

January 8, 1996. Reginal Rudolph and Greg Staudinger took the Oath of Office as Councilman. Others present were: Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Greg Hennessy. Guest: Ken Forbregd.

The December 4, 1995 minutes were approved.

Library Heat. Steve will get the different options and costs for additional heat in the library for the February meeting. Council is interested in the efficiency rate also.

Water Treatment Plant Road. Miles Knudsen talked to Mayor Baldwin about the possibility of running an irrigation pivot over the road to the water treatment plant. The town has an easement for the road. Miles said if the easement won't allow him to run the pivot over the road, then he would like to move the road. Miles also thought the town was to tear the old reservoirs out when no longer in use. He said if the town wasn't going to, with council permission, he would. It was suggested that we get a map of this area from the SCS so we can see the boundaries.

Council discussed employee time sheets and the need to fill them out on a daily basis.

Recycling. Ken Forbregd discussed the possibility of placing a recycling trailer behind Hometown Market and The Other Place. The company of out of Sidney and affiliated with Turtle Lake, ND. The semi trailer has separate recycle bins and you need to enter the trailer to dispose of those items. Council doesn't have a problem with this, but if there is a mess, it will have to go.

Skating Rink. Raedelle talked to the council about the possibility of a skating rink on the upper pool park. Problem here is the underground sprinkler system. Council suggested Raedelle go to the school board.

Water Bill. Candy Jemtrud complained about her water bill 11-30-95. Water usage was 24,000 gal. and she said that there were no leaks and the toilets did not run. Usage the month prior was 3,000 gal. and usage the following month was back to normal 4,000 gal. Steve said he thought they were having sewer trouble and that the sewer had froze up. Council said water had to be running for the sewer to freeze up. Council also agreed that the water meter will not turn unless water goes through it. She will have to pay the bill.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #146 & 147 were approved and signed.

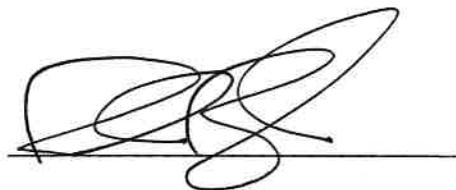
Rural Water. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to approve of Raedelle attending the Rural Water Conference in Great Falls, February 14 - 16. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

I, Reginal Rudolph,

do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect and defend
the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State
of Montana, and that I will discharge the duties of the office of

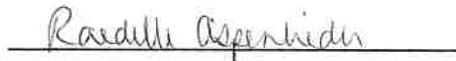
Councilman

with fidelity, so help me God.



DATED this 8th day of January, 1996.

ATTEST:



I, Greg Staudinger,

do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect and defend
the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State
of Montana, and that I will discharge the duties of the office of

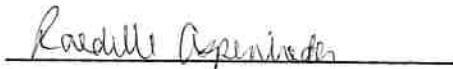
Councilman

with fidelity, so help me God.



DATED this 8th day of January, 1996.

ATTEST:



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Burlington Northern. Clerk read 2 letters from Burlington Northern: 1.) Concerning Randy Ficek employment with the Town of Culbertson and 2.) Provide information about any changes, modifications or alternations made to BN right of way within 500 feet of the crossing that is west of the depot at Culbertson within a 10 year period. Clerk has forwarded copies to Attorney Hennessy.

Landfill. Are we required to have pest control at a Class III Landfill?

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

General Fund:

MDU	626.67
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1378.02
Culb. State Bank	434.34
PERS	124.51
MT State Treasurer	218.81
Unemp. Ins. Div.	19.54
MMIA	176.92
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
Red's Electric	87.00
Hometown Market	6.81
Searchlight	11.00
Nemont Telephone	177.25
Larsen Lumber	10.62
Valley Telecommunications	22.66
Heiman Fire Equip., Inc.	108.00
A T & T	49.45
Culb. Imp. Co.	820.00
Finnicum's	19.00
TOTAL	\$4,415.60

Enterprise Fund:

MDU	747.25
O'Neil Housemoving	45.00
DNRC	32800.34
Culb. State Bank	162.50
Postmaster	69.54
William Carlisle	269.47
Abe Rumsey	150.71
Steve Moore	1424.24
Joyce S. Norris	107.03
Culb. State Bank	550.53
PERS	162.56
MT State Treasurer	276.62
Unemp. Ins. Div.	27.11
MMIA	493.93
Searchlight	81.50
Nemont Telephone	49.08
Larsen Lumber	34.72
Oelkers Servicenter	101.65
Miller Oil Co.	115.48
Farm Plan	45.00
Don Parsons	26.99
John Shipley	28.35
Gaffaney's	28.25
MT Dept. of Env. Quality	14.00
Farmers Elevator	39.60
Industrial Systems, Inc.	161.83
Tonka Equip. Co.	6376.57
HF Scientific, Inc.	1263.71
NW Pipe Fittings	567.31
Dana Kepner Co.	419.22
McKinney Motor	152.00
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Arrowhead Pest Control	75.00
Sheridan Electric	10.00
Finnicum's	62.55
TOTAL	\$51,752.14

Special Revenue Fund:

MDU	811.06
Steve Moore	251.33
Culb. State Bank	77.47
PERS	332.19
MT State Treasurer	12.79
Unemp. Ins. Div.	1.18
MMIA	19.38
Culb. Imp. Co.	2480.00
Culb. Pharmacy	3.99
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Triple M	40.45
Oelkers Servicenter	35.65
Miller Oil Co.	60.41
Kao's Welding	8.00
Farm Plan	158.43
Finnicum's	47.23
TOTAL	\$5,331.22

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Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk


Mayor

February 5, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Greg Hennessy and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Bernie W. Finnicum, Greg Staudinger and Steve Moore. Guests: Dave Plummer, Steve Baldwin, Ken Forbregd, Keenan Engelke, Miles Knudsen, Westen Houle, Michael Lannen, Lynn & Linda Labatte and Laura Christoffersen.

The January 8, 1996 minutes were approved.

Boy Scouts, Westen Houle and Michael Lannen, are working on a Citizenship in Community Merit Badge and will later visit with clerk about the town budget.

Water Outside Town Limits. Steve Baldwin is interested in running water west of Culbertson. Council has been approving water outside the town limits on a case-by-case basis.

Road to Water Plant. Council is looking into an alternate route to the water treatment plant. Miles Knudsen said he may be interested in the town abandoning easements that are not being used. Town will research the easements more at a later date.

Garbage. Lynn Labatte appeared with his Attorney Laura Christoffersen and requested a motion from the Council confirming the Town's intent to deny water service to persons who cease payments for Town garbage service. Town Attorney Greg Hennessy reported at Mayor Baldwin's request that preliminary research through the Montana League of Cities and Towns supported the Town's position to defend itself against a raid upon its customer base; that the Town had a legal duty to take the lowest bid for garbage service; that the Town signed a garbage contract which has to be paid for based upon the customers residing in Town in 1995, the same as it has for all previous contractors; that the Town customers have always had a right to buy extra service, but they must honor the contract they made with the low bidder or face a lawsuit for breach of contract; and that the Town Code has provided for decades for water shut-off for non-payment of garbage fees, but that no one has ever questioned it until Labatte lost the bid and decided to raid the Town's customers to make his truck payment.

Christoffersen said Labatte's position is that any Town garbage customer can terminate service at will, pay only for water service and continue receiving water. She also felt that the Town had a duty to renegotiate the Town contract down whenever a Town customer declined to accept Town garbage service and that the Town had no right to exclusive control of garbage service.

Ken Forbregd, on behalf of his grocery store reported that if Town customers can opt for no garbage service that commercial users would see some amount of garbage appearing in their dumpsters which was not produced by them, based on past experience.

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Garbage cont.

After many conflicting allegations about the quality of the current Town service, Town Clerk Raedelle Aspenlieder reported that only Gordon Miller had contacted Town Hall to request information in response to the Labatte newspaper ad soliciting Town garbage customers and that there is no noticeable difference in complaints based on contacts to Town Hall since the current contractor won the bid.

No motion was offered by any of the councilmen present.

Sheriff Deputy Car. Greg Staudinger wanted the council to be thinking about replacing the deputy car. Council agreed as we are obligated for the vehicle.

D & E Plummer Trucking - Sewer. Dave Plummer asked what he would have to do to comply if he were to wash out his tankers in his shop. The tankers haul vegetable oil and the detergent used is biodegradable with the vegetable oil. Clerk will check with the state on this.

Water School. Raedelle will be gone to Montana Rural Water Conference Feb. 14 - 16 in Great Falls. Joyce Norris will work mornings those days.

CI 105. Clerk read some information of concern dealing with CI105, the property tax freeze. The legislature will meet in 11 months and Raedelle would like to work with other clerks in Eastern Montana to see what we can do to get our message to the 1997 Legislature. Council agreed that Raedelle could spend some time on this issue.

Gordon Oelkers made a motion that a response in the newspaper about garbage collection was not necessary as town ordinance stands. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Gordon Oelkers and Reginal Rudolph. Absent and not voting: Bernie W. Finnicum and Greg Staudinger. MOTION CARRIED.

