572-18597	\$3,335.00
Claims Total		\$114,134.96

TOTAL Submitted

\$114,134.96

Monthly

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Parks & Playgrounds: .

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Wemple made a motion to approve Resolution 2064 regarding Amending Resolution 1913-Established City's Policy on Authorizing Expenditures. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kepp made a motion to approve Resolution 2065 regarding annexing Hooker properties. Wemple seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

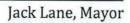
The Mayor announced the airport soft opening would take place January 8 at 11:00 a.m. in the Courthouse basement conference room. He also announced Healthy Hardin would hold their next meeting at the Courthouse on January 9 from 12-1. Lunch would be served.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Krebs seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



<u>COUNCIL MEETING:</u> The Regular Council Meeting for January 20, 2015 was called to order at 7:40 p.m. with Council President Kenny Kepp presiding.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Jeremy Krebs, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, City Judge Debbie Winburn, Landfill Supervisor Chris Schneider, City Secretary Arlee Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Krebs made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the January 6, 2015 Council meeting and Water and Sewer, Personnel, Finance, and Streets and Alleys committee meetings. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Cory Kenney asked when the Council training would take place. Angevine confirmed it would be held January 22 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Laurie Tschetter stated she was tentatively scheduled to have a meeting with Elizabeth, her lawyer, tomorrow, Wednesday, at 3:00 p.m. to discuss the water meter agreement. She also stated she thinks something needs to be drafted to notify out of town property owners of tax increases.

Tammy Deavers expressed her concern about the increase in street maintenance fees and made comments about her court case with the City. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

MAYOR:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

STAFF REPORTS

- **Public Works**: Dill reported the City crew was working on snow removal and would also be starting to make sure the drains were clear and operating correctly.
- Finance: Dyckman reported the audit was still in progress.
- Legal:
- **Economic Development:** Greer reported RC&D would be holding a Job Fair in Billings on March 18.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple reported committee was in the process of discussing options on landfill equipment, and stockpiling dirt to use for coverage of waste.
- Streets & Alleys: Krebs reported the City Crew was still removing snow.
- **Parks & Playgrounds:** Krebs Reported committee was in the process of reviewing designs for the Heimat Park restrooms.
- Sewer & Water:

• Finance:

rmance.		Monthly
	CLAIM No.	Total
December, 2014	18607-18610	
	18612, 18614	
	18616-18619	\$31,711.26
January, 2015	18605, 18606, 18611	
oundary, 2010	18613, 18615, 18620	\$12,854.13
Claims Total		\$44,565.39
December, 2014 Payroll		\$100,581.95
TOTAL Submitted		\$145,147.34

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Krebs. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Angevine made a motion to approve Resolution 2066 regarding establishing wage for a City employee. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kepp announced Council Training would take place January 22 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The training is open to the public.

Wemple made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Angevine seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk

Jack Lane

Jack Lane, Mayor



<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: The Regular Council Meeting for February 3, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Jeremy Krebs, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Landfill Supervisor Chris Schneider, City Secretary Arlee Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Wemple made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the January 20, 2015 Council meeting and Water and Sewer, Landfill, and Parks and Playgrounds committee meetings. Motion seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Cory Kenney expressed his concerns on having a time limit on public comment.

Laurie Tschetter stated she feels the Street Maintenance Assessments need to be revisited and more notification needed to be given. She also would like to see a plan put in place for the assessments for next year. <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>:

MAYOR: Mayor Lane reported the preliminary negations had begun with the Union Representatives, and there would be another meeting in the future. He also commended the public works department on removing the snow from the streets.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works: Dill requested permission to have a budget of \$15,000 to \$20,000 to restore a river bank at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. He would like to start the project tomorrow. Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance: Dyckman reported money had been moved from a project account to a bond account at US Bank. The project account had been closed and the bond account had been activated. The auditor suggested getting Council approval this account activity. Kepp made a motion to approve. Krebs seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dyckman gave a progress report on the audit and did a financial overview.

- Legal:
- Economic Development: Mayor Lane reported TRA seemed to be doing well.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple made a motion to stockpile cover material for the landfill for the 2015-2016 year, either by renting the equipment or contracting it out. He also recommended fixing the current equipment and selling it, the money received from the equipment would be used toward future landfill equipment purchases. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

• **Streets & Alleys:** Krebs commented on the City Crews progress on getting the snow removed from the streets.

Parks & Playgrounds: Krebs made a motion to move forward with the purchasing of the Napa prefabricated building for the Heimat Park Restrooms. Kepp seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

- Sewer & Water: Kepp stated he would like Cory Kenny to talk with Dill about the river banks restoration project because of his experience.
- Finance:

rmance:		Monthly
	CLAIM No.	Total
December, 2014	18717	\$6,326.12
January, 2015	18621-18680	
	18707-18716	
	18718	\$63,390.68
February, 2015	18681-18706	\$3,335.00
Funds Transfers		(\$6,326.12)
Claims Total		
(Expenditures)		\$66,725.68
TOTAL Submitted		\$66,725.68

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Krebs. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Laurie Tschetter announced the Study Commission would be meeting February 24 at 6:00 p.m., the tentative date is February 23.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wemple seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

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Jack Lane, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



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THE COMMON COUNCIL

CITY OF HARDIN, MONTANA

<u>COUNCIL MEETING:</u> The Regular Council Meeting for February 17, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Jeremy Krebs, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Landfill Supervisor Chris Schneider, City Secretary Arlee Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Wemple made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the February 3, 2015 Council meeting, Landfill, and Parks and Playgrounds committee meetings. Motion seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Cory Kenney expressed his concerns on public right and laws to public comment at Council meetings.

Jeff Huffman approached Council to seek information about how to remove one of the trees in front of his business. He was directed to go into the city office and fill out a complaint form, which would then be given to the Superintendent.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Molina asked if there was a way to have a brief comment period after each agenda item that needed to be voted on. Council decided to direct the issue to the Resolution and Ordinance committee to draft a policy on how to conduct public comment.

MAYOR: Mayor Lane reported Russell Dill was out of town for training and Michelle Dyckman was on vacation.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: Kepp asked Union Steward Chris Schneider if the Safety Manual had been reviewed. She stated it was in the process and she would know more by the next Council meeting.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Vicky Oneil presented the Study Commissions proposed budget for 2014-2016. Krebs made a motion to approve the budget. Wemple seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

- Public Works:
- Finance:
- Legal:
- **Economic Development:** Mayor Lane reported TRA seemed to be doing well, Shopko was moving along and there was possible interest in the Industrial Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple reported RDO was fixing the equipment for the landfill to then be sold. He would like to have a landfill committee meeting to discuss starting the bids for the stockpiling contract. Barry Damschen recommended starting stockpiling 15,000 cubic yards of cover material. He also stated a Capital Improvement Plan was being discussed for the landfill.
- **Streets & Alleys:** Krebs reported City crews had been busy sanding from the overnight ice and snow, and there would be a hydrant line replaced on 11th and Crow Ave.

- **Parks & Playgrounds:** Krebs reported the Contract for the Heimat Park restrooms had been signed and mailed, a meeting would be held to discuss the pavilions, and the Heimat Park Sidewalk project would begin in April.
- Sewer & Water: Kepp reported he had been to the river to look at the riverbank restoration project and was very impressed with the work.
- Finance:

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	CLAIM No.	Total
January, 2015	18719-18732	
	18737-18739	\$25,125.74
February, 2015	18733-18736	\$2,859.28

TOTAL Submitted

\$27,985.02

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Krebs. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Lane announce the Study Commission would be meeting on February 23 at 6:00 p.m.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greer seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michelle Duckingen Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk





<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: The Regular Council Meeting for March 3, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Jeremy Krebs, and Jerry Wemple. Randy Angevine was excused.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/ City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, City Judge Debbie Winburn, Landfill Supervisor Chris Schneider, City Secretary Arlee Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kepp made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the February 17, 2015 Council meeting. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jeremy Krebs gave his resignation to Council.

Cory Kenney expressed his concerns on public comment at Council meetings. He also questioned why a claim was not on the \$5,000 or more list. Wemple stated the claim had already been approved at a previous council meeting.

Laurie Tschetter questioned why there was nothing said about a report from the state about Dallas Eidems' discharge. She also expressed her concerns with the Beartooth RC&D's housing study information.

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR:

OLD BUSINESS: Snively recommended council approve the Kenney Water Agreement that was negotiated subject to receiving the agreement regarding the Walters Tap. Kepp made a motion to approve the recommendation. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS: Luke Walawander presented a Community Development Block Grant application to council and asked for a letter of support from the City. Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was approved, Greer abstained.

Snively reported there were more disclosures that needed to be taken care with the TIFD. He recommended entering a new agreement with Dorsey Whitney to continue to retain them for bond counsel. Kepp made a motion to approve the recommendation. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

Dyckman presented an Election Calendar.

STAFF REPORTS

- Public Works:
- Finance: Dyckman reported the audit would be finished this month.
- Legal: Snively reported March 17th at 7 p.m. a hearing would be held on a petition to to close or abandon Heth Road for possible development. Snively reported that a notice of hearing had been received from the Board of Personnel Appeals.
- **Economic Development:** Mayor Lane reported TRA seemed to be doing well, Shopko was moving along and there was possible interest in the Industrial Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple reported two bids had been received for the stockpiling of cover material at the landfill. There were two more bids waiting to be received. The warranty for the coal furnace was also discussed.
- Streets & Alleys: Krebs reported Dill would soon begin compiling a list of potholes that needed to be fixed.
- **Parks & Playgrounds:** Krebs reported the colors for the Heimat Park Restrooms had been decided and the Sidewalk project for Heimat Park would begin in April. Greer made a motion to retain Krebs as a consultant for the Heimat Park projects. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was approved.
- Sewer & Water: Kepp reported the Shopko Plat had been reviewed and there would be a vote next meeting to go ahead with the process as long as the water main extension follows the original plat.

Finance:		Monthly
	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
2015	18723*- 18758	\$927.10
January, 2015		\$927.10
	(*additional to 2/17/15 approval)	
February, 2015	18740 - 18751	
	18753 - 18784	
	18810, 18811	\$70,136.58
March, 2015	18785 - 18809	\$3,317.50
Claims Total (Expenditures)		\$74,381.18
January, 2015 Payroll		\$143,236.29
February, 2015 Payroll		\$105,575.15
TOTAL Submitted		\$323,192.62

Dyckman presented the claims. Greer made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Laurie Tschetter announced the Study Commission would be meeting Monday March 9th at 5:00 p.m. in the City Court building.

