STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MONTANA COAL BOARD
September 19 & 20, 2018 – Colstrip, Montana
BOARD MEETING

John Williams (Chair), Colstrip – Impact Area
Sidney Fitzpatrick, Hardin – Impact Area
Shawn Fredrickson, Butte – other
Amber Henning – Attorney

Marianne Roose, Eureka – other
Tim Schaff, Roundup – Education
Veronica Small-Eastman, Lodge Grass - Education

Notice of Public Meeting

September 19, 2018: The Board will participate in a tour of Rosebud Power Plant. The Board will meet at 1:00pm at City Hall (12 Cherry Street) to begin the tour. Limited transportation is available with the Board to the power plant. The Board will then continue on to a tour of Western Energy Company’s Rosebud Mine, approximately 2:30-3. Limited transportation is available and personal vehicles may not enter the mine site. The Board will gather informally for dinner at 6:00p.m. at City Hall, (12 Cherry Street, Colstrip, MT).

September 20, 2018: The Board will hold a quarterly meeting at 8:30 am, Thursday, September 20, 2018, at the City Hall building (12 Cherry Street) Colstrip, MT. The Board will gather for lunch at City Hall and members of the public are welcome to attend. For more information or to request reasonable accommodations for a disability, please contact CDD staff at (406) 841-2770 or at DOCCDD@mt.gov before the meeting.

Agenda:
1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Opportunity for public comment on items not on the agenda, but within the Board’s jurisdiction
4. Presentation of transcript (June 20, 2018)
5. Statutory Criteria Discussion
6. Budget Status Update
   - CDD Staff update
   - Opportunity for public comment
   - Board discussion
   - Board action (as applicable)
7. Project Updates
   - CDD Staff update
   - Opportunity for public comment
   - Board discussion
   - Board action (as applicable)
8. Old Business
   - CDD Staff update
   - Opportunity for public comment
   - Board discussion
   - Board action (as applicable)
*Please note that as the Board reviews the following applications, action in the form of an environmental determination may be made by the Board.

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Total Funds Requested: $ 1,207,500.00

9. New Business
   - CDD Staff update
   - Opportunity for public comment
   - Board discussion
   - Board action (as applicable)

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<td>Musselshell County</td>
<td>Roundup Memorial Healthcare equipment</td>
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Total Funds Requested: $ 849,621.00

10. Opportunity for public comment
11. Board Matters
   A. Confirmation of next meeting date and city for December and March
   B. Items for agenda

12. Adjourn
STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MONTANA COAL BOARD

TRANSCRIPT OF THE COAL BOARD MEETING

June 20, 2018
8:38 a.m. - 1:09 p.m.

Held at Holiday Inn Express
3431 Ember Lane
Billings, Montana

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WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had:

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Good morning, everybody.

I'll call the meeting to order.

If we could please have roll call.

MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Here.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Here.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Here.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Here.

MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Here.

MS. PICHETTE: Tim Schaff.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Here.

MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Here.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Thank you.

MS. PICHETTE: And if we could remind the members of the public as well, the sign-in sheet is right here next to the snacks. If you could sign in sometime today, we’d appreciate it. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Thank you very much.

Everybody sign in. And we’ve got no push buttons on the phone, so everyone speak directly into the mic.

Welcome, everybody. Thank you for coming here this morning. The first item that we do have on the agenda is we have some training for, for the board, and the public is certainly welcome to participate by being a part of understanding what we’re going to be trained in as far as our emailing goes. So thank you for coming.

And Jennifer.

MS. OLSON: Good morning, Board, members of the public. I’d like to introduce Bonnie Martello. She’s with our Department of Commerce legal staff, and she’s here to help walk through the new email addresses that you’ll be having. But I wanted to take a minute to explain to you the why.

So first and foremost, the new email addresses that you’re having are part of the state network. So with that comes -- as part of all of the benefits of working with the Department of Commerce as an attached-to board, the IT staff are able to help you as well as some other folks. You’ve seen Amy Barnes come here before and talk to you as legal staff. So this is an extension to our IT staff.

A couple of different things that are important to know. This email address probably will seem a little bit cumbersome at first, getting used to it. But the reason that this is beneficial for not only you but the State and the public is because if there is a public information request and you use your individual personal email account, that means that the State will have to pay, and it comes out of your coal board budget as administrative expenses, to investigate and search into your personal email account.

You know, if there’s a request about a specific project or a specific conversation or a topic, then we would have to do some investigation and hire out or send staff to redo that research and make sure that it's complete and thorough, then it would be subject to legal review, and then we would send that out to the individual or party that is requesting that public information.

So your Walgreens, you know, prescriptions that you probably do with your emails, we would be going through that, or anything that you might buy on eBay or Amazon, we might be going through that, just in the effort of trying to find and search the exact email and the content that we’re looking for.

Additionally, it also protects you from not only that search, but then also anything that might be happening at the state network; so provides you upgrades and information that would be then provided as part of the overall state network that our IT staff could do. So not only if there’s issues related to people trying to access your information or whatnot, because it is a secure site, also with the state network comes a lot of encryption information.

Lastly, I think it also helps because then the communication that we the board staff send to you, it becomes a place where we can help to make sure that you’re getting that information and that access to your state email account then is secure and is operating. So if there’s something that’s going on and you can’t figure it out, we have, again, a good IT staff to help.

So Bonnie is going to walk through with you the process. And I would say the RSA tokens, so the little gray things that have the numbers that are in front of you, replacements for those do cost the Board our administrative dollars. So treat them like a credit card. Keep them with you at all times. And when you’re particularly accessing your email, but then also when you’re not accessing your state email, please keep them in a secure location. Because that’s definitely a unique identification number, but it provides a double authentication to ensure that any attempts to hack into your state email account or anything like that become extraordinarily much more difficult.

So those are very, very important. We can replace...
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<td>MS. MARTELLO: Good morning. Again, my name is</td>
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<td>are not searching information that doesn't belong to us or</td>
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<td>Hardin, whatever, we type that in, and it's only going to</td>
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<td>bring up that information. So it's easier for us to go</td>
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<td>through that information if we do have an information</td>
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<td>information or whatever personal information is out there,</td>
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<td>all have to use it.</td>
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<td>So in front of you, you have a little square piece of</td>
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<td>paper that I provided to you. That has your information</td>
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<td>that you're going to need to log into the state email</td>
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<td>system. The first one is your user name. It's a</td>
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<td>change it. So you guys all have the same exact password</td>
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<td>And then below that is your State of Montana email</td>
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<td>address. It's your <a href="mailto:first.lastname@mt.gov">first.lastname@mt.gov</a>. So it is your</td>
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<td>full name written out. That is something new for us</td>
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<td>them when you're ready. You know, data loss prevention,</td>
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<td>We can archive everything in Outlook, so it's not off</td>
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<td>the system. So when we are going to look at information</td>
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1. wants information from us, it's easy, it's in the Outlook system, we can pull it right from there.
2. So how-to information. So if you open your Internet browser, and whatever browser you choose to use, totally up to you, if you type in mt.gov and then backslash employee, it will bring you to the state employee access page. And for us, there's other services, as a state employee, we can get into. But the only one that you're going to be required to get into is what's called webmail on the left-hand side.
3. So you click in the login screen, and this is where you're going to need your RSA token. So in the domain and the user name, you're always going to have to put state backslash, and then that's where your CCA number goes in.
4. So the number that's on your top little piece of paper, CCA, and then you have the number. And then your password is the password that's on your piece of paper. For you guys, it's "rockbottom," and those are zeros and not Os. Those are zeros.
5. So it will come up, look like -- Whoever uses Outlook in their normal day to day, it will look pretty similar to that. So this is what it will look like. Kind of fuzzy for you, but -- So on your left-hand side, you have your inbox, so that's where everything will come into. You can put it in your favorites if you would like to have --
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<td>Below that is your own archiving information. So you can right-click, you make can folders, if you want to make it for quarterly meetings. You know, so once Coal Board sends stuff out to you, you can keep it in there if you would like. For records management, anything that is state business needs to be records managed, so there's a retention schedule. So what I would encourage you to do is make a folder on the left-hand side; any information for this meeting or the September meeting, you just drag and drop into there so that you are compliant with the records management for the State of Montana. BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: I have a question.</td>
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<td>Ms. Martello: Yes. BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: So if we don't do any of the folders and we just keep it in the inbox -- Ms. Martello: That's totally fine too. BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: That's fine. Ms. Martello: Yep. BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Okay. Ms. Martello: As long as it's accessible if we have to go out and find it. We can totally do that too. VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: So then if you don't even do it at all, that's fine too? Ms. Martello: That's up to --</td>
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| 4    | VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: That's going to be probably me. Ms. Martello: That's up to -- I think that they are going to start sending your information through the email. But I'm just here to show you how to do it, so... Ms. Olson: And I might interject for a moment. Mr. Chairman, Vice-Chairman Fitzpatrick, we're going to start to communicate with all of you via this email so that we also can document, demonstrate that the communication isn't to a personal, private email account that would then have to be subject to review or scrutiny as a public information request. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Then does that mean that our board packets will come email? No more mailing? Ms. Olson: Chairman, Marianne Roose, that's actually the direction that we'd like to be heading. So we'll have a transition time. But that will hopefully get the packets to you sooner. The volume of them tends to be a little bit daunting, so we'll start to work towards that end. It might just be a little bit of transition so that you get the front part of the packets first and then the applications or something like that. We also don't want to overload your email so that it's full of really large documents, so -- But in the coming months, years, we're going to be looking at how we can best help to make sure that that information is readily available. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Thank you. Ms. Martello: And just as a sidenote, most boards are going to this web-based -- you're not the only board that is going to have State of Montana email accounts. It's a better safekeeping for your personal information. And so we are transitioning -- Not only at Commerce, but across the board they are transitioning to board emails so that we know that the information that is going out to board members that is State of Montana information is being dealt with properly. So it's pretty self-explanatory. You know, new mail, you click on the "new mail," you can enter in "to," you know, anyone you want to. So once you first get in -- And I will be around, so everybody, if you want to try to get in the first time, I'm here. We can help, you know, navigate people through moving things through. There is a calendar option here so that, you know, Anne and whoever sends out -- You will get little meeting bugs that will come up about meetings that pertain to the Coal Board and that kind of stuff. We do ask that every 60 days you change your password so that we know that it is safe and secure. And to change your password -- It will prompt you to change it. After 60 days, if you don't do it, it will prompt you to change your password. And it cannot be the same password. It will not allow you to do that, to continue to change to the same password. And any questions, anything like that, she hasn't been introduced yet, but Jodee Prevel will be your first point of contact if you have any questions or concerns or have any issues trying to get in. And then at the bottom of the page, all of the IT staff for the Department of Commerce is there and available for any problems that arise trying to get in. It is required that your Windows is up to date in the software requirement. So that if you don't update your Windows, it won't let you in. And that, again, is part of the security, so that we're safekeeping the State of Montana so that, you know, any virus or anything doesn't come into the system. So any questions? BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes. Is this a part at all of the Montana Transfer Service? Ms. Martello: It does hook to that. So we can hook you up for the Transfer Service. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: I serve on another state board, and we use the Transfer Service and I have a
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1. password. And that's very easy to use --
2. MS. MARTELLO: Yes.
3. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: -- so I was curious if this
4. is connected to that.
5. MS. MARTELLO: Yep. And some of the bigger
6. binders that do go out, we can put them into the Transfer
7. Service. You will automatically -- I'm sure like you do
8. in the other board, you get an email, you click on it, and
9. it literally opens right there for you.
10. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: It's very friendly to use.
12. MS. MARTELLO: It is very friendly. It is easy
13. to use, and it's right there at your fingertips. So
14. that's something too that they can explore with you.
15. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: That's good. Thank you. It
16. is much easier to use.
17. MS. MARTELLO: It is super-easy to use.
19. Well, we're all here. We're available. Any
20. questions, please make sure you give us a call. Even
21. something as simple as "my RSA code isn't working." We've
22. all thrown those RSA codes around, because when we first
23. had to go onto them, we were all not liking them. But now
24. they're pretty accustomed to us.
25. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: So really, this is nothing