Road to Water Plant. Mayor Baldwin will figure the estimated cost for changing the road to the water treatment plant. Council decided to table action on an easement for road to treatment plant between Bruce Waldhausen and Town until the entire council can meet. Mayor Baldwin will call a special meeting of the council with Bruce Waldhausen.

Clerk has been advised by council to refer inquiries dealing with garbage collection to Attorney Hennessy.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

General Fund:

Postmaster	64.00
MDU	1004.73
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1379.02
Culb. State Bank	433.34
PERS	124.51
Dept. of Revenue	72.92
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
Hometown Market	5.34
Gaffaney's	265.56
Postmaster	24.00
Culb. State Agency	230.00

Enterprise Fund:

MT Rural Water Systems	85.00
MDU	1082.98
Postmaster	72.24
Steven Moore	1817.01
William Carlisle	406.13
Joyce S. Norris	114.05
Culb. State Bank	723.52
PERS	201.00
Dept. of Revenue	120.90
Hometown Market	29.64
Oelkers Servicenter	172.40

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General Fund cont:

IIMC	60.00
Cheryl A. Hansen, Election Ad.	518.85
Valley Telecommunications	40.14
A T & T	49.45
Mon-Dak Chemical	1659.72
Hennessy Law Office	932.64
Nemont Telephone Coop.	168.69
TOTAL	\$7,157.91

Special Funds:

MDU	1086.10
PERS	325.51
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Culb. Public Library	219.96
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Oelkers Servicenter	58.21
Miller Oil Co.	66.36
Finnicum's	76.62
Western Plains Mach.	143.20
TOTAL	\$2,967.62

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

Enterprise Fund cont:

Finnicum's	56.48
QBS	173.31
Raedelle Aspenlieder	330.90
Kohler Communications	109.70
Hi-Line Sewer & Culvert	1125.00
Farm Plan	13.24
Sheridan Electric Co-Op	2272.50
Franz Construction, Inc.	737.00
Northwest Pipe Fittings	629.17
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Pedersen Excavating	100.00
Sheridan Electric Co-Op	10.00
Dave Nickoloff	110.50
Robert Jasper	215.00
Dept. of Health & Human Serv	14.00
Nemont Tele. Coop.	49.49
TOTAL	\$15,583.66

J. L. Baldwin
Mayor

March 4, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, Greg Staudinger, James Baldwin, Steve Moore, Bill Carlisle, Greg Hennessy and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Guests: Betty & Gorm Pedersen, William Pfliger, Matthew Frye, Brett Finnicum, Kellen Forbregd, Scott Aspenlieder, Alan Aspenlieder and Keenan Engelke.

The February 5, 1996 minutes were approved.

Boy Scouts - Matthew Frye, Brett Finnicum, Kellen Forbregd and Scott Aspenlieder are working on a Citizenship in Community Merit Badge.

Water Outside Town Limits. Gorm & Betty Pedersen and William Pfliger are interested in running water to their property north of Culbertson. They said there are also others interested in running water north of the town limits: Steve & Pam Anders, Saddle Club and Jens Nielsen & Laura Christoffersen. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to grant request to hook on to town water with the condition the council will have final approval of water main and service line specifications. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. It was suggested they install a fire hydrant. Gorm & Betty asked if the supplies could be ordered through the town and they would then pay the town. Council had no problem with this.

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Water Storage Tank. Steve reported that the Town of Beach said they would take care of removing the concrete block water shack on the location where the 125,000 gal. tank sits. Council talked about putting a 2' concrete ring for edge of base of the 125,000 gal. tank and sand in the middle. The lines coming from the water plant will have to be located. Also discussed the possibility of a pit or culvert under the tank.

Fax Machine. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to purchase the Canon Fax-B340 from Will's Office World for \$795.00 and the stand for \$119. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Right-Of-Way Easement - Treatment Plant Road. Greg Staudinger made a motion to accept and approve a 50 foot wide interim Right-Of-Way Easement with Bruce & Judy Waldhausen to construct, maintain, and operate a private road. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Jim will meet with the county commissioners to see if the county can provide the equipment and operator.

Formal Complaint Form. Council reviewed formal complaint form. Attorney Hennessy said this is not Ordinance material, but internal policy and procedure. Greg Staudinger made a motion to use the formal complaint form. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasure State Endowment and CDBG Programs. Gordon Oelkers made a motion that Raedelle attend the TSEP and CDBG Program seminar in Glasgow on Tuesday, March 26th. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. One project the council discussed was sewer lagoon repairs. Sometimes it takes up to 2 years to secure the funding necessary for infrastructure repairs.

Summer Help. Raedelle said Abe Rumsey stopped in and asked if he would be able to work for the town again this summer. He would be available around May 13th. Steve and council discussed the problem last summer was there were times Abe was helping his dad on the farm when Steve would have preferred he work for the Town. Council suggested that Steve make up a monthly work schedule for Abe and stick to it.

Landfill. The Class III Landfill will be open Saturday, March 9th from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Railroad Crossing. Jim Baldwin and Greg Staudinger met with Montana Dept. of Transportation - John Lewis, Rail-Highway Safety Manager, Right-Of-Way Utilities Section, a member of the Roosevelt County Commissioners and representative from Burlington Northern for a field review of the railroad crossing near 1st Ave. W. New signals are proposed. Jim and Greg explained that a high end crossing with cross arms is proposed. Also, the town would have to accept liability on the north side of the tracks for repair. Warning signs will have to be put up 100 - 150' north of the tracks. The state provides the signs and posts and the town will have to install. Mayor Baldwin signed an agreement of intent to maintain with the State of Montana, Dept. of Transportation. Reginal Rudolph made a motion to ratify the railroad crossing upgrade and agreement of intent to maintain signed by Mayor Baldwin. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

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Miles Knudsen made a request prior to the meeting for the town to release the easement where the old reservoir buildings are, also a release where buildings used to be, only thing left is the concrete. This is south of old reservoirs. Attorney Hennessy suggested we keep the easement for the integrity of the system. The easement does not restrict his use of the property. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to allow Miles Knudsen to remove the old reservoirs no longer in use and do as he chooses with that area. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #148, 149 & 150 were approved and signed.

D & E Plummer Request for Wash Station. Council discussed information clerk found on state requirements for a wash station for vegetable oil tankers. The State does not regulate this. It is up to the town council to approve or disapprove. The town could pass an ordinance to state certain requirements or make limitations. Council did not act on this, but felt if there were a down side or if this would cause problems with the sewer mains or lift station, he may have to stop or take care of the damages. Town wants an out if it goes bad.

Spring Water School. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to approve of Steve attending the Annual Spring Water School in Lewistown March 13, 14 & 15. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Garbage Info. Clerk informed council that Jim Salvevold paid his water bill today less the \$12.00 garbage fee. Attorney Hennessy said he will be mailing the receipt of complaint filed by L & L Sanitation back to the District Judge by the 3-6-96 required postmark date. The town then has 20 days to respond to the complaint. Attorney Hennessy said the next step would be the judge will notify necessary parties to appear.

Reginal brought up a point about Workers' Compensation Insurance and the requirement of proof of certification that the town may have to have a record of from the necessary parties that we do business with. Attorney Hennessy will check into this.

Personnel Policy. Council reviewed the Fort Peck Personnel Policy and made changes to better fit the Town of Culbertson. Clerk will type up the revised edition for council review.

Steve asked if it is necessary for him to attend all council meetings, can he put the time on his time worked sheets. Council said yes.

Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to reimburse Raedelle for the difference in the state rate for lodging allowed and the actual cost for her for the single rate to attend the Montana Rural Water Conference in Great Falls in February. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

<u>General Fund:</u>		<u>Enterprise Fund:</u>	
MDU	1175.01	MDU	848.24
Raedelle Aspenleider	1379.02	Dept. of Env. Qual.	774.00
PERS	124.51	Postmaster	71.35
MT Dept of Revenue	72.92	Steven Moore	1548.34

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General Fund cont.

Culb. State Bank	433.34
Nemont Tele.	193.75
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
Will's Office World	11.82
Searchlight	12.00
Gaffaney's	86.94
American Legion Post #81	20.00
Red Hot Fire Ext.	106.25
Hennessy Law Office	1498.17
MDU	40.00
Valley Tele.	45.24
A T & T	49.45
TOTAL	\$5,373.42

Special Funds:

MDU	1234.04
PERS	294.50
MDU	151.24
Nat'l Geographic Soc.	26.50
McCall's	9.97
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Oelkers Servicenter	1.40
Triple M	22.35
Miller Oil Co.	35.62
Western Plains Mach.	80.41
Franz Const. Inc.	770.50
Farm Plan	48.73
TOTAL	\$3,666.92

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder

Clerk

Enterprise Fund cont.

William Carlisle	322.17
Joyce S. Norris	174.12
PERS	166.00
Dept. of Revenue	97.14
Culb. State Bank	581.80
Nemont Tele.	50.32
Searchlight	24.00
Triple M	25.90
Miller Oil Co.	401.00
Postmaster	85.00
DPC Industries	150.40
NW Pipe Fittings	748.47
Gerhardt's Welding	105.00
Sheridan Electric Co-Op	670.00
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Mike Nickoloff	191.75
Justin Raaum	107.25
Bob Jasper	35.00
TOTAL	\$11,989.75

J. L. Baldwin

Mayor

April 1, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, Greg Staudinger, James Baldwin, Steve Moore, Greg Hennessy and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Guests: Don Loomer, Shelly Baldwin, Eleanor Plummer, MaryLou Weeks, Laurie Mattelin, Miles Knudsen and Keenan Engelke.