Mayor Lane announced a wellness presentation on March 4th and a wellness screening on March 11th. Both would be held in the Council Chambers. A public hearing on Heth Road would be held March 17th at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. There was also going to be a WASACT Conference on March 24th in Miles City.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wemple seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk

Jack Lane, Mayor

<u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> The Public Hearing for the closure of Heth Road was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Lane.

Present at the Hearing were:

Council Members: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple.

City Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Landfill Supervisor Chris Schneider, City Judge Debbie Winburn and City Secretary Arlee Schneider. Several members of the public were also present.

Mike Martinsen questioned why the road needed to be abandoned. He also commented on needing "Welcome to Hardin" signs, and the 4-plex that was under construction on 6th and Crawford.

Laurie Tschetter expressed her concerns on people living in the area and if they had been give the proper amount information on the road closure.

Jeff McDowell expressed concerns with the City easement still being accessible. Kepp stated the easement and utilities would all stay in place.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: The Regular Council Meeting for March 17, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Lane presiding:

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Secretary Arlee Schneider, City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Landfill Supervisor Chris Schneider, and City Judge Debbie Winburn. Several members of the public were also present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kepp made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the March 3, 2015 Council, Resolution and Ordinance, Parks and Playgrounds, Landfill, and Water and Sewer committee meetings. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Cory Kenney stated the current agenda was a prime example of how there is not enough information on agenda items. He also expressed how he would like to see public comment procedure clarified in writing.

The Mayor explained to comply with State Laws he had 30 days to fill the vacancy in ward 3 and he had found a prominent citizen, Harry Kautzman.

Laurie Tschetter stated she had been in contact with her lawyer, Elizabeth, on the meter pits issue. She agreed with Cory that there needed to be more explanation on agenda items. She also reported the study commission had a large number of surveys that had been sent out being returned, and if anyone needed another copy they were available at the City Offices.

Mike Martinsen expressed a need for "Welcome to Hardin" signs. The Mayor stated the project was a work in progress.

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR: Mayor Lane reported he had found a perfect candidate to fill the Vacancy for ward 3.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: Jeremy Krebs gave an update on the Heimat Park restroom project. At the next meeting a trim color for the metal around the doors would need to be picked. He also asked permission from Council to get the material to repair the Frisbee golf course. He

would need concrete and poles for the signs, the cost not to exceed \$500. Greer made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Lane nominated Harry Kautzman to fill the vacancy in ward 3. Angevine made a motion to approve the nomination. Seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The Mayor gave Kautzman the oath of office and he took his seat.

Kepp made a motion to remove the two trees in front of Floors and More on Center Street. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The business owner, Jeff Huffman, would coordinate with Dill for replacing the trees.

Patrick Dawes asked permission from Council to close the 200 Block of Center Street in July to have a Relay for Life Fundraiser. He would have stands set up and entertainment available. Kepp made a motion to approve the request subject to Dawes talking with the business owners and a set date. Dawes would be in contact with Dill. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Theresa Hert asked permission for her grandson to have three chickens for 4-H. There would be no roosters. Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dyckman reported Cal Cumin was working on the CDBG Grant. Copies would be provided to the City when the Mayor's signature was needed.

Dr. Andrew Wagner asked permission to hang his signs for his business on the old Harold Stanton building. The signs would sit flush with the building. Angevine made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kepp made a motion to approve the water main extension for the Shopko development, as long as the original plat was followed. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Greer made a motion to approve the Heth Road closure condition upon if the current development happens. Seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Angevine made a motion to approve the contract extension with Barry Damschen for his engineering services for the landfill. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

• Public Works:

• **Finance:** Dyckman requested permission to purchase a mini HR program to help with the Affordable Care Act reporting if needed in the near future. Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Angevine seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dyckman presented a report for the Landfill Closure and Post Closure that needed to be submitted to DEQ, and gave an informational report on continuing disclosures.

- Legal: Snively explained an issue between the 1996 ordinance vs. the 2004 ward map. Something would need to be done before open filing for elections. After a brief discussion, Council asked Snively to write an emergency ordinance and a regular ordinance that would keep the color coded Wards that are currently being used. They would be brought back for Council approval at the next meeting. Changing the Wards would be looked at in the future.
- **Economic Development:** Mayor Lane reported there was an interest in developing a Truck Stop across from the old Purple Cow. Molina reported the detention center was still operating well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

• Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple reported bids for the stockpiling of material would be sent out later in the week.

- Sewer & Water:
- Streets & Alleys: Kautzman will take over Krebs' spot on Committees.
- Finance

		Monthly
	CLAIM No.	Total
February, 2015	18813-18823	
	18825-18829	
	18832-18837	
	18839-18848	\$37,638.93
March, 2015	18812, 18824	
	18830-18831	
	18838, 18849-18853	\$82,034.53
	CL 18853- CASH Transfer	(\$64,080.15)
	JV1869- Landfill Expenditures	\$65,079.00
Claims Total		
(Expenditures)		\$120,672.31
TOTAL Submitted		\$120,672.31

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

• **Parks & Playgrounds:** S-Bar-S indicated they could make the pavilion roofs match the restrooms if a color swatch was provided.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES: RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Wemple made a motion to approve Resolution 2067 regarding establishing wage for a City employee. Seconded by Molina. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>: Mayor Lane announced the next Study Commission would be held March 30 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

There being no further business Kepp made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Greer. The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



<u>COUNCIL MEETING:</u> The Regular Council Meeting for April 7, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Lane presiding:

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, City Judge Debbie Winburn, and City Secretary Arlee Schneider. Several members of the public were also present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes with the date correction from the March 17, 2015 Council meeting. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Laurie Tschetter stated she had filled out a request for information for the information in the Eidem investigation and had been denied. She also questioned if the investigation was on going why the public hadn't been informed. Mayor Lane stated the Eidem case is a personnel matter and it is being handled as confidential.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Dyckman presented information for an Elected Officials Workshop in May and information on the Government Finance Officers Association.

MAYOR: Mayor Lane presented the proclamation for Larry Morrison who "Lost his life while assisting another person on the highway near Lodge Grass on October 17, 2014. He was a retired City employee at that time and it is therefore appropriate for the City of Hardin to honor his memory by proclaiming him to be a Community Hero." He welcomed anyone who would like to sign it.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Harry Kautzman stated he was ok with taking over Krebs positions on the committees as long as the rest of the Council was. Council agreed.

Newly Elected County Attorney Jay Harris introduced himself to Council and presented his future plans for the community.

Kepp reported the Water and Sewer committee saw no problems with Tom Snyder trenching to the City water main and hooking up to it, Snyder would work out all the details with Dill.

Kepp made a motion to approve the memorandum of understanding from Beartooth RC&D and continue their relationship. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

- **Public Works**: Molly Hershey from Stahly Engineering presented a GIS planning project that would be used the locate curb stops, and water and sewer lines. Dill requested approval to continue working with Stahly Engineering on the project and allow an intern to come to Hardin in the summer and collect data, which would cost \$4,000. Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.
- Finance: Dyckman reviewed findings in the Audit.
- Legal:
- **Economic Development:** Jeff McDowell stated there were about 150 inmates at the detention center.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

 Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple reported a few more bids for stockpiling were waiting to be received. Bids for stockpiling are due April 30th.

Sewer & Water:

• Streets & Alleys: Kautzman reported a chip seal project was being discussed, and Alley clean-up was tentatively scheduled for May 11-15.

Finance

		Wonthly
	CLAIM No.	Total
March, 2015	18854-18896	
	18919-18923	
	18925-18933	
	18936-18940	\$730,620.50
April, 2015	18897-18918	
	18924	
	18934, 18935	\$3,626.00

Claims Total (Expenditures)

\$734,246.50

\$734,246.50

Monthly

TOTAL Submitted

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Parks & Playgrounds:

SPECIAL COMMITTEES: RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Angevine made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-01, an Emergency Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment of Title 1, Chapter 9, Wards and Ordinance 2015-02 Authorizing the Amendment of Title 1, Chapter 9, Wards. Seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The public hearing for Ordinance 2015-02 will be held April 21 at 7:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Lane announced a Public Hearing for the Study Commission would be held April 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.

There being no further business Wemple made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Kepp. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

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PUBLIC HEARING: The Public Hearing for Ordinance 2015-2 Authorizing the Amendment of Title 1, Chapter 9, Wards was opened at 7:15 p.m. by Mayor Lane.

Present at the Hearing were:

Council Members: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple.

City Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, City Judge Debbie Winburn and City Secretary Arlee Schneider. Several members of the public were also present.

Laurie Tschetter expressed her concerns on the wards being even population wise, and questioned if it would have to be reviewed in the future.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

<u>COUNCIL MEETING:</u> The Regular Council Meeting for April 21, 2015 was called to order at 7:40 p.m. with Mayor Lane presiding:

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Secretary Arlee Schneider, City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, and City Judge Debbie Winburn. Several members of the public were also present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Wemple made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the April 7, 2015 Council and Water and Sewer committee meetings. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Cory Kenney expressed his concern on how there needed to be more information on agenda items.

Laurie Tschetter expressed that she did not want to see any more tax increases, and questioned when the lighting districts would be addressed. She also stated she had filed a complaint at the City offices and would like to know the status of it. Dill stated it was being worked on to achieve a long term solution.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Operation Sparkle would be May 15. The fire department would wash the streets either May 9 or 16.

MAYOR: Mayor Lane reported he would be presenting the Morrison Commendation at the Tribal Building tomorrow at 1 p.m.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: Kepp made a motion to stay with Option 4 on the JPT insurance plan. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Bill Hodges from Healthy Hardin presented data collected in Big Horn County. Dill reported the group would like to work with the City on developing a safe and accessible streets policy. They hoped to bring a draft to the next meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

• **Public Works**: Wemple made a motion to approve switching to a new Verizon plan that would save the City money. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kepp made a motion to approve the purchase of the chemical needed for the settling basin, which would be about \$10,000. Motion seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Wemple made a motion to approve the purchase of thirty 300 gallon garbage cans. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill reported he would bring options for the new garbage truck purchase to the next meeting.