1. more than for us to have at our fingertips --
2. MS. MARTELLO: To get into your Outlook.
3. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: -- a hard copy of what our
4. number is?
5. MS. MARTELLO: Yes. Yep. And that number
6. attaches to your email and to your CCA number, so if you
7. don't have that when you try to get in, it's not going to
8. let you in. We went to two-factor authentications
9. probably about a year ago now, and so it's just that
10. second step of safekeeping your information so intruders
11. can't come in.
12. Anything else?
14. CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Any other questions? Any
15. comments?
17. Okay. Thank you very much.
18. The next item on the agenda is the opportunity for
19. public comment, and I would invite members of the public
20. to make comment to myself and the Board on any items that
21. you would like to discuss other than those that are on the
22. agenda. So I would welcome your comments at this time.
23. MR. ATCHISON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Members
24. of the Coal Board. For the record, my name is
25. Jim Atchison. I'm the executive director of Southeastern

1. what we have and can contribute to the national economy.
2. Also in Billings back in April was the Coal Reliant
3. Communities Forum, specifically targeting communities that
4. are having impact challenges -- Roundup, Colstrip, and, of
5. course, Hardin and a few others, including Billings --
6. when certain things do happen. And they have one
7. scheduled for Gillette, but it's been postponed into the
8. near future. So a couple things there.
9. Also, I'm happy to report that it looks like,
10. according to the Montana Coal Council, Montana coal
11. production in 2017 was up about 9 percent. So that's some
12. encouraging news. In 2016 it was definitely down; 2017 it
13. was up about 9 percent; and so far, according to
14. Coalage.com through February, it was up about 2-and-a-half
15. percent in Montana. So some good news there as far as the
16. Severance Tax and exactly what the Coal Board and other
17. state agencies that rely on coal revenue can anticipate in
18. the future hopefully.
19. One grant application that we were part of, the
20. Colstrip diversification strategy, which we applied for
21. back in September and were awarded an award from you folks
22. in January, and we appreciate that, just a little update:
23. We completed the request for proposal, RFP process just
24. about a week ago. We're going through those applications
25. and scoring those presently. And probably July 1st, we'll
Roundup Memorial Healthcare in Roundup. I have with me Theresa Doumitt, who is our grant writer for the hospital.

We'd like to give a report on Grant No. MT-CB-17-1813, which is health care equipment for Musselshell County, Montana. We'd like to express our deep appreciation to the Board for the funding that we've received. We have, to date, used the funding -- or plan to use the funding for seven different equipment projects, and I'll briefly go through those and tell you where we are with those and what the impact is.

Before I do that, I would like to, again, thank the Board. Your funding is often crucial for us to obtain other grant funding. Many of our grantors require matching contributions, and Musselshell County, as one of the poorer counties in the state, struggles to come up with those sort of funds. And so your assistance on a state level is, is instrumental to us being successful.

The first item that we have funded is a telemetry monitoring system replacement. We have completed that project. The project was launched on November 15th, 2017, and that is fully operational. The impacts of this has been that we have -- we are able to provide cutting-edge emergency and acute care services on date of delivery in our county.

You may or may not be familiar with rural health care, but we are so small that we are not able to specialize with our nursing care in different areas of the hospital, so we generally staff one nurse who covers the emergency room, covers our acute care beds, and then also, if we have any skilled nursing beds, they all do that together in some miraculous way. And one of the ways that we make that work is with technology.

And so what the telemetry system does is allows us to put patients on the monitor, and while the nurse or the CNA may be elsewhere, the equipment is actually monitoring heart rate, blood pressure, those sort of things with the patient; and if there's a change in status, it alarms and they're able to go assist them. It helps our providers to make better decisions on care, and more quickly, because there's a continuous monitoring system in place and those vital signs are readily available.

And then finally, the machinery transcribes the information directly into our electronic health record and thereby decreases errors and time that it takes the patients -- or, excuse me, our nurses to transcribe information into the record. So this has had a very significant and great impact with improvement in our hospital services.

The second area is our portable x-ray project. We had a machine that was many years old and was failing. There were no repair parts for it. And so we purchased a new machine using a technology called DR, which is digital radiography. The benefits of that system are that patients have to move less because we're able to -- we don't have to put a, what's called a cassette underneath them, and so it creates more comfort for our emergency room patients and others.

And then the DR technology is much clearer and much faster. And the machine we have actually has a screen so that as the x-ray is taken, the providers and nurses, the technician can actually look at the image as it's being taken. So rather than developing cassettes and taking several minutes to get a shot, it's instantaneous. And that's been a significant improvement. The equipment is, in fact, so good that we use it for our extremity x-rays in lieu of using our standard equipment. The providers love the equipment because if there's a broken bone, for example, they can look at it and see exactly what's going on sort of instantaneously and can move forward. So a wonderful enhancement for us.

The third project that we're using the coal board money for is the hydrotherapy equipment project. We're building a new physical therapy building in Roundup, and the hydrotherapy pool will be a centerpiece of a new service, which will greatly enhance the ability for us to...
help our patients. A lot of patients in Roundup skip physical therapy because it usually requires two or three visits a week and they don't want to travel back in to Billings that often for that sort of service. So that's a significant improvement to the services we provide. Particularly, the hydrotherapy system uses, of course, buoyancy and those kind of things to improve gait training or ability for people to walk and to walk in a more normal way, and so it will be a very significant improvement.

The equipment we're buying is, is cutting edge. It's used by many NFL and NCAA teams. So if you get challenged to a run or an arm wrestle in the next couple of years by anybody from Roundup, I'd encourage you to think about it because they're probably going to be in really good shape.

The fourth project that we are working on is a pharmacy cabinet project. This is an enhancement to how we currently dispense medications. Automatic dispensing equipment has been proven to make medication dispensing safer and quicker for patients, and thereby enhancing their care and helping us avoid errors.

We are partnering with the Helmsley Charitable Trust on this project. The Trust is providing about 75 percent of the funding, and the Coal Board is -- we're using coal board funds for the rest of the project. This will, again, greatly enhance our ability to provide safe care.

It allows a pharmacist oversight of medication orders, which is something we have struggled with but is a really important safety device that in a small hospital is hard to do. We just can't afford to have a pharmacist there. But this will allow us to have a pharmacist available remotely to review the medication orders.

The other projects that we're going to use the balance of the funds are for a new EKG machine, a portable ventilator, and a bone density scanner for the Roundup area. The EKG is used to monitor heart rhythms and is a critical part of care. They're hard to find funding for. It's difficult for us, with our reimbursement structure, to develop funding for those sort of things where they're replacements and not an actual new revenue stream.