The March 4, 1996 minutes were approved.

Meter Reading. Prior to the meeting, clerk sent Mr. & Mrs. Miles Knudsen a letter asking them to attend the meeting to discuss the problem our meter reader is having trying to get the reading. Attorney Hennessy discussed Town Code 4.06.090(3) dealing with reasonable access to the water meter. Meter reader goes to their house 3 or 4 times each month to find someone home to get the reading. Miles complaint and question was can a city employee trespass

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into someone's house to read a meter. In Miles view it is trespassing. Attorney Hennessy said when the residence contracted for water service, it is not trespassing to get a reading. Miles said he thought he and Joyce had come to the agreement that she was not to go into the house. He suggested she come when the kids or someone is home and they will read the meter for her. Mayor Baldwin said in his 10 years as Mayor, he has never had a complaint about Joyce. Miles said he would read his own meter and put it at the bottom of the water bill. An outside read-out can be installed, but Miles wanted assurance that a city employee would not be entering his home without his knowing. The procedure if a read-out appears not to be working: 1.) meter reader reports to clerk, 2.) clerk reports it to the director of public works and 3.) director of public works contacts and makes an appointment with the property owner/tenant to schedule the repair. Conclusion was that Miles will have a read-out installed.

Cemetery. Laurie Mattelin, MaryLou Weeks, Shelly Baldwin and Eleanor Plummer on behalf of the Women's Club were present to discuss the cemetery tree project and running a water line to the cemetery for a drip line to water the trees. Previous to the council meeting, this project was discussed with the MT Rural Water Assoc. to get their input on the water line. MT Rural Water recommended a 2" line. The water line will run approx. 3200'. Connection will be by the swimming pool fire hydrant, run down into and out of the playground to the fence and across sections of land belonging to Tom Marchwick, Alvin Cooper and Gobbs Brothers. A 30' easement for installation and maintenance has already been surveyed for and the 3 parties have agreed to the easement. The line will come into the cemetery at the southeast corner. Laurie Mattelin said the Women's Club has received over \$4000. in donations from letters written mostly to people not living in Culbertson, and the response was that this was a worthy project. Club wanted to know what the town could do to help the project. The town has put up the cost of the surveyor for the waterline easements and attorney fees for the easements. Steve estimated the cost of the following: 2" saddle \$38.00, 2" corporations \$25.00, 2' curb stop \$35.00 and a 1" drain valve \$25.00 for a total of approx. \$125.00. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to provide all material except the 2" plastic pipe, hydrant and backflow prevention valve. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Council will discuss this project during budget preparation for FY 1996-97. Steve will take care of everything to tap the main and set the curb stop. Council said the Women's Club could buy the 2" pipe through the town if it would be a better price for them.

Sewer Service Line. Louise Cooper said the sewer service line to their house in town needs to be replaced and wondered what the town required for this. Council said to contact the town office at the time so the director of public works can be informed.

Don Loomer - Kadomas Lee & Jackson PC. Council discussed the condition of the sewer lagoons. If engineering service cost for a Preliminary Engineering Report is under \$10,000., do not need go out on bid. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to have Don Loomer with Kadomas Lee & Jackson PC, do the Preliminary Engineering Report for necessary sewer lagoon and sewer system repairs. This will enable the town to apply for grants and loans. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Clerk will contact Debbie Hansen with Grant Services in Williston and ask about the bid process for this type of service.

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Fax. Clerk will call Nemont Telephone about the fax problems. Some calls are not even ringing into the office.

Water Storage Tank. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to engage Don Loomer with Kadrmas Lee & Jackson PC to do final engineering plans for placement, plumbing and set-up of the 125,000 gal. welded steel tank being purchased from Town of Beach, ND. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Mayor Baldwin reported he met with the county commissioners and they agreed to help us with the road to water plant. This will be done under the same agreement as was done at the landfill.

Reginal Rudolph made a motion that Steve attend the mosquito control seminar sponsored by Cornbelt Chemical Co. in Glasgow on Thursday, April 25th. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Attorney Hennessy updated the council on complaint filed by L & L Sanitation.

Pool. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to have the swimming pool sandblasted, then prime and paint. Town to get bids on 1.) primer and paint and 2.) sandblasting pool. Town will apply the primer and paint. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Rick Kessner talked to Steve about the possibility of the neighbors helping with getting the pool ready for the season. Steve said the skimmers lids came off and are full of ice. Hopefully the lines won't break.

Council discussed the possibility of Dave Plummer finishing out Greg Staudinger's term when he moves to Sidney.

Pool. Clerk will advertise for lifeguards for swimming pool 1996 season with applications due by 5:00 p.m. Monday, May 6, 1996. Council agreed to hire Roxanne Nickoloff as manager once again. Council would like Roxanne to attend the May meeting to help with selection of lifeguards.

Building Repairs. Due to melting and ice build up, the clerk's office had water come through the ceiling tiles. Council said the rubber gasket on the town hall building should be replaced.

Equipment. Steve discussed brake problem on the truck. Gordon suggested he bleed all four lines on the truck. Steve said the sweeper is ready to go and backhoe running okay. Gene Thomas with Western Plains Machinery suggested getting new mirrors (truck mirrors) for the sweeper. Steve will meet with Bernie W. Finnicum to see about this. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to have a maintenance checklist for all town owned equipment including the jack hammer. The lists are to be placed in the equipment and dated and initialed. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Clerk has lists for sweeper done.

Water Main Extensions. Clerk reported that anytime a water main is extended it must be engineered and submitted to the Water Quality Bureau for approval. Betty Pedersen met with Don Loomer on the possible extension going north of town.

Library. Council approved Lynn Byers replacing Eleanor Plummer on the Library Board.

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State Hwy. Maint. Shop Sewer Line. Greg Staudinger made a motion to accept the Preliminary Engineering Proposal dated February 1996 by Interstate Engineering, Inc. for Sanitary Sewer Service at the Montana Dept. of Transportation Shop. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Building Permits. Building permit for Gary and Debra Rasmussen was approved. Building permit for Jim and Sharon Salvevold was approved on condition of filling out the Floodplain Elevation Certificate.

DNRC Renewable Resource Grant and Loan Program. Clerk discussed the DNRC Renewable Resource Grant and Loan Program for potential funding for a detailed flood study for specific areas in need of detailed information. Council asked clerk to check on this.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #151 and #152 were approved and signed.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

General Fund:

Bruce Waldhausen	100.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1406.31
MDU	1053.25
Valley Telecommunications	22.66
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
Gaffaney's	84.10
Hometown Market	12.90
Will's Office World	959.00
TAABS	395.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	66.35
Hennessy Law Office	1322.05
A T & T	49.66
TOTAL	\$5,596.28

Enterprise Fund:

Bruce Waldhausen	1100.00
MT Env. Training Center	90.00
Steve Moore	325.50
Postmaster	71.57
Wm. Carlisle	230.56
Joyce S. Norris	124.28
MDU	1008.38
Sheridan Electric	10.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	66.88
Farmers Elevator Co.	35.00
Oelkers Servicenter	83.56
Finnicum's	36.20
Dept. of Health & Human Serv	28.00
Larsen Lumber	67.81
Industrial Systems	162.98
HF Scientific, Inc.	37.37
Northwest Pipe Fittings	442.78
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Randy Gergen	12.00
Arrowhead Pest Control	75.00
Hach	25.80
Steve Moore	1130.30
TOTAL	\$9,976.47

Special Fund:

MDU	980.05
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Farm Plan	6.30
Hedahls	62.25
Normont Equip. Co.	108.00
Farmers Elevator Co.	12.10
Oelkers Servicenter	31.55
Finnicum's	333.23
Western Plains Mach.	44.69
Steve Moore	418.04
TOTAL	\$2,987.87

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Clerk

Raedelle Aspenlieder

Mayor

Greg Staudinger

May 6, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, Greg Staudinger, James Baldwin, Bill Carlisle, Greg Hennessy and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Guests: Don Loomer, Debbie Hanson and Randy Gergen. Absent: Steve Moore.

The April 1, 1996 minutes were approved.

Swimming Pool. Bill reported the swimming pool will be sandblasted May 9th or 10th. Clerk will try to line-up adult volunteer help to paint the pool.

Landfill. Randy Gergen shut down the landfill on Saturday 5-4-96 at 4:00 p.m. due to the rain. Council said he needs to be sure the closed signs are up.

Pool Applications. A lifeguard must be 15 years old and for someone to have the WSI they must be 17 years old. Red Cross is very strict about this. The Date-Of-Birth should be these age limits by June 1 of that year. The First Aide card is renewed every 3 years. The CPR is renewed annually. Roxanne Nickoloff will be the manager again this year. Assistant Manager, lifeguard and Water Safety Instructor will be Jenell Marchwick-Bear. Other lifeguards will be KayCee Finnicum, Andrea Vannatta, Rhonda Snyder and Scott Nickoloff. Substitutes will be Suzanne Walker, Lexie Marchwick-Wix, Michael Lannen, Shawn Marchwick and Darcy Evanson. Lindsey Labatte, LeeAnn Labatte and Jessica Schmitz plan on becoming certified lifeguards, and when they complete the course they can talk to Roxanne. Town needs to have copies of CPR and First Aide cards for pool personnel.