Dill asked what Council would like to see on a welcome sign, this was needed to secure the money from the CTEP grant. Council decided on a rectangle, oval or circular sign being 4'x8' big and 8 feet off the ground made of plastic.

- **Finance:** Dyckman presented the March finance reports and information for proposed Tax Increment Finance District budget amendments.
- Legal: Greer asked the status of the Anderson house that was supposed to be being torn down. Snively reported the family had been given more time to clean up the debris.
- Economic Development: The City will review a Memorandum of Understanding proposal from Two Rivers Authority.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple reported bids for the stockpiling of material would be received by the end of April.
- Streets & Alleys: Kautzman reported the merry go round at Custer Park had been repaired.
- Sewer & Water:
- Finance:

- Thance.	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
March, 2015	18941-18959	\$23,047.20
April, 2015	18960-18968	\$20,800.21
Claims Total (Expenditures)		\$43,847.41
March,2015 Payroll +JV 1880		\$103,836.30
TOTAL Submitted	and the second	\$147,683.71

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

• **Parks & Playgrounds:** Dill reported an update on Heimat Park would be given at the next meeting. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Wemple made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-2 Authorizing the Amendment of Title 1, Chapter 9, Wards. Seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Wemple made a motion to approve Resolution 2068 regarding establishing wage for a City employee. Seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>: Mayor Lane announced the presentation of the Morrison Proclamation in Crow tomorrow. The Study Commission Public Hearing would be held April 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.

There being no further business Wemple made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Greer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 provide the second secon



COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for May 5, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, City Judge Debbie Winburn, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the April 21, 2015 Council and committee meetings. Motion seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cory Kenney explained that the public should be able to comment on all items throughout meetings and not just in the "Public Comment" section.

MAYOR:

The Mayor announced that the Pledge of Allegiance would be recited at the opening of Council Meetings. He said that Law Enforcement negotiations with Big Horn County were proceeding, expecting a two year agreement with a slight cost increase.

Angevine asked about union negotiations. The Mayor said there was an outline for an agreement. Snively indicated it would go to the employees first for their approval, before being submitted for Council approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

Rose Mercier asked for permission to have the 200 block of North Center blocked off for a 4th of July parade and vendors. She will ask the State for permission to close the rest of North Center along the parade route. Wemple made the motion to approve the street closure. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works:

Dill noted that a tree in front of First Interstate Bank had caused heaving of the concrete, causing injury to a patron. Holly Higgins, First Interstate Bank, indicated the bank did not want anyone else to get hurt. There is another tree close by, and after discussing with Dill, believes removal is the best option. Wemple asked about shrubbery for a replacement. Dill has a contact in Dillon that will be able to make recommendations. Kepp made the motion to remove the tree. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The work in SID 120 to be done by Feller Construction that was approved at the October 7, 2014 meeting had been completed and the invoice was authorized for payment.

Finance: (11110)

Budget meetings were set for the week of the June 15.

Economic Development:

Kepp nominated Russell Dill to serve on the TRA board. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Kepp said he would be interested in serving on the three person committee proposed by TRA. Angevine will consider it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landfill/Resolution:

Wemple made the motion to award the stockpiling bid to Barnes Reeves. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Wemple made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Two Rivers Authority. Kautzman seconded. Greer noted the cost for two mills would be approximately \$5600. On a voice vote, the motion was approved. (5/1) Molina dissent.

Wemple asked about certain exemptions for the proposed door to door ordinance. i.e. locals or minors doing lawn mowing, snow shoveling. Snively noted the difficulty as companies may hire minors, but will try to find language that would be suitable.

Streets and Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman said that the Heimat Park restroom project is being worked and potholes were being fixed. Dill gave an update on the Welcome signs. He is working on easements and sign concepts.

Sewer and Water

Finance

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

	CLAIM No.		Monthly Total
April, 2015	18969 - 18973 19004 - 19051	\$	44,330.16
May, 2015	18974 - 19003	S	4,016.49
Claims Total (Expenditures)		S	48,346.65
April, 2015 Payroll		\$	103,357.51
TOTAL Subm	itted	S	151,704.16

Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2069: Establishing Wage (J. Gust)

Wemple made the motion to approve. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be a City-County Planning Board Public Hearing on May 11 at 7:00 p.m. Alley cleanup is starting on May 11.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greer seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerl



<u>COUNCIL MEETING:</u> The Regular Council Meeting for May 19, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, City Judge Debbie Winburn, and City Secretary Arlee Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kepp made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the May 4, 2015 Law Enforcement meeting, and the May 5, 2014 Council meeting, Resolution and Ordinance, and Landfill committee meetings. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Mayor Lane stated items included in the packet were the annual drinking water report, a Governmental Finance Officers Association newsletter, and minutes from the City-County Planning Board. Kautzman commended the employees on the water report.

MAYOR: Mayor Lane reported the City had been in contact with the County and was working on a law enforcement agreement. The City was also still working with the Teamsters Union on contract negotiations.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: Shirley Margheim and Dorothy Stenerson requested funding from the City for Port-a-potties for Little Big Horn Days, Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Greer Seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved. Wemple made a motion to close the 200 Block of Center Avenue and provide signs for the parades for Little Big Horn Days Friday and Saturday as needed. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Wemple made a motion to allow open containers on the street for the street dance within a roped area on Saturday night. Seconded by Greer. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Terry Jeffers requested permission from the City to waive fees to the Jailhouse Gallery to use from the vendors. Kautzman seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Wemple made a motion to approve the City-County Planning Board's recommendation to approve rezoning lots along North Crawford from Industrial to Highway Commercial. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Snively indicated that the lots behind these lots would need to come back to Council if they wished to change their current Residential Zoning.

STAFF REPORTS

• **Public Works**: Dill reported Welcome sign concepts were discussed at the committee meeting. He will email Sign Pro the ideas wanted on signs.

Dill also reported Melville Ready Mix was given the notice to proceed on the Heimat Park Sidewalks. The project would begin next week. Heimat park restrooms have also been put out for bids. Council agreed they would like to see a urinal in the men's restroom and another toilet in the women's restroom. Dill would reference the necessary specifications.

Dill requested permission to work with Kelly Zier on hanging a Retro-Reboot banner on the 200 block of Center Avenue on September 12. Kepp made a motion to approve. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.



Finance: Dyckman thanked Council for allowing herself and Schneider to attend the Clerks institute in Billings during the week on May 3rd.

Dyckman reported she was in the process of working on budget amendments, gave a report on maxing out the mill levies for the Law Enforcement agreement, and gave an election timeline report. Angevine asked for the Impact fees paid by Rocky Mountain Power.

Legal: Snively reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding with Two Rivers . Authority (TRA) and advised the City to be aware that the agreement could not be terminated early without consent from TRA. After discussing, the Mayor appointed a committee (Kepp, Angevine, and Kautzman) to meet and clarify the agreement with TRA.

Snively presented a draft agreement to resolve the pending litigations with Tammy Devers concerning her residence at 3rd and Cody. Angevine made a motion to approve the agreement. Seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Snively reported MMIA has provided legal counsel for the City in the unfair labor practice complaint.

Economic Development: Mayor Lane reported the new Shopko is going according to schedule.

A special board has been established to meet with TRA to get economic development back on track.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: N/A
- Streets & Alleys: N/A
- Sewer & Water: N/A
- Finance:

	CLAIM No.	Total
April, 2015	19053 - 19064	\$20,598.68
January, 2015	19052, 19065 - 19074	\$67,404.11

TOTAL Submitted

\$88,002.79

Monthly

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Parks & Playgrounds: N/A •

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Greer made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-03 regarding Door-to-Door Solicitation. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Mayor announced the deadline for candidates to file at the Courthouse is July 2 at 5:00 p.m., Budget Meetings will be held the week of June 15, the Hardin Airport grand opening will be held on June 27th from 7:00-10:00 a.m. A public hearing for the Second reading of Ordinance 2015-03 will be June 2nd at 7:15 p.m.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greer seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor



Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING: The Public Hearing for Ordinance 2015-03 Door to Door Solicitation was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Lane.

Also present at the hearing were: Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple. Karen Molina was excused. City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer Michelle Dyckman, City Secretary Arlee Schneider, City Judge Deb Winburn were also present.

Cory Kenney expressed his concern of the Ordinance not being enforced. Mayor Lane stated he liked being able to monitor who is soliciting in town.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: The Regular Council Meeting for June 2, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m.with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple. Karen Molina was excused.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, City Judge Debbie Winburn, and City Secretary Arlee Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Greer made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the May 19, 2015 Council meeting, and Streets and Alleys meeting and the May 27, 2015 Economic Development meeting. Motion seconded by Wemple . On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Cory Kenney expressed his concerns on the options of the Welcome to Hardin signs.

Laurie Tschetter expressed her concerns with the "creek" in Grandview. She also noted her frustration with her attempt to get on the Agenda for the previous Council meeting.

Amy Braach-Hart voiced her concerns with the water issues from the previous nights storm.

Kepp stated the City has tremendously improved the sewer system and are continuing to improve the system.

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR: Mayor Lane commended the City crew for their hard work throughout the night working on issues from the storm.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Solo Graphics presented their proposed sign ideas for Chalk Butte Tire Service. Greer made a motion to approve the proposed signs as long as they stick to the guidelines. Seconded by Wemple . On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

• **Public Works**: Dill noted that last night's severe storms saw many streets flooded, causing infiltration into the sanitary sewer. The wastewater treatment plant handled the overload by bypassing the excess into the lagoon system.

Dill reported on the hail damage roofing project. The bids came in over the original estimates and have been submitted to MMIA. MMIA will be here to reassess the damages on June 9th.



Monthly

- Finance: Dyckman reported proposed budget amendments were presented at the Finance committee meeting, and budget meetings would be held June 17th and 18th.
- Legal:
- Economic Development:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance: Wemple made a motion to get the landfill equipment from RDO to stockpile cover material. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.
- **Streets & Alleys:** Kautzman reported the garbage cans at Hardin Express Center are full. Dill will look into and find a solution.

Dill reported the Storm Drains on Railroad Street are scheduled to be cleaned at the end of the week.