The portable ventilator will be used on transfers to Billings and is a significant enhancement in patient safety. We currently use -- if ventilation is needed between Roundup and Billings, we currently do that manually. And sometimes you can push too hard or push too little, not get enough air in, get too much air into the patient. And a portable ventilator removes those kind of problems. And then the bone density scanner is a service that's highly utilized for senior patients and also women to monitor the density of the bones and identify osteoporosis and those sort of things.

So that's how we're using your money. We deeply, deeply appreciate the grant that we've received. We are planning an open house for our new building in December or January '19. We plan to do that in coordination with the next coal board meeting -- or the coal board meeting in that time frame, and we would invite you to come see what we've been doing with your money up in the Roundup area.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Thank you very much, Brad. Thank you very much for that great update. And great job on all those things that you're doing for the folks up in Roundup and Musselshell County. So appreciate that very much.

Next, please.

CHANCELLOR EDELMAN: Good morning, Mr. Chair, Board Members. My name is Dan Edelman. I'm privileged to be the new chancellor of Montana State University Billings, and I'm thrilled to be here today. And thank you for allowing me to take a few minutes of your important time this morning to speak with you.

First of all, I get asked three questions wherever I go: The first is about the football team, when are we going to start that; the second is why do I have a cane; and how long am I going to be here. As far as the football team, we're not going to talk about that now. As far as the cane, I'm a disabled veteran. It's not here to hit you or anything bad, I promise you, but I need it for support.

And the third question, which is most important, is how long do I plan to be in Billings and serve as the chancellor. I plan to be here a long time. I've made a lot of personal financial commitments already. I've walked away from a defined benefit plan in the state of Texas I could start collecting in about two years because this opportunity was so great and because the community is an excellent partner, and there are just so many great things going on here.

So I want to thank you so much for investing, through Big Sky Development, in MSUB and our community to help us fund our new science building. We're getting really close. I'm confident we'll have the remaining funds shortly. We've already tentatively scheduled a groundbreaking ceremony in September. We are definitely within sight. I invite the Board to utilize space that we are repurposing on campus. If you want to hold meetings on our lovely campus, you may. That area should be ready in September and will be able to hold about 300, 350 people. So we look forward to inviting you there.

And lastly, again, I want to thank you again for
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The chancellor has hit the ground running, and I've got to tell you, things have been really good. What we have going is as is of -- We're about 4.3 million. We're $700,000 from getting close. We're hoping to tie that up real soon. We did have a little setback, and I just wanted to give you an update on that. The M.J. Murdock grant, they did come back the end of May and said that at this time they would not go forward with the funding. They invited us to come back at another time. Some of the delay I think affected that and -- But they have been very positive, and we'll be working with them in the future.

Where we're at is we did have another donor step up to the plate. And if you read in the paper, at the Wine Fest he made a presentation of $500,000 -- Mr. Ueland, Shawn, from the Butte area -- and stepped up to the plate and covered the Murdock grant. We have a community campaign starting; we'll kick it off on Thursday. And we have a $50,000 matching grant that's already halfway done right now for Thursday. Before Thursday gets here, we're hoping we'll have the $100,000 matched on that. And we have -- the chancellor is stepping up to the plate, and he'll do a challenge match also for the community and will be selling bricks. And hopefully that campaign in the next few weeks will put us at about $4.5 million. We also have three large donors that we're working with. We're hoping to make that announcement coming up. And, and then back to the Board of Regents and to have the money appropriated to bring the project to $17.1 million with the student fees that have been voted to go forward for this building. And then after the Board of Regents, to have it signed off by the budget director at the State and the finishing up the drawings. We're hoping to bid in November and awarding by December. And as the chancellor said, we're hoping to have the ceremonial groundbreaking in September. And we have the ceremonial groundbreaking in September. And we're hoping to have the ceremonial groundbreaking in September. And we

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I just want to make sure all of you know we would love to have you there. We'll be getting an invite for each of you. The project is progressing, and with your help and your appropriation, what it really did is spurred a lot of our other donors to come on board with us and working forward. The other thing that I wanted to say is not just on this building, but Montana State University Billings is reaching out in Coal Country. What we're doing, Commissioner Veronica Small-Eastman, is we're looking to set up working with you and especially education in Lame Deer and then the Crow Reservation in Coal Country. And we'd like to get that going, and the chancellor and I will be making a trip down to see you and getting that taken care of.

What we'd also like to do is we have a little tour through eastern Montana. Once the chancellor got here to town he said, "Why aren't we reaching out to eastern Montana?" So we have a bus tour going. We'll be coming -- Mr. Fitzpatrick, Commissioner Fitzpatrick has invited us down for Crow Fair, but what we're also doing is coming down into the Crow Nation and working in different areas with Montana State University Billings as we reach out. Mr. Chairman, we'll be over to Colstrip and seeing you, and then our bus trip will take us over to Miles City, Glendive, all the way up to Poplar to the Reservation up north. And then next year we'll plan another one as we keep on working eastern Montana. Eastern Montana is where -- as you all know, Eastern Montana University, and if you went there, you still know it as Eastern Montana College. We're reaching out to all of eastern Montana because that's where this university serves. And we appreciate your support on the university that serves eastern Montana and Coal Country. So any questions?

Chairman Williams: Questions of Bill?

Okay. Thank you, Bill.

Mr. Kennedy: And I would hope that, Jennifer, you'll look at -- It will be a nice space at the University, and we'd love to get you there for your meetings as you come into Billings. It's a bigger room than this.

Thank you.

Chairman Williams: Okay. Thank you.

Other comments?

Mr. Hodges: Good morning, Montana Coal Board.

Bill Hodges, Big Horn Hospital Association. If I may, Chairman Williams, I have an update on the Heritage Acres nurses' station renovation and equipment.
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Sure.

MR. HODGES: And I also have the director of nurses here and the mayor of Hardin, Joe Purcell, to my immediate left. What we did in the nurses’ station -- If you remember, we were awarded, Anne, I believe $252,000 for the nurses’ station remodel and then I call equipment.

And what equipment involved was the nurse call system. And if you remember correctly, I called it the keno machine. You didn’t know where the lights were at when it was activated because it was so dysfunctional, so the poor nurses and CNAs in this long-term care facility were just guessing where the call lights were being activated or lit up. That’s no longer the case now. It’s state-of-the-art. When someone rings and needs assistance in the long-term care facility, room specific, we know exactly where they’re at.

And also, the WanderGuard system. That, to me personally, was probably the most insecure part of this grant request. Because, again, we literally had residents that were leaving the facility at an inappropriate time. That WanderGuard system locks us down. We know where they’re at. We also have, I believe, Joe, they’re bands that we put on the residents. So they are working, the systems, in appropriate coordination, and that’s what so great.

What Joe and I did, we took about, I think six shots of the renovation. And if you can see that first picture, that’s basically the before and I will call the ugliness of that nurses’ station. I mean, that nurses’ station protruded out into the lobby. You can see the combination of tile and carpet. That has been replaced.

The next picture is kind of during construction. And you can see we’re starting -- we pushed back, did away with that nurses’ station.

And then the last picture, we didn’t do justice to it.

We should have backed up a little bit. But that’s the completed lobby. And it has just brightened that entire area. You can see there’s a table there. Residents can meet there. It’s centered underneath our skylight. You have to see it, but it’s just made such a difference to that environment. Family members can visit. I mean, it’s just now a gathering place, a magnate for the population to gather, and it’s just made such a big change.

The last shot is actually where the staff charts at; where before, they were charting everywhere and anywhere.

It’s a secluded spot. They can chart. They can be professional. The providers that visit and round on the residents, they can sit down, they can chart. And it’s just been so great.

The only thing -- And again -- Let’s say we’re substantially compliant. We’ve got the tile that’s in the lobby that’s a little bit lighter than we wanted. We’re negotiating with both the installer and the manufacturer on that specific color and then the durability of the product. Joe could probably address it a little bit better. But we want to make certain that that durability is what we want in that particular area. We are providing what I will call leverage. We have not paid that contractor -- or that installer, so we’re holding back, getting our way, and we hope to have that resolved very quickly.

But I mean, that’s the project, and we’re so, so happy this has gotten taken care of. I personally -- and Joe works in the environment every day. We really appreciate the generosity of the Coal Board. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Thank you very much, Bill.

Other questions or comments?

MAYOR PURCELL: Good morning. Joe Purcell, the mayor of the City of Hardin and also director of nursing. I’m going to follow up with Bill.

Again, the environment that it changed for that facility is unbelievable. The natural light, the families come in, and it’s just a wow factor as they come in.

We’re now way more HIPAA compliant and on the right track of being compliant with all of our CMS regulations and changes.

As far as the City of Hardin goes, I just want to kind of give an update and a thank you. The trash compactor up at the landfill, that project is 100 percent complete.

It’s working great. And we realize now how much time we wasted on our other piece of equipment that would overheat after 20 minutes and we’d have to shut it down for an hour. And this has made the processes at our landfill much more efficient.

Our next project coming up is our Terry Avenue street restoration. We were a little short on funding. We went back to the engineers, we did a little bit of I would say downsizing and got it to fit into our budget. That is scheduled for July 9th, with a six-week completion time. And so that’s going forward as long as the rain holds out and we can get in there.

Again, I thank you for both of those projects and helping us improve our community. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Thank you very much, Mayor.

Other comments?

Okay. Thank you.