WSI. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to pay the WSI class registration fee for KayCee Finnicum and Andrea Vannatta. The class is held in Baker. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to keep pool ticket prices the same as last year: Family Season \$50.00, Individual Season \$25.00 and \$1.00/session/person. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Roxanne asked about the possibility of a stronger basketball hoop for the pool. Council will discuss this in June.

Lagoons. Don Loomer, Engineer with Kadrmas Lee & Jackson, discussed the Preliminary Engineering Report for the Wastewater Collection and Treatment. Don reviewed reports from Viking Pipe Services Co. on recent cleaning and televising of sewer manholes and main lines. Don took the worst manholes and lines and also looked at the lift station. Preliminary cost estimate options: 1.) lift station repairs and approximately 6020' main lines replaced - this includes 178 service connections, 29 manholes to repair and replace 1 manhole - \$370,000.; 2.) lift station repairs and approximately 6020' main lines done with slip liner in pipes instead of replacing lines - cost \$685,000.

Lagoon options: 1.) repairs and conventional rip rap without clay liner \$900,000.; 2.) repairs and Geoweb filled with crushed material and fabric liner on bottom \$828,000.; and 3.) repairs and Creflex-concrete mats \$1.1 million.

Council chose options for lift station repairs and approximately 6020' main lines replaced - this includes 178 service connections, 29 manholes repaired and 1 manhole replaced - \$370,000 and lagoon repairs and Geoweb filled with crushed material and fabric liner on bottom - \$828,000. Total project cost approximately \$1.2 million.

Town will apply for: 1.) TSEP grant for a maximum of \$500,000 - this is a 50 - 50 match; 2.) DNRC \$100,000. grant and \$100,000. loan. Other funding sources will be researched.

May 6, 1996 cont.

Gordon Oelkers made a motion to apply for \$1.2 million in funding from several funding sources, approve the expenditure for \$250.00 application fee for DNRC and appoint Mayor James Baldwin the Authorized Representative of the DNRC Grant/Loan application. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Council will meet in special session on Monday, May 13, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. to review the grant application.

Mayor Baldwin signed the Consulting & Service Agreement with Grant Service Center.

Clerk reported Charles DeVaney called and will be 1 of 6 legislators on the roundtable discussion with the Governor at Infracon '96 in Billings this week. Mr. DeVaney was looking for our input on infrastructure and programs for funding.

Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion that Raedelle attend Infracon '96 in Billings May 8, 9 & 10. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Treatment Plant Road Easement. Council authorized clerk to issue balance due for road to treatment plant easement \$1,260.00 upon receipt of signed easement from Bruce and Judy Waldhausen. Greg Staudinger made a motion to purchase the seed for Bruce Waldhausen to seed along the new road to the plant. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Wayne Knudsen talked to Mayor Baldwin today about the new road to the treatment plant, and offered the large cattle gate as a soft match.

Cemetery. Council discussed cemetery and easements for waterline to cemetery. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to pay extra cost difference for a 2" versus 1½" service line to the cemetery. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Gordon Oelkers will take cemetery deed and waterline easement to Howard Gobbs for his signature. Jim will take cemetery deed and waterline easement to Betty Gobbs and waterline easements to Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Cooper and Mr. & Mrs. Tom Marchwick. Gordon noted a stipulation is to put up a good fence on addition to Hillside Cemetery.

Phones. Raedelle will check on cost of an extension phone off of office phone 5271 for the town shop behind the fire hall. Also, check on call waiting for the fire phone 6626.

Bill Carlisle asked the council if they would be interested in hiring him full-time. Council will study the situation.

Summer Maintenance. Abe Rumsey will start working about May 20th.

Audit. Next audit for the town will be of FY ending 6-30-95 and 6-30-96. Greg Staudinger made a motion to advertise for bids for the 2 year audit of FY ending 6-30-95 and 6-30-96. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk said Myron Schroeder from Williston called and was interested in purchasing the old police car for parts. Council is not interested in selling.

Streets. Greg Staudinger talked about having Alan Aspenlieder show the guys how to hand patch.

May 6, 1996 cont.

Clerk informed council of bill from McKinney Motor for \$613.55 for damage done to Eleanor Plummer's pick-up due to hole in the street. The claim has been submitted to our liability insurance carrier.

Garbage Fee. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to reduce the Washboard Laundromat garbage fee by 1 unit or \$10.00/month due to closure of the laundromat. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Building Permits. The following building permits were approved: 1.) Salvevold Duplex Apartments, 2.) Jim Salvevold - Gazebo, 3.) Whitey Marchwick Trailer and 4.) Me Too Pizza - concrete parking lot.

Potential Funding for Flood Studies is the same application process as for other DNRC Grants and Loans. Council said to concentrate on sewer project now.

Clerk informed council of A.G. Op.'s - Vol. 46.

BARS Workshop. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to approve of Raedelle attending Spring BARS Training Seminar in Glendive on June 17 & 18. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Fireworks. Clerk shared information received from Law Enforcement Services Division on Public Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Special Effects Displays. Clerk will check town ordinance on fireworks for sale and use of fireworks. Clerk will put an ad in the Searchlight this year.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #153 & 154 were approved and signed.

Investments. Re-purchase agreement - anything over \$20,000. - interest varies but now is 5.3%.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

<u>General Fund:</u>		<u>Enterprise Fund:</u>	
Nemont Telephone	178.01	Nemont Telephone	51.90
MDU	1050.34	MDU	1040.13
First Community Bank	445.28	First Community Bank	409.19
MT Dept. of Commerce	73.19	MT Dept. of Commerce	70.23
PERS	127.12	PERS	119.83
Unemp. Ins. Div.	19.65	Unemp. Ins. Div.	27.04
MMIA	183.27	MMIA	485.54
Valley County Conserv. Dist.	75.00	Richard Erdahl	144.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1390.13	Harry Haber	144.00
First Community Bank	435.30	Dallas Dehner	144.00
PERS	125.38	Ben Nice	171.00
MT Dept. of Revenue	73.01	Postmaster	72.28
MDU	732.18	Steven Moore	1239.15
Nemont Telephone	174.69	William Carlisle	272.02
Valley Telecommunications	29.07	Joyce S. Norris	104.47
A T & T	50.70	First Community Bank	468.32
Finnicum's	3.39	PERS	134.42
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00	MT Dept. of Revenue	77.40
Gaffaney's	4.95	MDU	745.58
Hometown Market	55.54	Nemont Telephone	49.99
Searchlight	73.50	Sheridan Electric	10.00

May 6, 1996 cont.

General Fund cont.

MT League of Cities & Towns	230.84
Infracon '96	45.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	246.60
Recreation Supply Co.	66.84
Larsen Lumber	46.98
Northwest Pipe Fittings	336.12
Hennessy Law Office	519.70
TOTAL	\$6,916.78

Special Funds:

MDU	1076.57
First Community Bank	124.73
MT Dept. of Commerce	21.03
PERS	321.43
Unemp. Ins. Div.	1.95
MMIA	35.71
Steven Moore	435.38
First Community Bank	133.62
PERS	337.88
MT Dept. of Revenue	22.16
MDU	989.76
Finnicum's	139.53
Gaffaney's	54.75
Hometown Markey	29.83
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Culb. Library	35.96
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Farm Plan	22.70
Hedahl's Auto Parts	27.60
Grimco, Inc.	41.74
Oelkers Servicenter	101.02
Triple M	8.15
Miller Oil Co.	68.35
Franz Const.	237.50
Agri Basics	20.00
NorMont Equip. Co.	232.23
TOTAL	\$5,511.24

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

Enterprise Fund cont.

Finnicum's	224.31
Hometown Market	33.56
Searchlight	24.00
Northwest Pipe Fittings	1339.70
Franz Const.	3251.50
Dept. of Health & Human Serv.	14.00
MT Rural Water Systems	200.00
Hach Company	21.25
Jacobsen's Inc.	85.40
DPC Industries	75.20
Tonka Equip. Co.	1279.53
Industrial Systems, Inc.	603.49
Allen Pedersen	82.50
Sullivan Wholesale	173.38
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Randy Gergen	106.50
Steve Moore	153.10
MT Envir. Training Center	70.00
TOTAL	\$18,530.41

J.E. Baldwin
Mayor

May 13, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in special session to review the DNRC Grant/Loan application for Wastewater Collection and Treatment. The following were present: Reginal Rudolph, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Guest: Debbie Hanson, Grant Service Center. Bernie W. Finnicum arrived later.

The May 6, 1996 minutes were read and approved.

Debbie wanted to discuss the funding package with the council. DNRC loans are at 7% interest. Council felt a better interest rate could be found. The town will apply for funding for this project as follows: 1.) DNRC - \$100,000. Grant, 2.) TSEP - \$500,000. Grant and 3.) Rural Development - \$640,000. in majority being grants and possible loans. Town will have \$50,000. in reserves set aside for the project. Council felt it would be difficult to pass on the cost of more than \$100,000. in loans to our customers.