Sewer & Water:

Claims Total

Finance:

	CLAIM No.	Total
May, 2015	19075-19124, 19150	\$45,826.27
June, 2015	19125-19149	\$3,335.00

Claims Total	
(Expenditures)	\$49,161.27
May, 2015 Payroll	\$109,413.25
TOTAL Submitted	\$158,574.52
Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. M	otion seconded by Wemple. On a

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Parks & Playgrounds:

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Wemple made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2015-03 regarding Door-to-Door Solicitation. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Mayor announced there would be a Law Enforcement Meeting June 4th at 11:00 a.m. at the Courthouse. Little Big Horn Days will be held June 24th-28th, HRDC would host Play Day at the Zoo on June 18th from 4:00p.m.-8:00 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held June 16th at 7:00 p.m. for Budget Amendments, and Budget meetings will be held June 17th and 18th at 6:00 p.m.

Wemple made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32

p.m. Jack Lane, Mayor ATTEST: Remark Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk 2 of 2

<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: The Regular Council Meeting for June 16, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following Aldermen were present: Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, and Jerry Wemple. Randy Angevine was excused.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Superintendent of Public Works Russell Dill, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, City Judge Debbie Winburn, and City Secretary Arlee Schneider, Landfill Supervisor Chris Schneider and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes as written from the June 2, 2015 Council meeting, Landfill and Finance meetings and the June 4, 2015 Law Enforcement meeting. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Cory Kenney expressed his concerns about the judge appointment on the agenda not listing a name.

Judy Eidem expressed her concerns regarding the administration in City Hall.

Steve O'Neil, Laurie Tschetter, Melanie Shull, Shelly Ralston, and Mike and Debbie Gust all expressed their frustration regarding the recent flooding and sewer backup.

Mike Martinsen reported he had attended the previous night's Study Commission meeting and strongly feels everyone needs to review the surveys that were turned in, expressed his feelings on everyone working together, and questioned who would be the new City Judge.

Bob Runge stated his opinion on the problems from recent flooding and the unnecessary need for the new judge appointment.

Rob Bryson questioned if the City had pumps that were rented, why were they not used during the flooding?

Larry Vandersloot questioned if there had been any pumping done the night of the flooding and gave his opinion on doing whatever was possible to put the citizens first.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Mayor Lane stated items included in the packet was the acceptance by the State Department of Administration to the City's response to the fiscal year 2014 audit report, and information on the Montana Main Street program.

MAYOR:

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Tony Maxwell expressed his feelings about the June 1st storm and presented his proposed plan to help disperse some of the storm water in an emergency situation. Mayor Lane asked if he would be willing to further help the water and sewer committee in implementing a plan, Maxwell stated yes.

Laurie Tschetter expressed her concerns regarding the request for tax relief, community decay, putting Arrowhead Trailer Park on individual meters, law enforcement, the proposed judge appointment, the Main Street Program, the age for trailer houses to be brought into City limits, and lighting districts.

Mayor Lane requested Council's support in appointing Jim Seykora as the new City Judge. Greer made a motion to support the nomination. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was approved 3/2. Wemple and Molina voting nay.

Snively reported the negotiations for the union contract were still being discussed. Once complete, the contract would be brought to the employees for approval, then to Council.

Mayor Lane requested Council's support in appointing Mary Slattery as the contact person for Montana Main Street. Greer made a motion to support the nomination. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS



- **Public Works**: Dill requested permission to remove a tree in front of First Interstate Bank. Kepp made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The tree would eventually be replaced.
- Finance: Dyckman handed out May financials and announced Budget meetings for Wednesday and Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
- Legal:

• Economic Development:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Landfill/Resolution & Ordinance:
- Streets & Alleys/ Parks & Playgrounds: Kautzman made a motion to award the Heimat Park Project bid to Morgan Contractors for \$154,000. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.
- Sewer & Water: Kepp thanked Tony Maxwell for all of his suggestions to help prevent flooding. There was a brief discussion about holding a Sewer and Water Committee meeting on July 7th but Kepp stated he would be out of town. Larry Vandersloot, once again, questioned if any pumping had been done the night of the storm. Steve O'Neil repeated the question to which Dill stated no.
- Finance/Law Enforcement: Snively and the Mayor would meet with the Commissioners and sheriff to discuss the Law Enforcement agreement coverage until after the July 7th Council meeting.

Dyckman presented the claims;

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May, 2015	19151, 19154-19166 19168-19171	
	19174-19179, 19191	\$33,054.75
June, 2015	19152, 19153 19167, 19172, 19173 19180-19190 19192-19197	\$377,524.71
Claims Total (Expenditures)		\$410,579.46
JV1897 & 1898		\$34,531.62
TOTAL Submitted		\$445,111.08

Wemple made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Greer made a motion to approve Resolution 2070 regarding Establishing Fees for the Door-to-Door Solicitation Ordinance. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Mayor announced HRDC would host Play Day at the Zoo on June 18th from 4:00p.m.-8:00 p.m., a Public Hearing for the Budget will be held June 30th at 5:15 p.m. and a Special Meeting at 5:30 p.m. or as soon as thereafter the Public Hearing is concluded, filing deadlines for candidates is July 2nd at 5:00 p.m., and a distracted driving course would be held July 11th from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the South Park Skating rink.

Kepp made an	motion to actourn the meeting.	The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.
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PUBLIC HEARING: The Public Hearing for the Amendments to the Budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year was opened at 5:25 p.m. by Mayor Jack Lane.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, and Randy Angevine.

Also present were Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, and Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill.

Dyckman reviewed the proposed amendments. Angevine asked about the Tax Increment District. Rocky Mountain Power's taxes had not been paid yet, and the valuation of the electrical generation facility now includes a reduced tax rate for qualifying pollution control equipment.

The Public Hearing concluded at 5:29 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Special Council Meeting for June 30, 2015 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Harry Kautzman, and Randy Angevine. Jerry Wemple was excused.

Also present were Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, and Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill.

The Special Meeting is for the purpose of Amendments to the Budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

RESOLUTION 2071: Amending the Budget for the City of Hardin, Montana for Fiscal Year 2014-2015

Angevine made the motion to approve. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

chillo Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



Streets and Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman made a motion to raise the Chip-seal project budget to \$250,000. It was seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

	CLAIM No.		Monthly Total
June, 2015	19198 - 19249 19273 - 19280	S	119,991.13
July, 2015	19250 - 19272	S	2,070.00
Claims Total (Expenditures)		S	122,061.13
TOTAL Subm	nitted	S	122,061.13

Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

A Budget Meeting was set for Wednesday, July 15 at 6:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

On Saturday, July 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. there will be a Community Health Fair at the skating rink at South Park.

Wemple made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for July 7, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Randy Angevine and Jerry Wemple. Clayton Greer and Kenny Kepp were absent.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Wemple made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the June 16 - June 30 Council and Committee meetings. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cory Kenney stated that he did not see the notice for the June 23 Water and Sewer Committee meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Letters or reports from Montana Municipal Interlocal Authority, Montana Community Foundation, and Intermountain Energy Summit were in with the meeting information.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works:

Dill presented a Professional Services Agreement with Stahly Engineering & Associates for storm drain and flood mitigation in the amount of \$20,000. Wemple made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill also stated the walk-through for the Heimat Park sidewalk project would be on July 9. It will be two to four weeks before going out to bid for the "Welcome to Hardin" signs project and specifications for a garbage truck are being reviewed before going out to bid.

Finance/Administration:

Dyckman reported the following filed as candidates:Ward 1Jerry Wemple and Jeremy KrebsWard 2Randy Angevine and Darren ZentWard 3 (four year term)Kenny Kepp and Debbie Winburn
Harry Kautzman

Legal:

The Law Enforcement Agreement was discussed. Wemple stated that the year to year contract costs more every year. It was noted that medications cost more than what we give. The Mayor indicated that the additional \$25,000 is a portion of the increased costs of Law Enforcement. Wemple said that the County charges each city taxpayer and the City also pays. Dyckman noted that the City's taxes levied raised about \$466,000. The County requested \$450,000 this year and an additional \$25,000 the following year. Snively will go back to the County Commissioners with the City's concerns.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Department:

The Mayor indicated the County would support the Fire Department's application to the Coal Board for SCBA's.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for July 21, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Randy Angevine, Jerry Wemple, Clayton Greer and Kenny Kepp. Harry Kautzman was absent.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Molina made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the July 7 and 15 Council and Committee meetings. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Theresa and Bill Hert said there was confusion on whether the Janitorial bid was to be awarded in two parts or one.

Cory Kenney commented on how he thinks the Mayor does not allow public comment throughout Council meetings.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The National Park Service had information for the Little Big Horn Battlefield Management Plan.

OLD BUSINESS:

The County's request of an additional \$25,000 for each of the next two years was debated. Discussion was opened up to the audience. Steve Hopes did not think that City residents should pay for it. Greer made a motion to offer the County the current amount of \$425,000 for one year. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was approved. (4/0, Molina abstained.)

Kepp reported that a meeting was held with Two Rivers Trade Port Authority earlier to discuss a Memorandum of Understanding. There will be another meeting at TRA's next meeting on August 3 at 5:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Agreement between the City of Hardin and Teamsters Union Local 190 was presented. Steve Hopes noted his concerns with the employees' vote. Snively cautioned that the Agreement is between the City and the Union. The employees and the State recognized the Teamsters as the unit to negotiate with the City. Angevine made the motion to approve the Agreement. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was approved. (3/2, Molina, Greer and Angevine in favor and Kepp and Wemple against.)

JoAnn Feger asked about redistributing some of the flower pots. Dill will see that gets done.

The bids for Janitorial Services were discussed. Since there was confusion whether about the bid, Snively recommended rebidding. Kepp made a motion to bid Janitorial Services as one contract. It was seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill asked to do a Request for Professional Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering services. There will be water main extensions for Watson Drive and 5th Street, and grit and grease issues at the Wastewater plant that will need these services. Kepp made the motion. It was seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

YCI's contract with City is up for renewal. They are offering \$40 per ton for scrap. Wemple made the motion to extend the contract for one year. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works:

The starter on a pump at the Water Treatment Plant needs to be replaced at an estimated cost of \$11,000. Kepp made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Pay Application #1 to Melville Ready Mix for \$23,664 for Sidewalks at Heimat Park was presented. Dill noted there was one item left on the punch list to complete. Kepp made the motion to approve upon completion. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

A motion for approval for the Notice of Award for hail damage repair to Ace Roofing in the amount of \$159,898 was made by Kepp. It was seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The claim is being coordinated with MMIA (Montana Municipal Interlocal Authority).