Next item on the agenda, we have the, actually the presentation of the transcript of -- At the last meeting, we did a transcript versus -- as we are this meeting,
transcript versus taking of the minutes. And I think everybody has had an opportunity, the Board, to go through this transcript. And it's the actual recording of what was discussed versus, generally speaking, minutes. So I think what I would do is, just to follow our process as before, I will entertain a motion to accept the transcript of the last meeting. I will entertain a motion to that.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: So moved.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Second.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Second.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. It's been moved and seconded. Discussion?

Comments from the public?

Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Tim Schaff.

MS. OLSON: Good morning again, Board. I'll also, before I get into the budget, if I might, introduce Jodee Prevel. She is our administrative lead at Department of Commerce Community Development Division and is also going to be a regular face for you as a board staff person here. So if you have any questions or whatnot, she is a good contact for you. We'll get her all set up. She's actually just, I think what, your second week, Jodee? Third week.

MS. PREVEL: Second week.

MS. OLSON: Second week. Sorry. It's been more fun than I thought. But, of course, Anne is also available, but I wanted to introduce you to her. And she's got a lot of energy and whatnot, so I think she'll help you in any way that we can.

So I'd like to point you to the tab in your binder called Budget & Project Updates. So the first tab, as you can -- or the first sheet, excuse me, that you can see,
fiscal year ends. And so it’s what’s called a reverse
accrual. So at some point, Department of Revenue puts in
the number and then reverses that accrual out based on the
actual revenue received in the subsequent quarter which
occurs in the subsequent fiscal year. So that’s why
there’s a zero dollar amount.

You will see that typically, those numbers, as you
look in the history, are -- well, they are always
identical, but you can see that that amount fluctuates a
lot. So as an example, they estimated in 2016
$1,040,779.96; however, what was actually received, if you
look at October of 2017, was only $755,000, so it was a
negative -- it was an overestimation of $284,000
approximately.

So we don’t know what that revenue estimate is, so
right now we have zero dollars of revenue.

So I’m going to direct you back to the main page, but
this is good information I think to keep on moving
forward. So just to recap again, we have revenue
available in the Coal Natural Resource Account of
$2,790,927.31. We did receive -- Actually, a project came
back in and reverted funds on the project costs -- Sorry.
I’m just going to wait for a second.
The costs of the project came in under budget, and so
$12,301 were reverted back. So that means that of the

balance of revenue -- of funds available in the
account, there is negative $172,844.69. Which means that
at this time, the Board has over-awarded project funds
considering all of the awards that were made since the
last meeting. That doesn’t count the $1.2 million that’s
available -- excuse me, that has been requested for this
meeting to be considered before the Board. So that’s all
of the projects awarded thus far in the year.

So I wanted to point out a couple of different things.
So you all should have the statutory criteria for
coal board grants in front of you. It’s the little card
stock sheet. And 90-6-206(1)(c) is where we find
availability of funds, which is the third bold -- It’s
right there. There you go. So everybody has that.

Again, 90-6-206(1)(c) is based on availability of funds.
Funds, we’re talking about funds available in the Coal
Natural Resource Account, of which we have a negative
$172,000.

So I’m available and open for questions. But I do
have one question for the Board. We have approximately --
Let me pull out my sheet. We have Projects 0841, 0842,
0845, and 0846 that make up -- which is the Big Horn
County Law Enforcement vehicle fleet upgrade, Big Horn
County Library capital improvement needs, Rosebud County
Health Care Center equipment updating project, and the

and Allied Health Building $500,000, was placed as a
priority. So 0848, while not numerically in order, was
prioritized ahead of those.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: And it will stay that way?
MS. OLSON: It will stay that way. Well, I
suppose the Board could definitely have a conversation
about that, but -- So that’s why, if you look at the
numbers, that number occurs after that. It’s prioritized
ahead of that, so that’s why.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: The awards were made based on
available funds, is that what -- for the $172,000?
MS. OLSON: So the negative $172,000, yep, is
what is not in the account to fund those four projects,
which is why the Department has not been entering into
contracts --

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Right.
MS. OLSON: -- albeit awards were made by the
Board.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Right. And so when those
funds are available, then you will initiate the contracts.
MS. OLSON: Exactly. So today, June 20th, there
is zero dollars of revenue available.
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Right. Okay. So is there
any action other than what has occurred that the Board
needs to do?
MS. OLSON: Well, I think that what I need is your direction. So it's a little bit of a sticking place because -- I wanted to point out the statute because it's based on availability of funds.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

MS. OLSON: So those projects we can't move forward with until there's revenue. And as you can see the history of revenue, in October Department of Revenue will do that reverse accrual. They will put those funds back into the June account.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Right.

MS. OLSON: But, of course, that's into the next fiscal year, so it's a little bit of a conundrum.

So we would need some direction from the Board about those being contingent upon available funds in the next fiscal year or that those are going to be funded out of the 2019 funds or in any, any number of things that would allow those projects to move forward once funds become available.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Well, if we make -- Okay. So the funds aren't here because we're in June. So they'll be coming in, you've got to figure they're going to be coming in next month after this. But they would be coming -- But wouldn't you anticipate that those would occur before the first of July?

MS. OLSON: I would not. What we saw last -- So when you think about last June, it took us until -- Well, let me take a little step back. When we looked at last June, we still had zero revenue for June. Then what we saw was there was no revenue in July, there was no revenue in August, and we went to our September board meeting with very little information about what revenue was in June, July, or August. In fact, it wasn't populated until at the very end of September in order to do a reverse accrual in October. Which is what you can see from the history, that that's when the reverse accrual occurs for the Department of Revenue.

The payments are received on a quarterly basis because the mines get a certain amount of time to pay that. And then the Department of Revenue, I believe, gets somewhere between 30 to 45 days, I can't remember that exact date, to enter that information into the accounts and do the processing of the payments that they have to do.

So that's why we're looking at that, that quarter. Then they have that time to take care of it. But, but they're also doing some reconciliation, because it's the beginning of the fiscal year. So that's why we, last time, saw the data populated in July and August late in September. So it won't -- I'm guessing here because we don't know when will that revenue come into, into the account credited in June. So we can, we can hold them contingent upon availability of funds for the rest of the fiscal year, for this -- excuse me, this 2018 fiscal year.

And we also don't how much revenue, so it could be up or down based on when you look at the appropriation.

And remember that we're talking about two different things: One's appropriation, and one's revenue. So I was explaining this earlier, think about your coffee cup. If your coffee cup is full of appropriation but you only get to have revenue poured in to halfway, you only get to drink halfway up the cup; that's the revenue. If your appropriation is only half of a cup but your revenue goes to the top, you still only get to drink half of it.

Because it's based either -- well, it's based on the appropriation, but the amount of available funds in the account is the revenue; it's the cash in the account.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Now, the action that you need from the Board is to -- So we need to act on that or we can allow it to continue --

MS. OLSON: So what we will do -- And it would be great to have confirmation from the Board --

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yeah.

MS. OLSON: What we will be doing is still waiting for revenue to come in for 0841, 0842, 0845, and 0846, those projects. We won't be entering contracts until we see revenue.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Right.

MS. OLSON: This is going to be a more important conversation as we go to the end of the biennium. Because if you make awards and you make it contingent upon, we would make contracts contingent upon, but that's a slippery slope because we still won't know what the available revenue is for June. So if the available revenue doesn't come in sufficient to pay for those contracts, then you're essentially awarding funds that you don't have the authority to award.

So contingent upon available revenue is very critical to how the Board proceeds. So we will be waiting for revenue to come into the account before we enter into these contracts. Of course, if they come in in July for some reason, we will enter into contracts right away with those grantees.

So just your confirmation that that's the process that we'll be moving forward with and there's not other direction from the Board.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. So what action do you need from the Board?

MS. OLSON: I guess just a confirmation that we'll wait for those to be entered into contract, which will happen in the subsequent fiscal year upon
availability of revenue.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: With a priority of the order in which we discussed.

MS. OLSON: So it will still go in this order of 0841 through 0846.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.

MS. OLSON: Which is what the Board had previously established as a priority order.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: But wouldn't 0848 be the top priority?

MS. OLSON: Which is not part of -- That's not really part of the factor. It's these --

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Just the latest ones.

MS. OLSON: These four.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Just the latest ones. Yes.

MS. OLSON: Uh-huh. And let me talk a little bit about 0848. We are short just under $5,000 -- sorry, $3,000 to meet it, so we're going to enter into a contract with MSUB because we feel pretty confident that we'll come up with $3,000 in revenue. I think that's a pretty safe bet. So we're going to move forward with that one, but the other ones are really subject to a larger amount of funds coming in.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. So you need board action on confirmation?

MS. OLSON: Yep. Yep. I think we'd like to have the Board's concurrence on --

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. So we can do that now.

MS. OLSON: And, of course, any other questions, and if the public has questions as well.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Let's go ahead and have a motion on that confirmation of that activity.

MS. OLSON: And before you make your motion, you might want to have public comment as well.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Well, no. I'm going to do a motion and then I'll do comments --

MS. OLSON. Oh. I'm sorry.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: -- and then I'll do public comment. Okay?


CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. A motion on that?

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: So moved.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Second.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Discussion of the Board?

Discussion of the public?

MR. KENNEDY: Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission, Bill Kennedy, CEO of MSU Billings Foundation.