The project cost of \$1.2 million is preliminary and the town will apply for all means of affordable funding. We will wait to see how the funding sources come through.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

James Baldwin
Mayor

June 3, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Greg Staudinger, James Baldwin, Greg Hennessy, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Gordon Oelkers. Guest: Don Loomer.

The May 13, 1996 minutes were approved.

Resignation. Council accepted Fr. Greg Staudinger's resignation as Councilman of Ward 1 effective June 23, 1996. He has been appointed Pastor of Saint Matthew Church of Sidney.

Water Storage Tank. Don Loomer, Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, P.C., discussed the 125,000 gal. water storage tank plans. The plans will be finalized then submitted to the Water Quality Bureau for approval.

Steve will check with O'Neil's Housemoving to see about getting the tank here so we can pay the Town of Beach, ND for the tank and the cost of moving. The financing for the balance of the project will be researched.

DOT - Scale. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to accept the gift of the upgraded sewer and lift station along with easements from the State of Montana, Dept. of Transportation, Scale east of Culbertson. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Bernie W. Finnicum, Greg Staudinger and Reginal Rudolph. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Council approved for payment Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, P.C. bill for \$5339.92 for Preliminary Engineering Report for wastewater improvements.

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June 3, 1996

Mayor James E. Baldwin
& Culbertson Town Council
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Dear Mayor Baldwin and Culbertson Town Council,

With deep regret I must give my resignation as Councilman of Ward 1 of the town of Culbertson, Montana on June 23, 1996. As of July 1, 1996, I have been appointed Pastor of Saint Matthew Church in Sidney, Montana. Since my priestly ministry requires my moving to Sidney, I must resign my present position on the council. I would like to thank you for your confidents over these past six years in serving the people of the Town of Culbertson. It has been challenging and a learning experience.

Thank you again for letting me work with you and may the years be good to you in your service.

Sincerely,



Fr. Greg Staudinger
Councilman of Ward 1

June 3, 1996 cont.

Senior Citizen Phone. Clerk reported the Senior Citizens asked if it would be possible to have an extension phone jack off of the office phone. This could be installed in a locked cupboard or they would just unplug the phone and lock it up. Council suggested the Senior Citizens check into the possibility of getting a cellular phone for themselves.

Phones. Clerk checked with Nemont Telephone and the cost to run an extension off of the office phone to the shop - installation \$25.50 plus \$5.00/month and the cost of call waiting on fire phone 787-6626 - no installation fee plus \$2.00/month extra on phone bill. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to extend the phone off of the office to the shop with stipulation a phone log be used and also to get call waiting on the fire phone 787-6626. Greg Staudinger seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Bernie W. Finnicum, Greg Staudinger and Reginal Rudolph. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Park Bathrooms. Teresia Moore will clean the park bathrooms again this year for \$50.00/month.

Mosquito Fogging. Council said to use Abe for the mosquito fogging this year.

Pool - Fort Kipp Kids. Nathaniel Long Hair, Sr. called to see what kind of arrangements could be made to bring Fort Kipp kids to the pool. Clerk suggested we have Nathaniel supply the pool with a list of the kids and pool personnel will mark the kids down when they come. Clerk will send a bill monthly to Nathaniel Long Hair, Sr., Fort Kipp Summer Youth Program, Box 111, Brockton, MT 59213.

DNRC. Town received notice that the Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation Grant Application is complete and will be assigned to a key project reviewer who will oversee application review.

Personnel Policy Manual. Clerk gave Mayor, Councilmen, Steve and Attorney Hennessy a copy of the personnel policy for review. There will be more discussion on the policy manual in July. Mayor Baldwin will write up a job description for the director of public works. There is one already done for the clerk.

Building Permits. Building permits for Evelyn Herness and Gene Fuhrman were approved.

GJV. General journal voucher #155 was approved and signed.

Summer Baseball Program. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to donate \$300.00 to the summer baseball program. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Bernie W. Finnicum, Reginal Rudolph and Greg Staudinger. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Cemetery. Attorney Hennessy said Betty Gobbs attorney, Mr. David Dietrich, requested the waterline easement and deed to the cemetery each be signed as one document each by Howard L. Gobbs, Mabel Gobbs, Betty J. Gobbs and the Estate of Lewis H. Gobbs. Attorney Hennessy will make the adjustments.

Montana Sign Company. Montana Sign Company installed a sign east of Culbertson by Lucille Timm. They erroneously installed it on town street property. First Community Bank has leased the sign. Mayor Baldwin informed the bank of the error. Montana Sign Co. is interested in leasing the space or making some kind of arrangement with the town, or will of course move it if necessary.

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Greg Staudinger made a motion that Montana Sign Co. move the sign off town property. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Greg Staudinger, Reginal Rudolph and Bernie W. Finnicum. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Town will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 10, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining public comments on a proposed application for the wastewater improvement project and application to the Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP).

Great Northern Development Corp. Town received a letter from the Great Northern Development Corp. which discussed the town's financial commitment to the Corp. Town has no record of committing for 5 years. Greg Staudinger made a motion not to pay \$796.00 to the Great Northern Development Corp. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Greg Staudinger, Bernie W. Finnicum and Reginal Rudolph. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Pool. It will cost \$400. - \$500. to replace the wind screen around the pool. Council said maybe next year. A new basketball hoop will have to wait as well.

A T & T. Clerk will check on A T & T charges for fire phone.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

General Fund:

Raedelle Aspenlieder	1652.79
First Community Bank	550.38
PERS	152.12
MT Dept. of Revenue	100.20
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	122.92
Ellerkamp Building Const.	26.00
Valley Telecommunications	38.84
Heiman Fire Equip., Inc.	430.83
Fire Protection Publications	206.95
A T & T	50.70
Northwest Pipe Fittings	294.11
Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson	1753.24
Cornbelt Chemical Co.	160.27
Mon-Dak Chemical	63.75
DPC Industries, Inc.	75.25
Jacobsen's Inc.	35.96
Basin Sandblasting	1551.32
Sullivan Wholesale	1292.29
Hennessy Law Office	1706.13
Oelkers Servicenter	74.20
Larsen Lumber	38.95
Miller Oil Co.	1.36
TOTAL	\$10,503.56

Enterprise Fund:

Bruce Waldhausen	1260.00
Thelma Marchwick	631.40
DNRC	250.00
Roos. Co. Clerk & Recorder	12.00
Postmaster	71.95
Joyce S. Norris	203.50
Abe Rumsey	330.07
William Carlisle	309.16
First Community Bank	179.12
PERS	53.11
MT Dept. of Revenue	28.50
Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson	330.68
Farm Plan	13.12
MT Dept. of Env. Quality	60.00
First Community Bank	300.00
Gaffaney's	6.49
HF Scientific	631.33
McKinney Motor	22.88
Energy Laboratories	235.00
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Randy Gergen	84.00
Sheridan Electric	10.00
Stranco	237.35
Searchlight	63.00
TOTAL	\$10,504.32

Special Fund:

Steven Moore	1867.90	Franz Const.	1453.68
First Community Bank	601.32	Western Plains Mach.	632.37
PERS	545.33	Bob's Pickup & Delivery	25.29

June 3, 1996 cont.

Special Fund cont:

MT Dept. of Revenue	105.64
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
NorMont Equip. Co.	28.00
Farm Plan	128.72
Miller Oil Co.	37.51
Triple M	6.00
TOTAL	\$6,423.42

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

J. O. Baldwin
Mayor

June 10, 1996 Public Hearing. The Culbertson Town Council met for a Public Hearing for the purpose of obtaining public comments on a proposed application for the wastewater improvement project and application to the Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP). The following were present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Steve Moore, Raedelle Aspenlieder, Don Loomer, Debbie Hanson and Ila Mae Forbregd.

On behalf of the Town, Mayor Baldwin requested permission from Rural Development to do an income survey to verify the median household annual income. According to the 1990 census figures, the Town of Culbertson annual median household income is \$155. higher than the State of Montana annual median household income. Therefore, the town is not eligible to apply for grant funds from Rural Development. Due to a slight decline in population and the Roosevelt County figures showing an increase in welfare benefits and unemployment, and a decrease in the current labor force. We are still waiting to hear on the request.

Don Loomer said the original sewer system was done in 1945, in 1957 the lagoon system with 2 cells was done and in the 1970's the 3rd cell was added to the lagoon. The lagoon cells are a 7-1 slope. Lagoons being built today are a 4-1 or 3-1 slope. Viking Pipe Service did cleaning and televising of sewer main lines in 1991 & 1993. Don reviewed the booklets from Viking Pipe for work done to estimate the sewer mains and manholes in need of repair and replacement. All present watched one of the videos from the televising done by Viking Pipe of sewer mains and manholes.

Council discussed the proposed funding sources. If Rural Development says no to the survey, we will have to bag the whole project. If Rural Development consents to the survey and the results are beneficial for a grant application, town will go for the whole project.