Dill is advertising an Invitation to Bid for a new garbage truck. It closes on August 6. The coal burning furnace will be installed in 2-4 weeks at the landfill.

Finance/Administration:

Dyckman requested that the City contract with Ken Stucker for an OPEB analysis for \$150. It is need for financial reporting. Greer made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Rates for Life/AD&D coverage increased from \$5.80 per month to \$9.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets and Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Kepp complimented Steve Hopes on how nice the parks look. Dill will review the gravel pad prep area before going to a Notice to Proceed for the Heimat Park Restroom.

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
June, 2015	19281 - 19300 19311, 19313, 19314	\$ 74,618.64
July, 2015	19301 - 19310 19312	\$ 12,710.78
Claims Total	(Expenditures)	\$ 87,329.42
TOTAL Sub	mitted	\$ 87,329.42

Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS and ORDINANCES:

Resolution 2072: Wages for Newly Hired City Employees

Angevine asked if the Judge would be working a 40 hour week. Snively stated that according to the Department of Labor rules, a salaried employee is not required to punch in and out; otherwise he could be subject to hourly rules and eligible for overtime. Salaried employees do not receive overtime compensation. The judge is a unique appointment in that only the Supreme Court can remove a judge. When a judge's term is up, it is up to the Mayor with the approval of Council to appoint a judge. Angevine indicated he had no problem with the wage, but wanted clarification on the work terms. Molina asked if the rate was for the term or if there would be annual raises.

Greer made a motion to approve the annual wage for James E. Seykora to be \$46,072. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was defeated 2/3. (Kepp and Greer for, and Wemple, Molina and Angevine against.)

Further discussion was on hourly vs. salary. Deb Winburn stated that in mid-2012, she went to salary. She had started at 20 hours per week (hourly) and went to 30 hours per week before being placed on salary.

Greer made a motion to approve the remaining four employees on Resolution 2072 (Waylon Barnes II, Robert Kirschenmann, Aaron Baker, and Dean Baker). Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kepp made a motion to have the Judge fill out a time sheet. There was no second. Wemple offered to have the position at \$25.00 hourly, plus overtime if needed. It was also noted that the call-out minimum of one hour at 1.5 times the hourly rate would also apply. Kepp asked to see if he would work for so much per hour. Wemple indicated that this is as close as the Council will come to negotiating. The Mayor asked if Council wants to do an hourly wage. The consensus answer was "yes".

Resolution 2073: Amend Resolution 979 (Capital Improvement Fund)

Kepp made a motion to approve the resolution. Angevine seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution 2074: Wages for Certain City Employees for FY 2105-2016

This resolution establishes wage rate for union employees. Angevine made the motion to approve. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be a Public Hearing for Street Maintenance on August 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The Home Center in Billings will have a grand opening from 4-6 p.m. on July 29. They provide services in housing counseling and education.

Wemple made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kepp seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Lang Jack Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: The Public Hearing for the Street Maintenance District, and Street Maintenance levies and assessments for the *2015-2016* fiscal year was opened at 7:18 p.m. by Mayor Lane.

Present at the Hearing were:

Aldermen: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Jerry Wemple, Clayton Greer and Kenny Kepp. City Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, and Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill. Several members of the public were also present.

Dyckman indicated that the levies and assessments would be the same as last year, except for correction and annexations to the City. Amber Yochum noted that last year she saw an increase and also asked about the bridge replacement. It is damaging the road. Jr. Molina said that construction would start on Monday, August 10. Yochum also asked about looking into doing assessments by frontage instead of acreage. The Mayor said the fairest system seems to be the square foot (*acreage*) method.

Laurie Tschetter brought up the flooding last spring. The Mayor asked her to refer to the topic of the Public Hearing, agreeing the storm was not fair or equitable. Kautzman said the ditch was there before her grandfather bought the property. Greer added that most of the water was county water. Dyckman said the storm drainage was a separate infrastructure than the streets.

Cory Kenney noted that the square footage was obtained from county records. What about the linear? Further discussion revealed that corner lots would have more linear feet and culde-sacs would have less. The Mayor said that could be something to look at for the future.

Yochum asked about benefits. Dill responded in addition to regular maintenance, there is a chip seal project planned for this year. The current budget for that is \$250,000. The reconstruction of the High School street will be a joint effort between the County, City, and the School District. They will be applying for a Coal Board grant to help with the estimated cost of \$424,000.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for August 4, 2015 was called to order at 7:52 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Jerry Wemple, Clayton Greer and Kenny Kepp. Randy Angevine was absent.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kepp made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the July 21 Council and Economic Committee meetings. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bill Hodges of the Big Horn Hospital Association announced there would be a Farmers Market at the Plaza starting on Thursday, August 13 from 6-8 p.m. He also stated they are working on updating emergency response notifications.

Cory Kenney asked about the City Court personnel. Mayor Lane noted there is a protem, like the previous judge had a pro-tem. The City Court has initiated a Community Service program.

Judy Eidem commented on the state of affairs in the City.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

The City Court has established a Community Service program.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Dill asked Council if they would donate the cost of porta-potties for the Farmers' Market on Thursday evenings for 4 weeks. Kepp noted this could come from the Council's budget. He made the motion to spend no more than \$1,000 for the porta-potties. It was seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Wemple made a motion to close the street on the 200 Block of North Center for the Farmers' Market on Thursday nights. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Molina made a motion to do a baseline audit of the City Court. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Permission to close the street on the 200 block of North Center for the Duck Derby that is being held on August 7 was requested. Kautzman made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Extreme Days, a fund raising event for the Volunteer Fire Department, uses approximately 75,000 of water. Snively noted the donation would need to be made from the City to the Fire Department. The Water Fund's Revenue Bond requires that all services will be paid for. Greer made the motion to approve the donation. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion passed. (Wemple abstained)

STAFF REPORTS Public Works:

Pay Application #1 to Morgan Contractors for \$8,229.37 for start-up requirements for the Heimat Park Restroom Project was presented. Kautzman made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance/Administration:

A Primary will not be needed for the Municipal elections this year. Kautzman made the motion to approve using mail ballots. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Legal:

Snively reported that the Judge had dismissed the Concerned Taxpayer case on July 21, 2015.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets and Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman asked Dill to review the property at 502 West Second owned by Alex Uffelman for curb and gutter repairs. Dill has a meeting tomorrow with Melville Ready Mix to do that and is working with Stahly Engineering on the storm drains.

Kautzman made a motion to combine the two business lighting districts into one. It was seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Kautzman also requested what it would take to look into doing assessment by linear for next year and to see what other cities do.

Kautzman made a motion to approve hiring an additional laborer. It was seconded by Molina. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance:

	CLAIM No.		Monthly Total
June, 2015	19332, 19402	\$	1,637.02
July, 2015	19315 - 19331		
	19333 - 19356		
	19382 - 19401, 19403	S	128,163.46
August, 2015	19357 - 19381	S	3,335.00
Claims Total (Expenditures)		S	133,135.48
June, 2015 Payro	oll	S	168,633.79
TOTAL Submi	itted	S	301,769.27

Kautzman made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kepp made a motion to invest no more than \$150,000 in a five year Certificate of Deposit at 2.1% at First Interstate Bank. It was seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS and ORDINANCES:

Resolution 2075: Assessing the cost of Street Maintenance in Street Maintenance District Number 1 for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Kautzman made a motion to approve the resolution. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The first Thursday night Farmers' Market will be on August 13 on the 200 block of North Center.

The Duck Derby will held Friday, August 7 on the 200 block of North Center. Extreme Days will be Saturday, August 8.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wemple seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Lane

Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for August 18, 2015 was called to order at 7:36 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Randy Angevine, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer and Kenny Kepp. Jerry Wemple was absent.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kepp made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the August 3 and 4 Council and Committee meetings. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cory Kenney commented on the lighting districts.

Bill Hodges noted that the River Valley Farmers Market had a good turnout and will continue for the next three Thursdays.

Judy Eidem commented on the administration in the City.

OLD BUSINESS:

The proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Two Rivers Trade Port Authority (TRA) was discussed. Snively pointed out that the resolution that created TRA gave them the powers requested in the MOU. There is \$31,000 budgeted for a contribution to TRA. Council would like to review the resolution at the Budget meeting on August 25. Angevine made a motion to move forward with a letter of support, attaching the resolution. It was seconded by Molina. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kautzman noted that the City intends to go from three lighting districts to two: one residential and one commercial. Amending the boundaries will also add areas currently being served, but not assessed. He made the motion to approve Resolution 2077 of the "Intent to Create a New Lighting District for the City of Hardin to be Known as Lighting District #1 which Combines Lighting Districts #33 and #46." It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. A Public Hearing was set for September 15 at 7:00 p.m. Angevine asked about looking at LED lights for the future.

Big Horn County is asking for an additional \$25,000 for the Law Enforcement Agreement. The additional may need to come from Capital Improvement funding for the fire truck. Greer asked about going to a vote of the people. Snively said that would need to be brought before the commissioners in February or March for next year's ballot. Angevine made a motion to do a Letter of Agreement for one year. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Terry Jeffers of the Jailhouse Gallery thanked the City for their support of the Duck Derby.

Thor Torske of the Hospital Association did a presentation on a proposed campus expansion consisting of three phases. Kautzman objected to the hospital requesting more of the park. Torske continued the presentation, noting that the cost for a 20,000 square foot steel building was estimated at under \$3,000,000.

Dill had estimates for plumbing and electrical site preparation costs for the Heimat Park project for \$7,400 from 4 Seasons Plumbing and \$715 from Mason Electric. Kepp made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was approved. (4/0, Greer abstain) The street in front of the Hardin High School needs to be replaced. A Coal Board Grant application has been submitted. The County has donated the use of the grant writer and the school will also be asked to contribute. Greg Benjamin of Stahly Engineering explained the proposed \$434,182.10 project. A \$50,000 match from the City could be allocated from revenues received from Gas Tax Apportionment. Kautzman made the motion to approve the \$50,000 match. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works:

Dill recommended that the installation of the back flow preventer on the hill be awarded to 4 Season's Plumbing for \$7,900. It was noted that Alpine Plumbing submitted a proposal for \$12,500. Kepp made the motion to approve 4 Seasons. It was seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was approved. (4/0, Greer abstain)

Montana Peterbilt submitted a bid for a garbage truck for \$317,000. The 2009 garbage truck could be traded in for \$9500. It was decided to keep that for a couple of years. Kepp made the motion to award the contract to Montana Peterbilt. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Riverside submitted a bid for the Chip Seal project for \$218,308. Kepp made the motion to award the contract to Riverside. It was seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance/Administration:

Tripp and Associates will do the audit this year. This is the last year of a three year contract.