The question I have, Mr. Chairman, Jennifer, would be that if these projects were to come out of fiscal year '19, and once the State of Montana -- And the delay is as those dollars come in, and there's usually a two-to-three-month delay sometimes, as those come in, do you leave dollars on the table for fiscal year '18 or do those dollars, are they pushed into fiscal year '19?

MS. OLSON: Mr. Chairman. Thanks for the question, Mr. Kennedy. Let me answer it this way: We don't know what the revenue is, so based on the available funds in the account, that could happen. So as we look towards the next fiscal year, we're sitting in the biennium entirely, that will be a very critical question that we have to figure out as we get into the next -- at the end of this biennium, the next fiscal year. If the funds are not awarded, they always stay in the Coal Natural Resource Account.

MR. KENNEDY: Okay.

MS. OLSON: So it doesn't change from -- you know, the Coal Natural Resource Account, if you don't use it, then it automatically reverts to another account.

However, of course, the Legislature would have to give the appropriation and authority to access those funds in the future biennium. And additionally, the Legislature could choose to move those funds elsewhere.

So on the table is a lot of potentials in regards to other things that could happen. And we can, like I said, look at talking about making those funds contingent upon so that we can actually obligate them. But the challenge there is, as we can see from the history, occasionally -- well, actually, it's kind of all over the map. Sometimes the Department of Revenue overestimates, sometimes they underestimate.

So then if they underestimate -- And let me explain what that means. If they say, we think there's going to be $600,000 in June, but really only $300,000 comes in, they have to then take it from that future fiscal year and backfill that previous fiscal year. So that's where it's a bit of a guessing game.

MR. KENNEDY: My biggest concern was the dollars that did come in in '18, even though it was delayed before it was approved, that it would just have to stay in '18. But as long it's in '19 too -- I just want to make sure the full amount stays during this biennium.

MS. OLSON: Yeah. And so if those funds for the, let's say hypothetically the '19 revenue still is below the authority or appropriation, then we'd still be able to access 100 percent of them. If it exceeds the authority, then we would be in another question.

MR. KENNEDY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Thank you.

Other comments?
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.  Other comments as it relates to the motion?

Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Frederickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

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BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

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MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

Thank you.  The motion has passed.

Okay.  Any other business as it relates to the issue?

Next item on the agenda, Jennifer.

MS. OLSON: Mr. Chairman I'm going to hand this over to Anne to do project updates.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.

MS. PICHETTE: Mr. Chairman and Board Members, if you'd like to turn to the first spreadsheet behind the budget pages Jennifer was mentioning.  It's got a blue line at the top and then a gray line close to the top as well.  Those are your 2015 and 2017 projects.

No. 0742 is at 85 percent spent.  They sent an update that they've had a short pause in the current construction they're doing, and they believe that construction will start again on the 25th of June.

You'll see that 0743 closed.

And then on this list, I'll go through some of them, but behind this list will be the actual letter requests that some of them have sent in for extension requests or scope of work changes.  So I'll do the quick update here, and then we can go through them one at a time, through your packet, for the ones that have requested extensions or changes.  And some of them may be here as well.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.  So any other -- so we'll continue on with the updates and then we'll come back and address those that have asked for extensions.

MS. PICHETTE: If that's what you'd like, or we can do it --

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.  Let's do it --

MS. PICHETTE: -- whichever way the Board would like.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yeah.  Let's go ahead and do that, and then we'll address those that have been -- those requests.
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.  The request on this page, No. 0825, since the time this spreadsheet was printed, has actually put in a letter that they may need to extend.  That contract does not expire until March of 2019.  Just a comment from myself.  For those projects that are before you.  And when you work it to reduce those processes that you are going through and the challenges that are before you.  And when you work it to reduce those processes, we already made the investment in the industries that are here today.

MS. PICHETTE: Mr. Chairman and Board, I'm sorry.  I just skipped over that one, but that's an extension request.  Sorry.  I printed this too small for myself.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.  Thank you.

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BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Which one was that?

MS. PICHETTE: So Mr. Chairman and Board, I apologize.  I missed one on my list.  No. 0825, since the time this spreadsheet was printed, has actually put in a request for $113,000 that's gone through, so they are now available to you from the award that we made, we really appreciate that.  We appreciate the sincerity of the process.

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BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: John, remember, he was retiring.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. The request on this is for this project to be extended to March 31st of year 2020, based on the information in that letter. I'll entertain a motion to that effect.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: So moved.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?

BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Discussion?

Comments from the public?

Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: I recuse because I work with the schools.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Tim Schaff.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Yes.

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MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

Okay. That is approved to extend the contract to that date.

Next item, next request.

MS. PICHETTE: The next request in your packet is from Big Horn County Board of County Commissioners. It is for Project No. 0785. And they believe they need until October 31st of this year.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: This is a request on Application 0785 to extend the date of that to October the 31st, 2018. I'll entertain a motion.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: This is Marianne Roose. I make a motion that we approve that request.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?

BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: It's been seconded.

Discussion?

Comments from the public?

Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Recuse.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

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MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: I'll abstain.

That request is approved.

Next, please.

MS. PICHETTE: The next request in your packet is from the City of Colstrip, No. 0759, and you have their letter there that they're 95 percent complete.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: I'll entertain a motion.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: So moved.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Second.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Discussion from the Board?

I'll just make some comments as far as discussion on this project. This has been a big project for the City of Colstrip. It's a $2.5 million project, and it required a lot of processes to go through with the DEQ and other activities associated with completing this rehab project on the sewer system, the clarification system on the sewer plant. And the City has almost completed it. As a matter of fact, we anticipate we'll be completed probably by the end of, end of next week. This also required us to go through a bonding process, required about $1 million on a $2.5 million project.

So any other comments?

Comments from the public?

Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Tim Schaff.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: The next one before you has
two separate letters with two separate requests. It is
No. 0787 from the Crow Tribe. The first request is to
extend the contract. The second request is to change the
scope. So I'm not sure how you want -- if you want to
look at those individually or if you want to look at those
two letters together.

7. BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Mr. Chairman, I think you
need to do those separately.

8. CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yeah. Let's go ahead and
we'll work on them separately. And we'll go through the
first to extend the contract and then to change the scope.

9. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: This is Marianne Roose. I
make a motion that we approve the request for extension.

10. CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second, please.

11. BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Second.

12. CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: It's been moved and seconded
to extend the contract to the December 31st, 2020 date.

Discussion?

13. Comments from the public?

14. Vote, please.

15. MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

16. VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

17. MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

18. BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

19. MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

20. MS. BEMENT: Sure.

21. MS. BEMENT: Yes.

22. MS. BEMENT: Sure.

23. MS. BEMENT: Yes.

24. MS. BEMENT: Yes.

25. MS. BEMENT: Yes.

The next letter in your packet is
a request for a change of scope. This is for one of the
projects that was awarded last June, so it is not
currently under contract as they've requested a change in
scope before the contract could be executed. And in that
packet, you've got the information of why they want to
change the items they're purchasing and the difference
between what the Board approved in June and what the new
request is.

1. BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

2. MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

3. BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.


5. BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.


7. BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Yes.

8. MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.

9. CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

That is approved. Thank you.

The next item is to expand the scope of this
particular project. There's no other request other than
that as far as any types of additional funding or
anything, but it goes through an explanation of expanding
the scope to include other activities and to change the
way the original presentation was made for this project to
the Board.

So I will entertain a motion to approve the scope
changes as are identified in the June 6th letter.

1. BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: So moved.

2. CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?

3. BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Second.

4. CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: It's been moved and seconded.

Discussion?

Comments from the public?
1 So I would entertain a motion to approve the request
2 from the Northern Cheyenne Utility Commission to change
3 the scope of the project. The award amount stays the same
4 at $170,346 [verbatim].
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6 BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: So moved.
7 CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?
8 BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Second.
9 CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: It's been moved and seconded.
10 Discussion?
11 Comments from the public?
12 Okay. Vote, please.
13 MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.
14 VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.
15 MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.
16 BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.
17 MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.
18 BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.
19 MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.
20 BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.
21 MS. PICHETTE: Tim Schaff.
22 BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.
23 MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.
24 BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Yes.
25 MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.
26 CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.
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28 MS. PICHETTE: Thank you.
29 CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Thank you very much. Okay.
30 Where are we at now?
31 MS. PICHETTE: And then a letter that's not in
32 your packets, that came after your packets, is from
33 Musselshell County, and it's a thank you letter. But
34 they've addressed it to you, so I want to make sure we
35 hand out copies to you now.
36 And then the next section -- the next page in your
37 packet, you will see some documents provided from
38 grantees. At the last meeting, you asked for follow-up
39 from some of them during your awards. The following pages
40 are the documents they have provided. The first one is a
41 set of minutes from Roundup, and that was for
42 Project 0838, which was for an end dump truck purchase.
43 The next packet is three pages from the Rosebud County
44 Commissioners, and that was for Project 0836 for the
45 Rosebud County Sheriff's Office equipment.
46 And then the last set of correspondence is
47 correspondence that the Board received following the last
48 meeting with some questions about one of the applications.
49 In there for you is the response from Commerce. It also
50 includes the letter from the Chairman, as a member of the
51 public wrote the Chairman directly. So Chairman Williams
52 sent it over to Commerce. So this packet also includes
53 costs. The applicant states the need to rehabilitate the
54 system to address specific problems associated with the
55 system, including the replacement of Lift Station 1,
56 components for Lift Station 2, evaluation of the
57 collection system, and other items as relating to the
58 system. The applicant has stated they also plan to
59 further quantify the extent of the lagoon leakage.
60 CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.
61 MS. PICHETTE: And Mr. Chairman, their
62 environmental is complete on this request.
63 CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Pardon me?
64 MS. PICHETTE: Their environmental documentation
65 is complete on this request.
66 CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Town of Hysham.
67 MAYOR FINK: My name is Larry Fink. I'm the
68 mayor of Hysham, unfortunately for about the last
69 30 years. But I did get rid of one of my jobs. I retired
70 from the school after 42 years in Hysham. And one of my
71 students will actually give a lot of the talk to it.
72 Bob Keele, our maintenance person, was not able to attend.
73 He has been babysitting the lift station because of the
74 extra rain going into it.
75 We are changing the amount that we are requesting. We
76 are going to change it down to $60,000 at this time for
77 just the engineering part so that we can at least maybe
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I'd hate to see him drown down there sooner or later.

continue. Because, as I say, our maintenance person --

money at the time, at least have an idea that we can

finished a major water project, kind of deleted everything

water systems. The applicant is requesting $500,000, of a total

project of cost of $9,632,830, in coal board funds to

rehabilitation of Lift Station 1, when it failed last winter, the pumps failed, the Town had to

get a, basically a refurbished pump that they had in the

back of their maintenance shop to get in the lift station

to keep it running at this time. It does kind of click

and clank, and it's in pretty rough shape, but operating

now.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Other questions or comments?