Gordon Oelkers made a motion to authorize Mayor Baldwin to sign 1.) Resolution to Authorize Submission of TSEP Application, 2.) Application Summary and 3.) Environmental Review. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Gordon Oelkers, Bernie W. Finnicum and Reginal Rudolph. Absent and not voting: Greg Staudinger. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

J. O. Baldwin
Mayor

June 13, 1996 Special Meeting. The Culbertson Town Council met in special session at 7:00 p.m. with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, Greg Staudinger, James Baldwin, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Special meeting was for the purpose of reviewing the changes made to the preliminary engineering report on the wastewater improvement project. These changes were made after some discussion with Earl Wm. Bahr, Environmental Specialist, Municipal Wastewater Assistance Program, Water Quality Bureau and Paul LaVigne, Municipal Wastewater Assistance, DEQ about the possibility of only lining 2 sides of each lagoon cell due to the prevailing northwest winds. We were told this is not uncommon.

Mitch Copp with Rural Development also had stopped by on Wednesday, June 12th. Rural Development will not allow the Town to do an income survey based on the given information for Roosevelt County. In order to allow an income survey, there would have to be a major employer either closing down or laying off employees, and this was not our case. Therefore, the Town of Culbertson is not Grant eligible from Rural Development.

Clerk discussed the possibility of lining only 2 sides of each lagoon cell with Engineer Don Loomer to see how this would change the project cost. Don will submit the plans to Water Quality for approval. Don also said that the sludge was changed since Nick Clos with Montana Rural Water did the actual sludge test.

After Engineer Don Loomer made the revisions the total project cost went from \$1,200,000. to \$939,950. This is for Alternative 1 - Excavate/Replace Sanitary Sewer Pipe \$373,350. and Alternative 5 - Reconstruct Dikes/Geoweb Erosion Control \$566,600. These figures are the preliminary engineering report figures.

Council discussed the options and funding sources.

Greg Staudinger made a motion that the town do Alternative 5 - Reconstruct Dikes/Geoweb Erosion Control \$566,600. and the Lift Station Modifications only, found on Alternative 1 cost of \$30,000. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Possible Funding Sources:	\$100,000. DNRC Grant
	\$300,000. TSEP Grant
	\$ 50,000. Town up front money
	<u>\$150,000.</u> SRF Loan
	\$600,000.

A \$150,000 loan with SRF at 4% for 20 years, paid semi-annually - total annual payment $\$10,966.72 \div 12 \text{ months} = \$913.89/\text{month} \div 380 \text{ customers} = \$2.40/\text{month}$. Council agreed to raise the base rate on each account \$3.00/month if the project can be funded as listed above.

Town will look at the possibility of replacing some sewer main lines each year during the budget process.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

J. J. Baldwin
Mayor

July 1, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Greg Hennessy, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Reginal Rudolph. Guest: Steve Baldwin and Jeff Hintz.

The June 3, 10 and 13, 1996 minutes were approved.

Sewer Line. Jeff Hintz with Interstate Engineering was present to discuss the sewer extension to the Montana Dept. of Transportation, Maintenance Shop. Jeff wanted a letter from the town saying yes the Dept. of Transportation can hook on to the town sewer system. Clerk gave him a copy of the letter sent to Mr. Bill Juve giving the okay. This project could go to bid in August.

Pool. Pool is running fine now. Bethel Free Lutheran Church wants to rent the pool July 12th for 12-18 teenagers. Council approved the hours to be 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. and they pay 3 of our lifeguards.

Shelly Baldwin and a group want to do aerobics at 6:00 a.m. 1 or 2 days a week. Council approved same set-up as with swim lessons and aerobics - 25% of class fee goes to pool fund. Shelly is to talk to Roxanne to work out details.

Council. Council approved of Mayor Baldwin appointing Edward Anklam to finish Greg Staudinger's term. Council duties change:

Gordon Oelkers - President of Council, Finance & Ordinance

Bernie W. Finnicum - Airports, Streets & Alleys

Reginal Rudolph - Library, Pool & Parks

Edward Anklam - Water & Sewer

James Baldwin - Landfill

Landfill. Randy Gergen wants 3 of the 4 Saturdays off in July. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to change the landfill day and hours for July only. The landfill will be open on Monday instead of Saturday, from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Gordon Oelkers and Bernie W. Finnicum. Absent and not voting: Reginal Rudolph.
MOTION CARRIED.

Albright Nightmare! Clerk discussed the Albright Nightmare and the possible affect on the town. The judge in this case wanted the county treasurers to withhold 10% of the May real property tax remittance from cities & towns pending this case. The case questions the way assessments on Class 4 property were done. This includes residential and commercial property. However, the county treasurer did not hold out money for the Albright case in our county.

Cemetery. Town is still waiting on the waterline easement and addition to cemetery deed from the Gobbs family. It is our understanding that Betty Gobbs will be the sole owner of the land involved.

Water Tank. Council discussed the costs involved in moving the 125,000 gal. water storage tank from Beach, ND to town. The options are 1.) moving it whole and cost for moving plus moving utility lines, 2.) cutting the tank and moving in 2 pieces with no utility lines required to move, and 3.) bagging project. Council said for clerk to find out the dollar limit before it is necessary to go out on bid.

Town Hall Dumpster. The town hall dumpster has been full and meat in boxes causing stink and disgust. Council said to tell G & H Meats that their garbage must be bagged and sealed.

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Street Dance. The Montana Bar requested permission to rope off the south end of main street for a street dance following a Clyde Perry Rodeo on August 10th. Council approved and clerk is to notify the Roosevelt County Sheriff Dept.

M.D.U. Pumping Agreement. Mayor Baldwin signed a one year Montana Municipal Pumping Agreement with M.D.U. The last agreement was for 10 years. This new agreement is automatically renewable from year to year unless terminated by either party.

Building Permit. Mike Wilson will move his garage back in line with his house this fall, his garden is there now.

Gordon Oelkers made a motion to pay the Heiman Fire Equip. invoice for a flow monitor and other supplies \$2800.00 in FY ending 6-30-96. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Gordon Oelkers and Bernie W. Finnicum. Absent and not voting: Reginal Rudolph. MOTION CARRIED.

Diamond Coulee Tr. Ct. Diamond Coulee Tr. Ct. has 4 pieces of living quarters hooked up to 2 water and sewer service connections. Council said to charge as 2 units.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #156 & 157 were approved and signed.

Overtime. Council discussed employee overtime and said overtime needs to be limited. Council said to work Bill on the weekends for the water plant and town checks.

Parks. Steve talked to council about installing motion lights in the park bathrooms. Council approved.

Backhoe Accident. Steve explained the backhoe accident. Abe Rumsey was in the backhoe and backed into a swather belonging to Ray Johnson. The swather was on a trailer being hauled.

Budget Meetings. Budget meetings for FY 1996-97 budget will be July 15, 22 & 29 at 7:00 p.m.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

General Fund:

Nemont Telephone	243.61
MDU	453.07
Pool Cash Box	50.00
Finnicum's	698.99
Gaffaney's	16.04
Hometown Market	19.48
QBS	194.19
Postmaster	32.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	55.20
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Valley Telecommunications	45.10
A T & T	50.70
Cornbelt Chemical	157.13

Enterprise Fund:

Kadrmas Lee & Jackson	5339.92
Nemont Telephone	64.89
MDU	1135.34
DNRC	32800.34
Culb. State Bank	2662.50
Postmaster	72.30
Finnicum's	63.32
Gaffaney's	169.50
Robin Gerhardt	4.33
Tim Solberg	22.20
Dept. of Health & Env. Sc	14.00
Stranco	25.00
Farmers Elevator Co.	88.76
Northwest Pipe Fittings	396.85

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General Fund cont.

Farm Plan	47.80
Culb. Ag Management	72.88
Steve Moore	24.70
Teresia Moore	50.00
Thompson Pools	63.41
S & S Chemical & Oil	54.12
Recreation Supply Co.	66.97
Sullivan Wholesale	1716.75
Northern Pump & Compression	47.00
Chris Finnicum	110.00
Bev Vannatta	110.00
Summer Baseball Program	300.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1571.06
Hennessy Law Office	3571.26
Omega Eng. Inc.	158.79
Oelkers Servicenter	71.05
Jenell Bear	657.25
Shaun Marchwick	90.19
Roxanne Nickoloff	606.13
KayCee Finnicum	401.19
Andrea Vannatta	211.02
Rhonda Snyder	518.24
Scott Nickoloff	194.67
Michael Lannen	31.45
First Community Bank	1112.82
MT Dept. of Revenue	184.21
PERS	195.31
MMIA	395.52
Unemployment Ins.	33.18
Heiman Fire Equip.	2800.00
Larsen Const.	401.25
TOTAL	\$18,925.39

Enterprise Fund cont.

Grant Service Center	125.00
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Arrowhead Pest Control	75.00
Sheridan Electric Co-Op	10.00
MT Dept. of Env. Quality	500.00
Randy Gergen	162.00
Joyce S. Norris	211.19
William Carlisle	296.88
Steven Moore	1910.60
Northwest Pipe Fittings	58.17
Oelkers Servicenter	248.53
First Community Bank	731.66
MT Dept. of Revenue	132.11
PERS	199.94
MMIA	379.02
Unemp. Ins.	22.27
Larsen Const.	60.11
TOTAL	\$52,794.23

Special Fund:

MDU	949.35
Finnicum's	160.06
Farm Plan	65.76
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Hedahls Auto Parts	19.24
NorMont Equip. Co.	65.75
Fort Union Supply & Trade	29.90
MMIA	500.00
Western Plains Mach.	254.31
Abe Rumsey	715.90
Miller Oil Co.	19.50
Oelkers Servicenter	101.67
First Community Bank	207.20
MT Dept. of Revenue	26.47
PERS	520.67
MMIA	260.66
Unemp. Ins.	14.20
Culb. Ag Mgmt.	82.50
Larsen Const.	19.99
TOTAL	\$4,088.13

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Karenli Aspenlieder
Clerk

John Billeau
Mayor

July 15, 1996. The Town Council met in special session to review the preliminary budget. The following were present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Gordon Oelkers, Edward Anklam, James Baldwin, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Council decided there would be no pay raises this year. Meeting on the budget to be continued.