The Certified Taxable Values and Authorized Levies were reviewed.

A Voluntary Notice was posted to the EMMA (Electronic Municipal Market Access) regarding the Tax Increment Revenue Bonds.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landfill and Resolution:

Angevine made the motion to approve Resolution 2076 Establishing the Wage for a Newly Hired City Employee. It was seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Sewer and Water:

Kepp said that the City will look into having storm drains cleaned and televised.

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
June, 2015	19404, 19405	\$ 882.04
July, 2015	19406	
	19409 - 19423	
	19429, 19430	\$ 28,143.41
August, 2015	19407, 19408	
	19424 - 19428	\$ 15,143.50
Claims Total (Expenditures)		\$ 44,168.95
July, 2015 Payro	511	\$ 102,578.48
TOTAL Submitted		\$ 146.747.43

Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Angevine made a motion to approve wages for certain non-union personnel at 5% excluding the Judge, who took office on July 1. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be a Budget Meeting on August 25 at 6:00 p.m.

There will be Public Hearings on September 1 at 7:00 p.m. concerning budget adoption, and setting levies and assessments.

There will be a Public Hearing on September 15 at 7:00 p.m. about the intent to create Light District #1 and setting levies and assessments for it.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



<u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> The Public Hearings concerning the final adoption of the budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, and setting levies and assessments was opened at 7:15 p.m. by Mayor Lane.

Present at the Hearing were:

Aldermen: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Jerry Wemple, Clayton Greer, Randy Angevine and Kenny Kepp.

Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, and Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill. Several members of the public were also present.

Delmar Morrison and Larry Kiefer commented on the hospital's proposal to get park land for a project expansion. Dyckman gave a recap of the proposed levies and assessments. Cory Kenney asked about a lighting district in the Industrial Park. Snively noted it could be done if there was enough support. Laurie Tschetter asked about Northwestern Energy's rates. Snively noted their rates are approved by the Public Service Commission. Cory Kenney indicated that an individual could get a light for \$9.00 and the City was paying \$18.00. Snively noted there are contractual obligations. Tschetter wondered about getting CenturyLink to improve the internet and getting the water deposit increased.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for September 1, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Randy Angevine, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the August 18 and 25 Council and Committee meetings. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cory Kenney commented on the liquor license for Shopko and the proposed resolution for Uffelman (Resolution 2085).

COMMUNICATIONS:

A Draft Report of the Designated Impact Area was received from the Montana Coal Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Molina made the motion to award the janitorial bid to Git Er Dun Errand Service for \$848.00 per month. It was seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Josh Watson asked for a variance for a proposed addition to his home. It would be within three feet of the property line. The adjoining property is commercial use. Kautzman made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Wemple. Kautzman amended the motion to be contingent on approval of the adjoining property owner. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Watson was directed to bring in the written documentation to City Hall. Joint Powers Trust (JPT) is partnering with It Starts With Me Health to offer biometric screening. A group could be eligible to receive a 2% "buy-down" with at least a 50% participation rate (covered employees and spouses). Kautzman wondered about passing on the 2% if there was not enough participation.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works:

Dill reported that the parks, water treatment plant and intake building had been reroofed. Ace Roofing indicated they could be done in a month. Kautzman made the motion to approve the pay application to Ace Roofing in the amount of \$61,669.53. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kautzman made the motion to approve the pay application to Morgan Contractors in the amount of \$19,938.60 for the Heimat Park project. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill requested approval to proceed with Uffelman's sidewalk, curb, gutter and catch basin drainage in the amount of \$11,227. Kautzman made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill and Angevine have met about Safety policies and programs and have come up with additional or modified policies and forms, etc. Angevine made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The chip deal project was completed and a walk-thru is planned for Friday.

Pace Inc. submitted a proposal for cleaning and televising about 1540 feet of storm drains for \$32,500. Kautzman made the motion to approve. It was seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. It was noted there is a company that needs to be made aware that a bio-sock will help keep unwanted debris out of the system.

Legal:

Dorsey & Whitney has disclosed that they represent U.S. Bank on unrelated matters. Kepp made a motion to approve a Conflict Waiver between the City of Hardin and U.S. Bank. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Shopko has submitted an application for one new Montana Off-Premises Consumption of Beer and Wine license. If anyone has concerns, Snively has until September 20 to advise the Department of Revenue.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

	CLAIM No.	Mor	thly Total
June, 2015	19431, 19515	\$	13,432.48
July, 2015	19443 - 19446, 19454		
	19454, 19514	\$	8,008.87
August, 2015	19432 - 19442, 19447 - 19453		
	1 9455 - 1 948 1		
	19508 - 19510, 19512, 19513	\$	133,147.18
September, 2015	19482 - 19507, 19511	\$	657,135.00
Claims Total (Exp	enditures)	\$	811,723.53

Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 2078: Assessing the Cost of Maintaining Lighting District 54
- 2079: Assessing the Cost of Garbage Disposal
- 2080: Fixing the Amount of Taxes to be Levied on Taxable Property for the Fiscal Year and Apportioning Said Levy
- 2081: Approving and Adopting the Budget for the City of Hardin for Fiscal year 2015-2016
- 2082: Approve Assessments being place on the Real Property Tax Rolls as a Special Assessment
- 2083: Intention to Increase Rates and Charges for the Water and Sewer Systems
- 2084: Establishing Wages for non-union Employees
- 2085: Ordering the Installment of sidewalks, Drive Approaches and appurtenant facilities at 502 West Second Street

Resolution 2083 was amended to make the effective date November 15

Resolution 2085 was amended to reduce the estimated cost from \$5,180 to \$2,180 for the property owner and to have the City be responsible for the driveway approach.

Kautzman made the motion to approve the Resolutions as amended. It was seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Montana League of Cities and Towns will have a Conference in Bozeman on October 7, 8 and 9.

There will be a Public Hearing on September 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. for the Creation of Lighting District #1 and levies and assessments.

On September 17 there will be a Singspiration in the Plaza.

There will be a Public Hearing on October 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to Increase Water and Sewer User Charges by 1%.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Greer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



PUBLIC HEARING: The Public Hearing for creating proposed Lighting District #1 by combining former Districts #33 and #46 and setting levies and assessments was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Alderman Kenny Kepp.

Present at the Hearing were:

Aldermen: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Jerry Wemple, Clayton Greer, and Kenny Kepp. Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively and Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman. Several members of the public were also present.

Cory Kenney asked about the rate going down. Dyckman responded over 800,000 square feet were also added. They had been missed in previous years, but had been benefitting from the lights.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for September 15, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Kenny Kepp presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp and Jerry Wemple. Mayor Lane was absent and Kenny Kepp acted as the presiding officer.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill (at 7:38), and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Wemple made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the September 1 Council and Committee meetings. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Laurie Tschetter commented on garbage pickup.

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

STAFF REPORTS

Finance:

Kautzman made a motion to approve the Pledge Report for June 30, 2015. It was seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

A memo from the Department of Revenue hoping to see legislative action for accounting in the Firefighters' Disability and Pension Fund was presented.

Economic Development:

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Jeff McDowell stated he was monitoring for a Tiger Grant and gave updates on new businesses and the Detention Facility. SEFICIAL

Public Works:

Dill requested permission to close the 200 block of North Center for Praise in the Park on September 19. Wemple made the motion. It was seconded by Molina. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The streets will be swept about the week of October 5 to pick up loose gravel after the chip seal project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman reported that the Heimat Park Restroom project was progressing and needed to get the sewer line hooked up.

Finance:

Kautzman made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
August, 2015	19516 - 19547	\$ 47,055.99
September, 2015	19548, 19549	\$ 8,087.90
Claims Total (Exper	nditures)	\$ 55,143.89

Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS:

2086: Amend Resolution 2075 Street Maintenance Assessments

Wemple made the motion to approve. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

2087: Create Lighting District #1

Kautzman made the motion to approve. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

2088: Lighting District #1 Assessments

Kautzman made the motion to approve. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be a Public Hearing on October 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. about the proposal to Increase Water and Sewer User Charges by 1%.

On September 19 there will be a Praise in the Park event.

There will be a Pipeline workshop on September 28 at 5:30 in the Chamber of Commerce meeting room.

Montana League of Cities and Towns will have a Conference in Bozeman on October 7, 8 and 9.

Wemple made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michelle Dyckman, City



<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: The Public Hearing to Increase Rates and Charges for the Users of the Water and Sewer Systems was opened at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Jack Lane.

Present at the Hearing were:

Aldermen: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Jerry Wemple, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp and Randy Angevine (about 7:20).

Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman. Several members of the public were also present.

Laurie Tschetter asked about raising the deposit. Kautzman had talked to the Billing Clerk, Kristi Wedel, and the indication was that the deposit was adequate. Greer noted that the landlord has no control over the water bill. Cory Kenney said the flip side was the deposit could be too high for renters. Delmar Morrison added that a tenant could be evicted if there was a delinquency.

Greer noted from the one written comment received that the \$5.00 sump fee was minimal and asked if Council wanted to review it. Cory Kenney noted that infiltration could come from various sources.

Laurie Tschetter asked about reserves. Dyckman indicated that throughout the Budget and CIP (Capital Improvement Program) process, it was indicated that the reserves were not enough to meet the need improvements. Molina and Lane had both talked to people who understood the need for a 1% increase.

Kenney asked about fluoride. It is being researched as to how the City implemented it and what needs to be done if the City decides to change.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for October 6, 2015 was called to order at 7:34 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Greer made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the September 15 Council meeting. Motion seconded by Kautzman. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cory Kenney noted that the Plaza was up for sale and felt the City should maintain it as a park. Laurie Tschetter noted that the area previously served by Brennan Park was underserved.