I'll just make a couple. You guys, I understand the

challenges, particularly on these small towns, cities and

towns type of thing. I mean, you're looking at taking on

more debt than what you already have in order to get the

project, because these projects are very costly, and

you've got a small population. What's your population in

Hysham?

MAYOR FINK: You know, really, I couldn't tell

you right offhand. But being there for 42 years, when we

first went there the high school had 120 students in it.

Our whole school last year had 56, K through 12. So our

population town-wise I think has probably, in those

40 years, dropped by half. And like myself, we're a

retired part now.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Mayor, do you know what your

total debt is? What's your debt on your town?

MAYOR FINK: That I couldn't tell you right

offhand. We just finished the $2.5 million water project.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: On your water tank?

MAYOR FINK: On our water tank. And we raised

the sewer rate just recently so that we would have more

money going into that account.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. I appreciate that.

You know, I'm well aware of not only do you pay your taxes

but you've got water and sewer rates that you pay and you

have to bond yourselves in order for that to occur and

borrow the money and put that obligation back on your

residents. It's a challenge to keep things going. So

thank you for that.

Thank you.

Next is 0850, and this is the Big Horn County Memorial

Hospital request for $500,000. And I know, Bill, you've

already stated it, but we'll go ahead and we'll introduce

it, and then you can do your action request.

MS. PICHETTE: No. 0850, Big Horn County Memorial

Hospital renovation and equipment updates, $500,000.

The applicant is requesting $500,000, of a total

project of cost of $9,632,830, in coal board funds to

complete the renovation of the hospital and the

replacement of equipment. The request to the Board is

5 percent of the project costs. The applicant states the

need to upgrade equipment and renovate the existing
MR. REDDEN: Good morning, Mr. Chairman, Members of the Board.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Thank you. Questions from the Board?

MS. PICHETTE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. No. 0581, Big Horn County, excavator purchase.

BIG HORN COUNTY COMMISSIONER: Thank you. No. 0651, Big Horn County, excavator purchase, $165,000. The applicant is requesting $165,000, of a total project cost of $240,000, in coal board funds to complete the purchase of an excavator. The request to the Board is 69 percent of the project costs. The applicant states the need to purchase an excavator as the road department does not currently own one.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Big Horn County, please.

MR. REDDEN: Good morning, Mr. Chairman, Members of the Board. My name is Matt Redden. I'm the road superintendent for Big Horn County. It is true we don't have an excavator right now. We've never had one. We've been using backhoes and whatnot to get things done. This will help the County get things done more faster and more efficiently.

The situations, you know, with the flooding going on their best in that short amount of time they have the window for the excavator. You know, we replaced one up in Little Bighorn Valley, a big culvert, and we just had one collapse in North Valley. You know, roads, we've got 1,000 miles of Big Horn County road. And this would be a great asset for our fleet.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Questions from the Board?

MR. REDDEN: Yes. If it's not funded, you'll continue to rent equipment?

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: It's just a lot of money for, for a piece equipment if you can currently get by without it.

MR. REDDEN: Well, the thing -- Excuse me. The thing about that is, is when you try renting one, you have a scheduled time. Like the chairman, George, was talking about with the culvert that we had to go out there on Wyola, we was trying to install that during a rainstorm and snow in April, trying to get that completed because we only had allotted time to get in there to get this done. So we're trying to crowd everything in that time zone when we rent one, so it's kind of tough for us to do.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Have you checked the availability of a good used piece of equipment?

MR. REDDEN: No. Well, you can, but you don't...
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So any questions?

Chairman Williams: Questions?

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Chairman Williams: Oh, I understand that. When you buy anything used, that's the challenges that are out there before you. I also know that there are pieces of equipment out there that have low mileage and low hours on them that are available at a cheaper rate.

Mr. Redden: And when we do get this, we'll -- you know, we maintain everything that we have. We have a pretty good maintenance program. It will last us a long time. So...

Chairman Williams: Other questions?

Okay. Thank you.

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within our community. This is also our first request with the Coal Board and also the first request from Fergus County.

A little information on the project. This project is located on city property. Some of it, the adjacent property, was acquired through the Rails to Trails Program. As the railroad pulled out of our community, the City purchased the adjacent railroad and adjacent railroad properties to also locate this facility. The City of Lewistown did acquire some private property.

It is located on our Main Street, which is a U.S. Highway, and adjacent to our renowned Big Spring Creek. It is the source of our water and also a blue ribbon trout stream. It is approximately a block and a half from our historic downtown, and, you know, like all downtowns across the country, we've seen a definite economic impact, you know, so this is something that we're hoping will provide future development in the downtown and also increase foot traffic to those businesses that are hurting in today's economic climate.

You'll hear more about how this project is a catalyst for future development in our downtown and also how this project is part of the larger community project shortly.

You'll also hear kind of the history of coal in our community and how that played an instrumental part in what community and how that played an instrumental part in what hurt our court reporter to be accurate in the minutes. And then the Board, definitely using your microphones also helps. Cheryl is pretty awesome, but she does use the recorder to kind of go back and listen, so that's going to be very helpful for her.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Thank you.

Next is 0853, Lewistown.

MS. PICHETTE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So 0853, City of Lewistown, Creekside Central Station restroom facility and kiosk, $226,000.

The applicant is requesting $226,000, of a total project cost of $276,860, in coal board funds to complete the construction of a year-around public restroom facility. The request to the Board is 82 percent of the project costs. The applicant states the need to provide public facilities for the trail system. The abandoned railway has become a 20-plus-mile-long trail system and the reason this facility is needed.

MS. PHELPS: Good morning, Chairman, Members of the Board. My name is Holly Phelps. I am city manager for the City of Lewistown and a lifelong resident of Lewistown. As you've heard, we're requesting funds for the first and only year-around restroom facility located

in our community is today and where we are going in the future.

Adjacent to this restroom and this facility, a private business has invested about $4 million into a brewery and restaurant development. And this, again, will be the first and only year-around restroom facility located in our community. Our community serves as a hub for several communities. We have a hospital, and a very good hospital, that employs a lot of employees from the surrounding area, so there's a lot of employees that come in to work in Lewistown and often spend time, you know, frequenting our restaurants, eating in our parks, and enjoying our facilities too. So that serves the need of employees in our area as well.

To touch on the planning components of this, as you know, there is not a lot of planning funds available currently. I know it was pointed out that the need for a public restroom was addressed in previous master plans and other planning documents. The most recent downtown master plan the City of Lewistown has is a 2005 document. It was pointed out in that document, as well in our urban renewal plan, which was done in 2014.

We recently had a very long planner retirement. That employee was employed with the City of Lewistown for about 20 years, and he recently retired, so there was a vacancy

in our planning department for about a year. We recently hired a new city planner and recognized the importance to update those documents. So as funds become available, we will be addressing the need for updates to those required documents.

At this time, I'm going to turn it over to my cohorts.

MS. SWEENEY: Chairman Williams, Coal Board Members, good morning. I'm Karen Sweeney, with Snowy Mountain Development Corporation. It's been a while since I've been before the Coal Board. It's very, very nice to be back.

I want to talk to you a little bit about the coal impacts. Lewistown does not have a current operating mine, nor is there one in Fergus County, so it may seem odd that we're coming before you with a coal impact project. However, we have quite a history with coal, and in the application we included a map from DEQ, and it showed 94 abandoned mine land sites in Fergus County. The majority of those were very close to Lewistown.

From 1880 to 1950, residents of central Montana were entirely dependent upon coal for their heat, and it was also a primary source they used for cooking. And it was used by businesses as well as families. The railroad was built into Lewistown in 1903, and not only did the railroad use the coal to operate, to fuel their trains,
but they hauled coal from some of the mines for use by the residents and businesses. Montana Power brought natural gas into Lewistown around 1950, and thus most of the mines were abandoned close to that time.

In 1980, the railroad running through Lewistown was abandoned, and the railways were rail banked under the management of the City of Lewistown. And now those abandoned railways are utilized for Lewistown’s extensive trail system. And if you haven’t been in Lewistown and checked those out, I would encourage you to do so. We’re very fortunate to have those in Lewistown.