Raedelle Aspenlieder

Clerk

Jed Baldwin

Mayor

July 22, 1996. The Town Council met in special session to fix the final budget with the following present: Edward Anklam, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Reginal Rudolph and Bernie W. Finnicum. Budget hearing for taxpayers will be on Monday, July 29, 1996 at 7:00 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder

Clerk

Jed Baldwin

Mayor

July 29, 1996. The Town Council met for a public hearing on FY 1996-97 budget. The following were present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Edward Anklam, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Steve Moore. There were no objections on the budget.

Raedelle Aspenlieder

Clerk

Jed Baldwin

Mayor

August 5, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session. Attorney Hennessy swore in new Town Councilman Edward Anklam. He replaces Greg Staudinger. The following were present: Bernie W. Finnicum, Edward Anklam, James Baldwin, Greg Hennessy and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Reginal Rudolph, Gordon Oelkers and Steve Moore.

The July 1, 15, 22 and 29, 1996 minutes were approved.

Cemetery. Town is still waiting to hear from Betty Gobbs attorney on cemetery deed and waterline easements.

Nemont Telephone - Fiber Optic Cable. Nemont has proposal to bury the fiber optic cable under 3rd Ave. East (truck route). Nemont wanted town to pay 1/2 cost of repairing the curb corner. Edward Anklam made a motion to pay 1/2 cost of repairing curb corner in order to bury fiber optic cable. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Edward Anklam and Bernie W. Finnicum. Absent and not voting: Reginal Rudolph and Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Water Storage Tank. Not all utility companies have responded for overhead line locates, but so far the cost of moving the 125,000 gal. storage tank is \$19,834. Quote to cut the tank in 1/2 and haul it is \$24,680. Quotes on other options are 30,000 gal. vertical storage tank \$13,117., 2 - 21,000 gal. fiberglass tanks \$8500./tank.

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Don Loomer had received a letter that the plans submitted for the 125,000 gal. tank have been approved by the State Dept. of Environmental Quality.

Sewer Main Line. Steve has recently checked manhole #16 by the Carwash. On July 10, 1996 town had Hi-Line Sewer & Culvert clean 1960 total feet starting at manhole #16. The line was full of sand, silt, gravel and some oily film. Prior to the start of this meeting, the mayor and council discussed the problem with George Nickoloff, owner of the carwash.

Landfill. Town will run an ad for a Landfill Gate Monitor. The landfill hours at this time are Mondays 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. April 1 through Oct. and the 2nd Mondays 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Nov. through March.

Parking. Laurie Averill, Me Too Pizza requested the "No Parking Here To Corner" sign be moved back. The sign is 83' from the corner, the Highway 2 sign is 45' from corner. Laurie said she checked on this and the town has to request the sign change. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to request the state remove the "No Parking Here To Corner" sign at Me Too Pizza as the situation has changed at this address from a residential house to a business. Edward Anklam seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Bernie W. Finnicum and Edward Anklam. Absent and not voting: Reginal Rudolph and Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED. Clerk will write a letter to the State Highway office in Glendive to request this change.

Investments. Reginal Rudolph wondered if the council would entertain a visit from his investment broker. Council agreed to a visit.

Library. The Library Board wants to put a book drop in the bottom part of front entrance door. They would purchase the material if town employees would install. Council approved.

Burlington Northern. Gary Shultz, BN called and said he talked to the Road Master in Williston and he gave the okay to have the town mow around the BN Depot area and send them a bill. Probably have to use the gerry mower the first time.

FY 1996-97 Mill Levies. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 284. A Resolution setting the mills for fiscal year 1996-97, an All-Purpose levy of 82.89 mills and Library 3.06 mills for a total of 85.95 mills. Edward Anklam seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Bernie W. Finnicum and Edward Anklam. Absent and not voting: Reginal Rudolph and Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Building Permits. Building permits for Mike Wilson and Blanch Weinrich were approved and signed. A building permit for Mike Gossage had a questionable 4' extra. If Mike wants to go 10' from the east property line so we're sure there is enough room, council will approve.

Wastewater Facility Inspection. The Dept. of Environmental Quality personnel, consisting of Bill Bahr and Paul LaVigne, did a brief inspection of the wastewater system on June 12, 1996. The findings were in line with the preliminary engineering report done by Don Loomer with Kadrmas Lee & Jackson. The town has 60 days to respond to the findings.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163 and 164 were approved and signed. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to authorize the FY ending line item budget transfers GJV #165. Edward Anklam seconded the motion.

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GJV's cont. Those voting in favor of the motion: Bernie W. Finnicum and Edward Anklam. Absent and not voting: Reginal Rudolph and Gordon Oelkers.
MOTION CARRIED.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

<u>General Fund:</u>		<u>Enterprise Fund:</u>	
Jenell Bear	213.75	Nemont Telephone	62.13
Nemont Telephone	297.39	M.D.U.	988.85
M.D.U.	741.16	Postmaster	72.68
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1441.36	Steven Moore	1741.67
Roxanne Nickoloff	813.83	William Carlisle	277.58
Jenell Bear	738.70	Joyce S. Norris	114.05
KayCee Finnicum	522.11	First Comm. Bank	631.88
Andrea Vannatta	436.03	PERS	361.14
Rhonda Snyder	627.88	MT Dept. of Revenue	107.14
Scott Nickoloff	374.44	M.D.U.	1237.64
Shaun Marchwick	226.86	Nemont Telephone	52.40
Michael Lannen	179.02	Sheridan Electric Co-Op	10.00
Lexie Marchwick-Wix	79.83	Hometown Market	8.38
First Comm. Bank	1589.14	Searchlight	79.50
PERS	406.01	Oelkers Servicenter	32.20
MT Dept. of Revenue	247.43	Colonial Research	136.87
Andrea Vannatta	240.80	Miller Oil Co.	115.43
Jenell Bear	361.20	Dobbs Corp.	743.74
Valley Telecommunications	35.48	Dept. of Health & Env. Sc.	14.00
M.D.U.	933.17	DPC Industries	158.50
Nemont Telephone	267.76	Kadrmas Lee & Jackson	3877.80
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00	Northwest Pipe Fittings	394.74
Hometown Market	70.26	McKinney Motor	66.25
Searchlight	57.00	Hi-Line Sewer & Culvert	1078.00
Broadway Floral	40.00	Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66	Curtis Thiessen	100.00
Cornbelt Chemical Co.	10.00	A & I Distributors	26.91
Teresia Moore	50.00	DPC Industries	153.50
Recreation Supply Co.	150.34	MMIA	822.27
Bob's Pickup & Delivery	60.00	Johnstone Supply	167.43
S & S Chemical & Oil	72.16	Finnicum's	29.01
Thompson Pools	66.74	TOTAL	\$18,474.19
Industrial Systems	26.10		
Culb. Volunteer Fire Dept.	1500.00		
DPC Industries	76.75		
MMIA	986.00		
Mon-Dak Chemical	365.50		
Finnicum's	186.24		
TOTAL	\$15,532.10		

<u>Special Funds:</u>	
M.D.U.	1882.32
Abe Rumsey	579.32
First Comm. Bank	153.36
PERS	99.30
MT Dept. of Revenue	19.06
Hometown Market	10.20
Redbook	15.97
Consumer Reports	24.00
Seventeen	16.95
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Culb. Public Library	218.22
NorMont Equip. Co.	48.95
Oelkers Servicenter	33.59

I, Edward Anklam,

do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect and defend
the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State
of Montana, and that I will discharge the duties of the office of

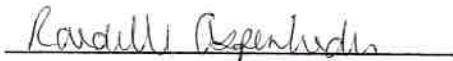
Town Councilman

with fidelity, so help me God.



DATED this 5th day of August, 1996.

ATTEST:



HI-LINE SEWER & CULVERT CLEANERSBox 3 Box 37
Culbertson, MT 59218 Poplar, MT 59255**Phone 1-800-488-8612**

TO: Town of Culbertson

Culbertson, Mt. 59218

TERMS:

Invoice 1016

DATE	7/10/96
CUSTOMER ORDER NO.	
SALESPERSON	
VIA	

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	AMOUNT
>	Cleaned 1960 feet of sewer @ .55 per Ft.		\$1078 00

ORIGINAL

Thank You!