Delmar Morrison asked what could be done about the bigger helicopter coming in at the hospital. He also asked for the street that was closed between the hospital and clinic be opened up because cars were going down Division like it was a race track. Installing speed bumps would impede emergency and law enforcement services.

Tschetter asked about a noise ordinance, particularly as it relates to the loud brakes that semis use. Larry Kiefer talked about barking dogs; with Morrison noting dogs being chained up. He added that his property was being used as a road.

MAYOR:

The Mayor thanked Kepp for presiding over the previous meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jeremy Krebs gave an update on the re-installation of some holes at the disc golf course and thanked those who helped make it happen. He noted he was given permission to spend up to \$500 and the bill came in at \$71.25.

Harold C. Yerger asked for a one year extension for the final plat application. Angevine made the motion to approve. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Rose Mercier asked permission to close the 200 block of North Center for a parade on October 30 from about 4 to 6:00 p.m. Wemple made the motion to approve. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works:

Dill recommended the approval of Pay application #2 to Ace Roofing for \$56,761.06. Kepp made the motion to approve. Angevine seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kautzman made to motion to approve Pay application #3 to Morgan Contractors for \$9,252.64. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill reported that Stahly Engineering ranked highest on the Request for Qualifications process. Greer made the motion to authorize contract negotiations with Stahly. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance:

Kepp made a motion to approve the Records Disposal or Transfer Request. It was seconded by Wemple. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dyckman said that ballots for the election will be mailed out on October 9.

Economic Development:

Shopko had its Grand Opening of the new store last Friday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims as presented:

	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
September, 2015	19550 - 19588	
	(19589 cancelled)	
	19590 -19606	
	1 9629 - 19631	
	19633 - 19636	
	19638 - 19644	\$ 156,762.10
October, 2015	19607 - 19628	
	19632, 19637	\$ 3,208.00
Claims Total (Exp	enditures)	\$ 159,970.10

Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

The Local Government Study Commission has tentatively scheduled a meeting for October 22 at the High School.

RESOLUTIONS:

2089: Intent to Annex Real Property in the Hunter-Ramsey Addition

Kautzman made the motion to approve. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

2090: Increase Rates and Charges for the Users of the Water and Sewer Systems

Greer made the motion to approve. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be training for the area's Clerks and Treasurers in Hardin on October 22.

Wemple made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greer seconded. It was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

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Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for October 20, 2015 was called to order at 7:34 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, Accounting & Records Tech Angela Zimmer, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Wemple made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the October 6 Council and committee meetings. Motion seconded by Kepp. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bob Runge asked Council to consider posting Rankin Drive as 15 mph. Mark Little Light agreed, adding that 10 mph might be better. Laurie Tschetter agreed. There was discussion as to the street being private or City. More research needs to be done. A Streets Committee meeting was set for 6:30 p.m. on November 3.

Tschetter asked about the meter pit project. She would prefer individual meters instead of paying one bill from the master meter.

Cory Kenney asked for the "Plaza" to be classified a park as he would like to see it continue indefinitely as a park.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dill indicated it would be no problem to change the "Welcome" signs as discussed at the last meeting. He distributed concepts developed by Hector Alvarado. After some discussion, a concept was agreed upon. Greer added it may be good to develop another sign for the other side saying "Thank you for visiting."

NEW BUSINESS:

Terry Jeffers of the Jailhouse Gallery thanked Council for their support and asked for continued support for this year.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works:

Dill updated Council on equipment. The estimate to repair the John Deere tractor at the Landfill will be around \$20,000 with an additional \$20,000 to rent a replacement while it is in for repairs. The Bomag compactor is also down, but should be repaired shortly. They are still researching a mini-excavator to purchase. The Case at the Landfill needs to have the brakes replaced. The estimate is \$17,634.35. Wemple made the motion to approve the brake replacement. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The contract with Stahly Engineering is still being negotiated.

Kautzman made the motion to approve payment of the invoice from Riverside Contracting Inc. for the Chip Seal project in the amount of \$205,185.01 upon satisfactorily fixing some items. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance:

Dyckman thanked the Council for allowing her to attend the Montana League of Cities and Towns Conference. She also noted that individuals who had not received a mail ballot could go to the Election Office to register or reactivate their status and vote.

Economic Development:

In addition to Shopko, other new businesses include Blue Bird Lane and the Enchanted Florist.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landfill:

Wemple made a motion to increase the limits on Pollution Coverage to \$5,000,000 per occurrence/\$10,000,000 aggregate. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman made a motion to keep the Plaza as a plaza. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Sewer and Water:

Kepp made a motion to keep the meter exchange as is, no cost for upsizing a meter. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Kepp made a motion to move ahead with the Arrowhead meter project projected to be around \$50,000. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims:

CLAIM No.		Monthly Total	
September, 2015	19645 - 19657 19670 - 19672	\$	229,105.76
October, 2015	19658 – 19669, 19673 Except 19666 & 19667	S	45,471.23 <39,890.31>
Claims Total (Ex	penditures)	\$	234,686.68

Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Law Enforcement:

Angevine will ask the Sheriff's Office to patrol heavier on City streets. On dogs that are barking at night, we will ask for reports. There is no real way to enforce a noise ordinance without purchasing a decibel meter. Even then there are certain sounds that do not register.

To address the issues of speeding in the South Park and Rankin Drive areas, we will need to make sure the park is posted and that the City can post on Rankin Drive. Greer made a motion to establish a 15 mph zone on Rankin Drive from Lewis to Miles; and also on Lewis Avenue, starting on the alleyway of Lewis between South Third and South Second going south to Railway. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Dill asked for clarification. There would be a sign on Rankin going east and west, one on Miles, and two on Lewis.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

The Local Government Study Commission has scheduled a meeting for October 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the Depot.

RESOLUTIONS:

2091: Amending the Landfill Fee Schedule

Wemple made the motion to approve. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be a Public Hearing on November 17 at 7:15 p.m. regarding the Annexation of real property owned by Jeffrey Hooker.

Kepp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greer seconded. It was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

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COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for November 3, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Kenny Kepp, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, Accounting & Records Tech Angela Zimmer, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the October 20 Council and committee meetings. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cory Kenney asked about the claim for USA Blue Book. Russell Dill explained the products purchased. Mike Martinsen addressed the council regarding his Lighting District assessments. Mayor Lane said that Mike brought up some good points and he recommended that Council look into the matter.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

The Mayor reported that there is an opportunity for a new business, Loves Travel Stops & Country Stores. It would be the first in Montana. Loves was seeking approval from Council whether a travel plaza, scale, tire shop, and motel can be constructed upon the proposed property under the current zoning. Russell Dill reported that we do not currently have anything on zoning for a truck stop. Attorney Snively stated that their concern was with zoning. The proposed lot is zoned Heavy Industrial. Angevine made the motion to work with Loves Travel & Country Stores at the current site. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Law Enforcement Committee would like to set up meetings with the County on a regular basis. It was agreed that Wednesdays and Thursdays were good days to meet with the County enforcement.

Sabas Trevino JR has property at 1301 North Custer Avenue. Under the current zoning, he would not be able to rebuild his home if it was destroyed. His lender is requesting a letter from the City stating that if the house is destroyed, Mr. Trevino could rebuild his residence. Greer made the motion to approve. Angevine seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Public Works:

Dill is expecting to have the final analysis on a case mini excavator to present to Council at the November 17th meeting. Dill also updated information regarding the estimate to repair the John Deere tractor at the Landfill. It was originally expected to be around \$20,000, but will be estimated at around \$32,785.31.

Finance:

Dyckman asked to have certain assets written off. Greer made a motion to have the assets written off. Angevine seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dyckman presented a list of police equipment and asked council what should be done with the items. Council gave direction to go out to public bid where permissible.

Economic Development:

Jeff McDowell stated that TRA did not get the Tiger Grant, they will try again next year. He noted that there are also new businesses in town, SNAP (a phone company) and also Big Sky Exhaust and Brakes. He updated Council on current statewide overcrowding in city jails.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets & Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman made a motion to place 15 mph speed limit signs at 2st Street South and Lewis Avenue, Rankin Drive and Miles Avenue, and at Railway Street and Lewis Avenue. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Sewer and Water:

Kepp provided information regarding storm drains. PACE dug the pipe out and the city also did some work. PACE is expected to be back about the 16th of November to finish.

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims:

	CLAIM No.	1	Monthly Total
June, 2015	19733	S	900.00
September, 2015	19673-cancelled	S	(30.00)
October, 2015	19674-19702		
	19725-19732		
	19734-19742	\$	105,118.84
November	19703-19724	\$	3,208.00
	19743-19744		
Claims Total (Exp	enditures)	S	109,196.84
October, 2015 Pays	roll	S	118,501.22
TOTAL Submitted		S	227,698.06

Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be City County Planning Board Public Hearings on November 9, 2015 at 7p.m.

There will be a Public Hearing on November 17, 2015 at 7:15 p.m. regarding the Annexation of real property owned by Jeffrey Hooker.

OTHER:

Bob Canning, representing USA Communications, discussed the need for a fiber optic upgrade to Hardin Chevrolet. USA Communications will need to temporarily place 14 poles from 11th Street and Cody Avenue to Hardin Chevrolet. Wemple questioned if the poles were temporary and if they would later be put underground. Mayor Lane asked if he had a timeframe for the underground work to be completed. Angevine asked if a year would be plenty of time and Mr. Canning said that it would be. Mr. Canning will have more information for the next council meeting on November 20, 2015.

Kepp motioned to adjourn the meeting. Greer seconded. It was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

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<u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> The Public Hearing for Resolution 2092 regarding the Annexation of the Hooker Property was opened at 7:25 p.m. by Mayor Lane.

Present at the Hearing were:

Council Members: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

City Staff: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, and Accounting/Records Tech Angela Zimmer. Several members of the public were also present.

Cory Kenney said that it would be courtesy to contact the property owners about the Public Hearing. He stated that a lot of people do not follow legal notices. It was noted that the owner was sent a notice.