There’s a poster up here, and it talks about one of the larger mines that was in the Lewistown area, and it’s called the Spring Creek Mine. It’s only a couple miles south of Lewistown, and it was -- at the time, it covered about 900 acres of land. It employed about 125 miners, and the production was about 250 tons of coal per day in its prime.

A few -- several years ago, a lot of local effort and a lot of resources were used to clean that area up. It’s also known as Brewery Flats, and there was just a great effort to get that cleaned up because of the mine there.

And it is, it actually became the first component of our trail system. It’s a very popular area now that connects to the rest of the trails, and it’s a big asset for.

In Lewistown today, there are still hundreds of descendents of the area coal mine operators and employees residing in and near Lewistown. When I looked at some of the history and looked at the list of names, I recognized many of them as their descendents are still on that property where those mines were located. We actually have two Signal Peak mine employees that reside in Lewistown. And one of the Census Bureau maps that we put into the application shows that there are five Montana coal miners that live in Fergus County.

Fergus Electric Co-Op is located in Lewistown. They have about 22 employees, and they are one of the major suppliers for Signal Peak Mine, being a utility, and the mine actually pays about a half a million dollars a month to them. So we have that tie in our area with the coal mine.

I’m with Snowy Mountain Development Corporation, as is Kathie Bailey, and we are the region’s economic development organization. We cover six counties in central Montana. And we’ve provided assistance to coal-impacted communities for 17 years now. We’re very active in the Musselshell County, Golden Valley County areas, work with the Roundup people. And we’re often host to meetings regarding those coal impact topics. And also, some of the employees or organizations that are coal impacted do meet in Lewistown.

So we’re kind of a regional hub, as Holly mentioned, but also because we are in the dead center of Montana, we are a central location for many activities around the state. We’re also known statewide because it’s so easy for everyone across the state to get to us.

One thing I would like to talk to you briefly about -- Chairman Williams, if I may hand out a summary on the mill levy. Is that okay?

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Sure.

MS. SWEENEY: So it was pointed out in the staff report that the average of the three years of mill levy rates for Lewistown was higher than the current rate.

However, I've done a quick little summary and attached the annual tax backup information. And it does show that both under the general mill levy rates and the total, which includes health and a government study, that the average rate is below the current rate, which is highlighted on your top sheet. So I’m not sure where that discrepancy comes from, but the information that we obtained shows that we do fall into that requirement.

I want to talk briefly about need. As mentioned by Holly, Lewistown has no year-around public restroom facilities at all. So not only is it a problem for trail users -- I’m a trail user and sometimes I’l walk for an hour or more. And if you need a break there’s nowhere to go unless you, like, go to the Yogo Inn or use a business, which is not really what we like to do in our community.

But it’s not just trail users. It’s other recreationalists. Visitors that come to Lewistown, they have to stop at a gas station. There’s just nowhere for them to go. Shoppers downtown. So this is really a needed facility that has been on the planning list for many, many, many years.

And we’re very concerned because I’m about to explain to you the hub that this area is going to become, and we are concerned with increased activity and large crowds there. We’re concerned about the impacts to the environment of not having proper facilities there. And we’re a little concerned about -- we could get in violation with some of the state or federal health and safety standards as our public use does increase.

Next, I’d like to talk about our local effort. And this one is really fun to talk about. Since Snowy Mountain has been a partner in this project, we’re pretty intimately involved. And our Creekside Central Station which we’ve proposed to you is actually a component of a much larger community project known as Creekside Marketplace and Pavilion. And if you can see on the
And that's the vision we have for the other side of Main Street. It's very beautiful, and we want to continue that onto our project site.

I do want to tell you how great the community has been. The main partners in this, it started as a Recharge Our Community workshop activity. We had about 60 volunteers, just people interested in the community, gather, and this project came out of one of the groups that formed because of that effort. And that group partnered with the City, partnered with Friends of the Trails, and partnered with the Snowy Mountain Development Corporation to lead this project and make it happen.

The project cost estimate, the entire project, with a $200,000 endowment that was budgeted for so that if there's future major improvements needed, repairs needed, such as a new roof, say in 20 years, we have the funds that we can take care of this facility. But the total budgeted cost is $1.68 million. To date, we have met 76 percent of that goal, and that includes over $720,000 from private donations and fundraising events. We have received cash donations from 107 individuals and businesses plus an additional 15 businesses where people have made pledges. And we have offers for an additional 12 in-kind donations, such putting in a security system or an irrigation system, those types of things. So we have 134 parties who have already contributed to this.

One really neat thing is we had a partnership formed that's never happened before where we had four service and faith organizations partnered together to pledge $25,000 for the project to build the children's play area. And that's the Rotary, the Kiwanis, the Jaycees, and then the New Life Assembly of God Church. It's really neat to see the community come together. And everyone wants this. It's been a really easy sell for the community.

We have had two fundraising events. Our first was a kickoff in November of 2017, and we just held one again in April of this year, to try to raise funds. And we did raise funds at both of those. Another $554,000 has been committed with other grants and in-kind activity done by a construction company and also utilization of city funds that are available. We've received a total of seven grants. Some of them are small. They range from, like, $5,000 to $100,000. But we have just applied for everything we can find, and so we've had some success with that. Since the application was sent in, we got $11,000.

I won't step over there because I'll lose the microphone. Since the application was sent in, we got $11,000.
from the Central Montana Foundation, and NorthWestern Energy has committed $6,000 to us. So we still need about $403,000 to complete this entire project, the bulk of which is for that restroom facility. That is the final component to complete this project.

And then Holly mentioned briefly the $4 million project for the brewery, and I just wanted to mention that that business is expected to provide 25 full-time equivalent jobs to our area’s low-to-moderate-income residents. So it’s going to be huge for us. And they will be opening in a couple weeks.

Now, I’d like to point out in the architect’s rendition, I think we’ve kind of shown you where things are, but again, it’s only about a block and a half from Main Street. We think this is going to have a huge economic impact for downtown Lewistown. We have kind of been plagued with some empty storefronts, and we really think this is going to give people the confidence to invest in the rest of downtown, because it’s cleaning it up and it’s going to bring a lot of activity to that area.

So between the brewery and restaurant and Creekside, we think that it’s really going to help Lewistown. We are requesting $226,000 from the Coal Board. I do want to mention that we haven’t been at the table before, have really no plans to come back. This is kind of our one-time coal impact project. And we have committed funds of a little over $50,000 as match for this project. And it’s just been a very exciting thing, and it’s happening pretty quickly.

So I would like Kathie Bailey to come and wrap things up and talk to you a little about a couple of remaining topics.

MS. BAILEY: I’m Kathie Bailey, with Snowy Mountain Development Corporation. I’m the mop-up crew today.

So just a couple things. We noted in the staff report that the environmental indicated that it wasn’t complete. We were a little confused. So I wanted to walk you through the steps. An environmental assessment was completed in September. It was available for public review on both our website and the City’s website. At the September 20th meeting, it was on the agenda. The agendas are posted, they’re put in the newspaper, and they’re also on the City’s website. You have a copy of the agenda in your packet. I believe it’s page, let me get you the -- 37, page 37 of Exhibit F.

As you can see, the EA stated that because environmental impacts are not negative and there is minimal construction, that it’s been determined that there is no significant environmental impact and therefore no EIA statement is required. They did also have action at that September 20th meeting declaring -- it was on the agenda, declaring there’s no significant impact and that Holly was authorized to sign that uniform environmental checklist. That was noted in the minutes on page 41.

There was an opportunity for public comment at that time. This is in 2017, September 2017.

Again, when the application was submitted on April 2nd of 2018, it was on the agenda once again. And again, it was in the minutes that there was no, no significant impact and that they were going to submit the application.

So once again, the public had another opportunity to comment both on this application and on any environmental issues. So hopefully that explains the environmental process and how the public was involved in that process.

Also, I think it’s really important that you have accurate information, and I wanted to address an issue in the staff report. The staff report talks about a TED District and it was in the Snowy Mountain Development Corporation’s CEDS 2017. It was not. I wrote that document. The TEDD was not mentioned in there at all.

I’m not really sure why the staff put it in their staff report. The TEDD is not relevant to this project at all. It’s not located in this area at all. There is no potential benefit from this project from the TEDD. And I’m not sure where they got it, because we didn’t put it in the application. But I did want to make sure that you knew that that information was totally irrelevant.

And if you had any questions, we are now open for questions. We’re excited about this project, as you can see. And I did want to kind of just reiterate that when they talk about more than 70 percent of the funding of that $1.6 million, we’ve only got $10,000 that’s in state or federal funds. The City has put some funds into it, but otherwise, it’s pretty much private donations.

Questions?

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Questions from the Board?

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yeah, I guess I have a question more for probably this board. Have we ever given funds on the basis that coal was shipped to a community? Because I feel like every town in Montana can make that argument. So do we know -- I mean, coal was shipped to Butte and Anaconda until 1980. Are we going to have Anaconda folks coming up here and trying to get money from us? I guess I was just wondering about a little bit of history on that.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: You know, I guess I can’t -- I don’t know of any activity that would fit in that.
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: That's what we have to go by, the statutory criteria for coal.