There being no further discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for November 17, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple. Kenney Kepp joined the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, Accounting & Records Tech Angela Zimmer, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the November 3, 2015 Council and committee meetings. Motion seconded by Angevine. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cory Kenney asked about the claim for Michael and Deborah Gust. Dyckman explained that the claim was a refund. Cory also requested that Public Comment would be opened after discussion on Lighting District 54. Mike Martinsen requested for Lighting District 54 to be discussed before he speaks. The request was granted by Mayor Lane. Delmar Morrison questioned if the City got ahold of the County regarding the helicopter. He also questioned why the skating rink is locked; it cannot be used. He suggested to get rid of the ice skating rink and use it for the helicopter. He also said that he spoke with someone who had said they were filling the rink with water, because the City had not been doing it. Dill noted that the City has filled it the last two years. Wemple asked if it has been locked all of the time and Delmar responded that it has always been locked when he has checked it.

COMMUNICATIONS:

City-County Planning Board Minutes November 9, 2015.

MAYOR:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Kautzman made a motion, concerning Lighting District #54, to set a limit of \$250.00 if the Department of Revenue has it classified as residential and the City has it zoned as residential. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mike Martinsen questioned how the tax gets calculated. Martinsen suggested that there would be a way to make the tax fair and equitable by taking the amount of the tax, \$120,000.00 and dividing it by the number of taxpayers. This would cost each taxpayer approximately \$100.00. Kautzman responded that it is determined by square foot. Kenney asked that calculation by linear foot be looked into.

Mike Martinsen addressed Council on his "add-on tax" for the Lighting District and Street Maintenance. He stated that he lives on a state highway and it doesn't make any sense that he has to pay the Street Maintenance if the City does not maintain it. Mike also asked what the cap does to the taxes for the Lighting District to be paid this year. He said that he likes paying his taxes and living here, but he is trying to sell his place now because he cannot afford to live here anymore.

Mr. Anderson submitted a Conditional Use Permit to place a trailer, owned by Barbara Dorn, on his property. The trailer has passed inspection by the City Building Inspector. Greer made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Application. Molina seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Mr. Anderson said, "Thank You".

There are three positions on the City-County Planning Board that will expire December 31st. Jeff McDowell, stated that he and Carla Colstad are seeking re-appointments. It will be addressed at a meeting in January.

Josh McFarland, of Bighorn Valley Health Center, is requesting approval to install a sign above the main door of the business in the Wilson Building. Greer asked how far off the ground the sign would be and McFarland replied, "About 12-13 feet". Dill noted that a permit would be required. Angevine made a motion to approve the sign. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Bob Canning of USA Communications presented a map of where 3 poles would be. Snively noted that the City does not have the right away. Bob Canning said that it sounds like the easement will not work and that he appreciated the information.

Jason Carr and Dan Orzech, representing Cypress Creek Renewables, submitted a Conditional Use Application to allow a Solar Farm at 340 South Mills Road. Carr said that the impact to the local community will be minimal with no noise pollution. It will be secured by a fence and self-contained. He also submitted a landscaping plan. Kepp made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Application for the Koebbe Solar Farm and the landscaping plan. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS:

Public Works:

Dill reported on the estimates for the Case mini excavator. Angevine motioned to approve the purchase amount of \$49,823.00. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill was contacted by Diana Scheidt from the Big Horn County Museum. She requested that a Welcome Sign be moved down to the museum. Angevine made a motion to accept the request. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance:

Dyckman reported that there was an additional \$205,352.00 change in taxable value in the Tax Increment Finance District.

Economic Development:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landfill/Resolution:

Terry Beartusk requested for the Landfill agreement with the Northern Cheyenne Tribe to be reconsidered and to modify the agreement. Wemple motioned to approve the 2000 tons per year and any tonnage after that would be subject to additional fees. Attorney Snively will prepare an agreement. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Streets & Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman motioned to accept the \$250.00 cap per parcel if the Department of Revenue has it classified as residential and the City has it zoned as residential. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Errol Redger of Big Horn Valley Mennonite Church/School submitted a letter for consideration of street maintenance assessments. Council reviewed other properties that were also over \$250.00 and it was agreed it was best to leave it as is for this year.

Sewer and Water:

Kepp stated that Pace is working on the storm drains.

Finance:

Angevine made a motion to approve the claims:

	CLAIM No.	Ν	Aonthly Total
June, 2015	19782	S	22,352.40
October, 2015	19747-19763		
	19766-19778	S	38,949.79
November, 2015	19745-19746		
	19764-19765	S	59,854.44
	19779-19781		

Claims Total (Expenditures)

Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION & ORDINANCES:

Wemple made a motion to approve Resolution 2092 regarding Annexing the Hooker property. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved

Kepp motioned to approve Resolution 2093 regarding establishing wage for a City employee. Greer Seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be a Law Enforcement Meeting November 19, 2015 at 11 a.m. with Big Horn County.

Kepp motioned to adjourn the meeting. Greer seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



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COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for December 1, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Kenney Kepp, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: City Attorney Bob Snively, Finance Office/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, Accounting & Records Tech Angela Zimmer, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the November 17, 2015 Council and committee meetings. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Laurie Tschetter asked for an increase of the water deposit. She submitted a form of an example of a disconnect notice and charges for one of her rentals. The charges were \$50.00 over the deposit amount. She wants to go back to individual meters.

Laurie expressed that determining lighting fees by square foot is not fair when they have their own lighting. In regards to the meter pit, she said that she will provide a copy of her response after the meeting. Wemple stated that there has to be some way to make the assessment fair.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

The City of Hardin received a letter from Emery Yuhasz, for Sunset Village Mobile Home Park on November 23, 2015 requesting a reduction to their Lighting and Street Maintenance assessments. Wemple suggested to eliminate the issue by dividing the Street Maintenance by the number of homeowners, apartments by the number of apartments, and mobile home lots by the number of units. Snively indicated that there are several ways to determine the assessments according to state law. Mayor Lane asked that the Streets & Alleys Committee research it and study it to come up with a better system.

STAFF REPORTS:

Public Works:

Dill submitted a contract from Stahly Engineering & Associates, Inc. Kepp motioned to approve authorization for the Mayor to sign the contract with Stahly Engineering. Kautzman seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Dill reported that Morgan Contracting is requesting an extension on the Heimat Park Restroom Project contract. Morgan is in a contract with Nick Bianco of Park and Restroom Structures. Mr. Morgan said that they have been working extensively with Nick, but he hasn't performed. The subcontractor has until December 11th to deliver the restroom structure. Kautzman motioned to approve the 120 day extension for the contract with Morgan Contracting. Wemple seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed 5/0. Greer abstained.

Dill reported that UV lamps need to be replaced in the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The cost is approximately \$5000.00. Kepp motioned to approve the purchase. Angevine seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance:

Dyckman reported that she has been working on the annual report. The audit is scheduled for December 7th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landfill/Resolution:

Streets & Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Kautzman commented to Dill that he appreciated the work that was done on the streets after the snow storm.

Sewer and Water:

Kepp stated that Pace was here. Dill noted that the major portion of their work is completed.

Finance:

Angevine ma	ade a motion to approve the o	claims:		
070	CLAIM No.		ľ	Monthly Total
October, 2015	19831		\$	28.00
November, 2015	19783 - 19792			
	19817 - 19830			
	19832-19856, 19858		S	114,137.60
December, 2015	19793 - 19816			
	19857		\$	3,964.49
Claims Total (Exp	oenditures)		\$	118,130.09
November, 2015 P	Payroll		\$	125,852.12
TOTAL Submitte	d		\$	243,982.21

Wemple seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mayor Lane reported on the Big Horn County Law Enforcement Meeting that was held November 19th. Concerns were relayed about speeding in mobile home areas, parks, and around the hospital. He said the Sheriff agreed. The City will continue to meet with the County Law Enforcement on a regular basis.

Wemple motioned to adjourn the meeting. Kepp seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

Michelle Dyckman Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for December 15, 2015 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Jack Lane presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Karen Molina, Harry Kautzman, Clayton Greer, Kenney Kepp, Randy Angevine, and Jerry Wemple.

Also present: Finance Officer/City Clerk Michelle Dyckman, Public Works Superintendent Russell Dill, Accounting & Records Tech Angela Zimmer, and several members of the public.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Kautzman made the motion to approve the minutes as written for the December 1, 2015 Council meeting. Motion seconded by Greer. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Dyckman requested approval for businesses listed on the 2016 Liquor License Application list contingent upon receipt for businesses still working on their 2016 State License and others on the list that may submit applications by noon on December 31st. Dyckman reported an additional license application, recently received, to be added to the list. Wemple motioned to approve the list contingent upon receipt of their State Licenses and applications. Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS:

Public Works:

Dill requested approval of the Ace Roofing pay application #3 for \$19,523.87. Wemple questioned how far they were from completing the work at the Fire Hall. Dill said that they should be done by Christmas. Kepp motioned to approve the pay application for Ace Roofing. Greer seconded. On a voice vote the motion was approved (5/1). Wemple dissent.

Economic Development:

McDowell said that he has sent pitch letters hoping to get interest in housing and development. Wemple asked about Two Rivers Detention Facility. McDowell noted that Federal funding has resumed and they are trying to get ACA Accreditation. He has written to MACo (Montana Association of Counties) with no response. Mayor Lane questioned how MACo is involved. McDowell said that MACo writes the Montana jail standards. Council was in agreement to write a letter to MACo in support.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landfill/Resolution:

Wemple motioned to not pay the additional principal payment on the Landfill Bond. Greer seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Streets & Alleys/Parks and Playgrounds:

Sewer and Water:

Kepp reported that the Master Meter project at the trailer courts is done.

Finance: Angevine November, 2015	made a motion to approve the claims: CLAIM No. 19859 - 19870 19874, 19876, 19877	Ν	Aonthly Total
	19879, 19881, 19882 19885 - 19888	S	35,188.69
December, 2015	19871 – 19873, 19875		
	19878, 19880, 19883, 19884 19889 - 19904	S	453,210.35
Claims Total (E	xpenditures)	S	488,399.04
TOTAL Submi	tted	\$	488,399.04

Kepp seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Wemple made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2094 regarding adjusting some assessments in Lighting District No. 54. Angevine seconded. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Mayor announced the MMIA (Montana Municipal Interlocal Authority) Training will be held in Forsyth, MT on January 27, 2015

Mayor Lane thanked Angevine and Wemple, "We appreciate your service to the City".

Kepp motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Jack Lane, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Dyckman, City Clerk



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