And of course, Kathie, that's my problem, that's my hangup too. We've got to follow the statutory requirement. But I'm not aware of anything.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: It can be awarded outside as long as it meets the statutory requirement. Any place is eligible as long as it meets the statutory criteria for coal board grants. Designated communities, just to reiterate, indicates that this amount has to go into coal-impacted areas.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Thank you. You know, I think it's a great project also. And of course, the thing that I focus in on right at the top, provide governmental services to facilities that are needed as a direct consequence of an increase or decrease in coal development or in the consumption of coal by a coal-using energy complex.

So all good projects. You know, the Lewistown project, I really compliment Lewistown for what they're doing to revitalize their community. And certainly, they need to search out every opportunity available to fund those projects. It's a very worthwhile project. It's one that has merit. But when I look at the statutory requirement -- and understand that as we make these awards, our actions are reviewed by those that will be in the future looking as to funding for impact areas.

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CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay.
25 to the applicants as we go through these if there are other issues associated with their grant -- with their requested amount of money. If we have some other thoughts or ideas or we would like them to provide additional information in support of their request, we could do so at this time, and then that would give the applicant the opportunity to move on that prior to our next meeting that is scheduled to occur on the 20th of September. 

Okay. Having said that, we will go right down the list. Our first grant request is Town of Hysham, 0849, and this is for the Phase I of the wastewater system rehab. Now, the applicant made the request during their presentation that this request be changed to a new number as far as funds requested. They've requested that that be changed to a request of $60,000. So what I would like to do with this applicant is I will entertain the motion to change the amount requested to the $60,000 and then go the next step on how we are going to address that request. So I will entertain a motion to change the requested amount to $60,000 based on the information provided by the applicant.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Second.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: It's been moved and seconded to change the amount requested to $60,000. Discussion?

MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Other discussion?

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Mr. Chairman, so can we -- So I think -- It's my view that all these projects are great projects and should go forward. Can we table all of them rather than going through each one or --

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yeah.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: I think we could.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: I think what we need to --

What I would like to do is address each one individually.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Okay.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Other discussion?

Vote.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Yes.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Chairman Williams.
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

It's passed to table that. Now, this would be tabled to the next meeting. These have to come up at the next meeting, which is in September.

Next applicant is 0850, and prior to many of our discussions, the applicant has indicated their desire to have it tabled. So I will entertain a motion to table 0850.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: So moved.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second?

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Second.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Discussion?

Discussion from the public?

Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Tim Schaff.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

So that is passed to table that application to the next meeting.

Next applicant is 0851, Big Horn County. This is a request for an excavator purchase. The amount requested is $165,000. I'll entertain a motion.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Mr. Chairman, move to table.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: I second.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Moved and seconded. Discussion?

I've got a comment to the Big Horn County request on this. And that would be one of the things that I see, a purchase for a new piece of equipment that has not been utilized but has been used as a -- what you've been doing, a rental. And I raised the issue of whether or not you had pursued looking at a used piece of equipment. And I would ask Big Horn County to consider that on a piece of equipment such as an excavator.

I know oftentimes, particularly on large pieces of equipment, there are opportunities to purchase out there at a lesser amount, particularly on a piece of equipment that is not going to be utilized to the full extent that you would anticipate for something of the magnitude of this purchase. So that's my suggestion to Big Horn County.

Other questions or comments from the public? Okay. Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Amber Henning.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Marianne Roose.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Tim Schaff.

BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

Okay. Thank you. That has passed to be tabled. The next item is the City of Hardin, and this is the fire station pumper that has been requested. The amount there is $162,500. I will entertain a motion to table.

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: So moved.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: And second, please.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Second.

It's been moved and seconded to table. Discussion?

One question that I had on that pumper: The prices that you got, are those good prices that you've received?

MR. CONNELLY: Yes. Those are quotes.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: So that's a good quote that -- so that's an active quote.

MR. CONNELLY: Yep, as of a few months ago.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Very good. Thank you.

Other questions of the public? Okay. Vote, please.

MS. PICHETTE: Vice-Chair Fitzpatrick.

VICE-CHAIR FITZPATRICK: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Shawn Fredrickson.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Yes.

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BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Yes.

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BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: Yes.

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BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.

MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

Okay. Thank you.
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BOARD MEMBER SCHAFF: Yes.
MS. PICHETTE: Veronica Small-Eastman.
BOARD MEMBER SMALL-EASTMAN: Yes.
MS. PICHETTE: Chairman Williams.
CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Yes.

Okay. Thank you. That's passed to table.

We have no other old business. This also gives the --

Now if the public has other comments to address the Board,
they're welcome to at this time.

Okay. Under Board Matters, we currently have a
meeting time scheduled for September the 20th for our next
meeting, and it's my suggestion to the Board that we meet
in Colstrip. And Colstrip would be glad to host the Board
for that meeting, and what I would do would be to set up a
visit with the coal company there, Westmoreland, and to do
a tour of the, of the mine and some projects that have
been funded within our community.

This is the 50-year celebration in Colstrip of Western
Energy's mine. That's the Rosebud Mine. And so that
would -- I'm sure that would kind of fit with some of the
discussions that they would share with the Coal Board.

Western Energy, from the time they began their mining --
most recent operation of mining in Colstrip, they will
have mined over 500 million ton of coal there.
So I could do something there in relationship to that
mine celebration and also request some discussions from
the, from the plant people. Though we may not be able to
tour that, we could have some discussions where they would
provide us information on all of the coal that has been
burned in Colstrip and what their future plans are for
their operating of those mines. I'd be glad to do that if
the Board would like for that to occur.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: Mr. Chairman, I think
going down to Colstrip is a great idea. I would ask if
maybe we could move it to the week of September 13th, if
that is possible with -- a possible date with the other
board members.

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: That works for me. Is that
within the guidelines?

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: We could. It doesn't work
for me. I'll be out of the country that day, so -- that
week. So earlier or later would be workable.

Other discussion on that from the Board?

BOARD MEMBER HENNING: Would it be possible to go
a week later?

BOARD MEMBER ROOSE: I can't go a week later, but

that's all right.

BOARD MEMBER FREDRICKSON: I can make the 20th
work.

CHAIRMAN WILLIAMS: Okay. Then that's what we
will do. We'll set it up for that period of time at
Colstrip. Okay with everybody?

Okay. And also, if the Board -- Are there any other
items to address to have on the agenda for the next
meeting? Are there any items that the Board would
request?

Okay. Hearing none, then we'll go with what we have
before us and with the new applicants at that time in
addition to those items that we have tabled at this
meeting.

Okay. Are there any other matters that need to come
before the attention of the Board?

Any other matters that the public would like to bring
up at this time?

Okay. Well, thank you all for coming. Appreciate
your being here. And thank you, Board Members and staff.

I'll adjourn the meeting.

(The proceedings concluded at 1:09 p.m.)

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# Budget Update

**September 2018**

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Budgeting vs Accounting
Budgeting Cycle

• Department budget preparation
• We use the estimated revenue to determine the appropriation needed
• This information is put into the budget and presented to the legislature in HB2
• The legislature either approves HB2 or amends it
• The legislature might amend the amount of revenue to be received by the Coal Board. In the past regular session, they amended the percentage from 2.9% to 5.8%
Budgeting Cycle

• If the legislature increases the revenue, they will need to increase the appropriation in HB2 or create another bill with appropriation authority. In the last regular session, HB 209 was the bill that provided the appropriation to match the estimated revenue increase.
Types of Appropriations

• Annual-this appropriation is available for one fiscal year. If we don’t obligate this appropriation by June 30 of that fiscal year, the appropriation goes away

• Biennial-this appropriation can be used for both years. There is an amount allocated to the first fiscal year. If we don’t obligate all of it, it will carry forward to the next fiscal year. In the second year, if we don’t obligate all of the appropriation, the appropriation goes away
Accounting

- Revenue is recorded when received except on June 30. For the first 3 quarters, cash is also received.
- At fiscal year end, Department of Revenue estimates what the 4th quarter revenue is going to be and they record it on SABHRS. This is called a revenue accrual.
- Cash is not received for the 4th quarter revenue until later in the fall.
- The cash will not be the same as the revenue that was recorded. It could be less or it could be more.
Methodology for awarding grants

- Cash vs appropriation—your appropriation is available on July 1 of each fiscal year. The goal is that the revenue that comes in for the whole fiscal year will be as much as the appropriation. You will receive cash to pay for the appropriation on a quarterly basis.

- Awarding grants for the amount of the cash available ensures that if the revenue doesn’t come in, we can pay for the grants we have awarded.
Year end challenges

- The 4th quarter revenue is estimated and we don’t know how much cash will actually be collected in the fall
  - DOR provides the revenue amounts at any time after July 1
- The appropriation might end on June 30, depending on how the legislature funded it. If it ends and we have not obligated the funds, we lose the appropriation. By not obligating the funds, we might have to go into the legislature for a supplemental appropriation to use the cash, which we have done once
- Possibility that awards can be made contingent upon available funds
Advice from an accounting perspective

• Award grants based on the amount of cash you have available for the first 3 quarters of the year
• If there is an appropriation that ends on June 30, award grants up to that amount and obligate the funds
• If the appropriation is going to continue to the next year, wait to award grants until you know what the revenue was for the 4th quarter
• The last year of the biennium, analyze the revenue and how much appropriation you have left. You should obligate the remaining appropriation with the understanding that if the cash doesn’t come in, you will have to use the revenue from the next biennium to pay for the difference
• You can not obligate or award funds that have not been authorized by the legislature
## Applications for Consideration
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Total Requested: $ 1,207,500.00
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