Hiline Sewer & Culvert Cleaners

P.O.Box 37
Poplar, MT 59255

(406) 787-5397

SEWER CLEANING REPORT

DATE 7/10/96

LOCATION: Culbertson West side

OPERATOR Bill & Bob

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Special Funds cont:

Colonial Research	41.00
Miller Oil Co.	27.72
Farm Plan	951.75
MMIA	557.00
Finnicum's	85.52
TOTAL	\$4,839.23

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

J. D. Baldwin
Mayor

September 9, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Edward Anklam, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Greg Hennessy, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Guests: Walter Busch, Roger Cox and Muriel Park. The August 5, 1996 minutes were approved.

SVO. Walter Busch attended to discuss SVO and the fact that the seed rights have already been sold, but the plant has not. Nine employees have already been laid off. Without a buyer, the plant may only stay open anywhere from October to possibly December. Walter is heading up a community task force and invited the mayor and council to a meeting at SVO on Wednesday, Sept. 11th at 9:00 a.m.

Muriel Park discussed the problem she has with water run off. She said prior to the street paving, when there was a ditch, she didn't get water. Muriel said it appears the east end of the street is higher and does not allow proper drainage. Jim said he would check this out.

Investments. Roger Cox, Investment Broker, discussed legal investments for municipalities. Roger shared a wealth of information about investments. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to send Doug McCormick, First Community Bank a formal letter and invite him to our next council meeting to discuss the towns financial portfolio, current investments and rates and other investment options. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.
MOTION CARRIED.

Cemetery. The Right-Of-Way Easement and Cemetery Deed signed by Gobbs are in hand now.

Audit Bids. Council opened audit bids for FY ending June 30, 1995 and June 30, 1996 from: CHMS, P.C., Glasgow, MT bid \$4350.00
Smith. Lange & Koch, P.C., Sidney, MT bid \$4200.00

Gordon Oelkers made a motion to accept bid from CHMS for \$4350.00. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Fairgrounds. Clerk said there was a new sewer hook-up at the fairgrounds for the wash rack. The new hook-up fee and sewer saddle have been paid. The wash rack is not metered so clerk was not sure how to charge the sewer. Also, for the past few years, the water meters for the fairgrounds building and sprinklers have been questionable. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to put new meters in at

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fairgrounds for accurate reading and only charge sewer on the building. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

School Sports Complex. There were 4 meters at the sports complex and with the renovations going on there will be one 1½" water meter. Council suggested clerk track the water usage for 4 months to compare usage from 4 meters to 1 meter.

Moor Water Usage. Corey Moor moved into Larry Mahlum's house on 6-28-96 at which time the meter was read. The meter was read again on 7-15-96 and showed 7,000 gal. usage. When the meter was read on 8-14-96 meter showed 96,000 gal. usage. The meter was read 4 more times after 8-14-96 and usage was normal. Corey Moor said they could not possibly use that much water as they didn't water the lawn. Clerk called the neighbor and asked if he noticed any watering and he said they didn't water the lawn. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to drop usage to 10,000 gal. due to Moor's being new in the house and possible unfamiliar surroundings. Also, clerk is to send them a letter explaining such and that excessive use will not be forgiven again, they will be billed for actual meter reading. Council does not believe the meter is in error. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Water School. Bill Carlisle will be attending the water school in Bozeman September 23-26, 1996. Raedelle will not be attending this one.

Landfill Gate Monitor. Application for landfill gate monitor was received from Tom Marchwick and Julius Kozak was also interested. Tom Marchwick will do the landfill.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #167 & 168 were approved and signed.

Airport Insurance. Town received a bill from Roosevelt County for insurance at the airport for fiscal years 1996-97 and 1995-96 for a total of \$957.00. The town has not been aware, nor paid insurance on the airport. This was a surprise and was not budgeted for. Mayor Baldwin will talk to the commissioners about this.

Building Permits. Building permits were approved for: Mike Gossage and Lloyd Aspenlieder. Also, approved for Dean Simensen landscaping by the alley as long as 13' in from curb by alley exit, the maximum height of any object not exceed 3'.

Clerk sent request on 8-28-96 to State Highway Dept. in Glendive to remove "No Parking Here To Corner" sign by Me Too Pizza. No word yet.

Water Tank. Council discussed the different options for the water storage tank. One option may be to get 3 - 30,000 gal. tanks from O'Day Equip. The plans and specifications for the 125,000 gal. storage tank have been submitted and approved by the state. Information needed: 1.) dimensions of 30,000 gal. tank from O'Day, 2.) sample and results of paint inside 125,000 tank, 3.) cost to paint 125,000 gal. tank where welding cut would be (interior & exterior of tank from weld) and if the interior had to be painted - that cost, and 4.) where are the specifications on the 125,000 gal. tank from Don Loomer.

Landfill. Mayor Baldwin will be attending a landfill meeting in Billings on Oct. 21st.

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Threshers Assoc. The Threshing Bee Assoc. uses approximately 15,000 gal. of water each year at their event. In the past they have been getting water at the pumphouse using quarters. The Assoc. is struggling financially and would appreciate any help from the town. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to allow the Threshers Assoc. to fill at the hydrant across from Ed Darr's at no charge. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Steve will install a gate valve on the hydrant for easy fill and to protect against slamming it open and shut.

Bill Carlisle wants to know about the possibility of a full-time job with the town. Council said if a full-time position opens, the town would have to advertise. Town is not in a position to hire a second man at this time.

Community Service. A juvenile has done community service at the pool, but still has 3½ hr. to do. Council suggested having him sweep and shovel dirt out of the gutters.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

General Fund:

Jenell Bear	285.75
KayCee Finnicum	190.50
Roxanne Nickoloff	45.00
Jeri Gustafson	45.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1460.31
Roxanne Nickoloff	1005.89
Jenell Bear	430.47
KayCee Finnicum	512.94
Andrea Vannatta	340.38
Rhonda Snyder	488.86
Scott Nickoloff	465.03
Michael Lannen	129.41
Lexie Marchwick Wix	278.59
Suzanne Walker	165.72
Mary Fusaro	47.18
PERS	447.06
First Community Bank	1512.78
MT Dept. of Revenue	232.36
MDU	1510.42
Nemont Telephone	188.87
Valley Telecommunications	46.71
Bruce Waldhausen	225.00
Gaffaney's	61.70
Personalized Envelope Program	352.80
QBS	104.49
Hometown Market	17.15
Hennessy Law Office	1804.53
Roosevelt Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Larsen Const.	32.22
Teresia Moore	50.00
S & S Chemical & Oil	96.00
DPC Industries	115.25
Red's Electric	186.70
TOTAL	\$13,791.73

Enterprise Fund:

MSU-Bozeman-Extended Studies	85.00
Postmaster	72.68
Steven Moore	1796.53
William Carlisle	428.14
Joyce S. Norris	141.53
PERS	400.82
First Community Bank	717.86
MT Dept. of Revenue	121.70
MDU	1151.30
Nemont Telephone	74.48
Sheridan Electric	10.00
Oelkers Servicenter	383.66
Hometown Market	15.15
Larsen Const.	22.65
DPC Industries	115.00
Red's Electric	130.00
Miller Oil	3.38
Lance Yuhas	29.50
Julie Dunn-Mackinnon	4.33
Eloise Parker	34.03
Dolly Haase	4.87
Dept. of Public Health	14.00
Hawkins Chemical	207.25
Industrial Systems	399.96
Dana Kepner Co.	2038.00
Northwest Pipe Fittings	729.60
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
TOTAL	\$13,943.92

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Special Funds:

Abe Rumsey	494.53	Oelkers Servicenter	123.83
PERS	82.62	National Geographic Society	17.95
First Community Bank	115.32	Self	14.97
MT Dept. of Revenue	15.58	Miller Oil	2.50
MDU	949.26	Betty Schroeder	75.00
Farm Plan	20.06	Montana Bearings	298.78
Culbertson Implement Co.	741.07		
TOTAL	\$2,951.47		

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Randall Aspelin
Clerk

J. L. Johnson
Mayor

October 7, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Edward Anklam, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Attorney Greg Hennessy. Guests: Don Loomer, Doug McCormick, Dave & Marie Challis. The start of the meeting was delayed until 8:20 p.m. as Don Loomer, Kadrmas Lee & Jackson PC and council were discussing the water storage tank. The September 9, 1996 minutes were approved.

Garbage Contract. Dave and Marie Challis, Dave's Sanitation, attended to negotiate a garbage contract increase. Diesel fuel costs went up 21¢/gal. Jan. 1, 1996. The landfill fee may be going up Jan. 1, 1997 or July 1997. Landfill is \$18.75/ton now and Williston Landfill is looking at going to \$25.00/ton. Discussion was focused on reasons to increase garbage contract price. Council opinion was an increase could be justified by fuel cost and/or landfill fee increases. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to go up 4% (\$192.50/mo.) on garbage contract to cover fuel costs, the 4% is effective Oct. 1, 1996, and to re-negotiate again when landfill rate goes up. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Gordon Oelkers, Bernie W. Finnicum and Edward Anklam. Opposed: Reginal Rudolph. MOTION CARRIED. Dave said there are some garbage containers that are difficult to dump:

Larsen Const. (behind store) - wheel
 Hometown Market - bottom almost out
 Stagecoach - wheel
 Senior Housing - dumpster is junk
 Miller Oil - wheel
 Post Office - no wheels & no lids

Jim will talk to Ron Smith, County Sanitarian about these containers.

Investments. Doug McCormick, First Community Bank discussed benefits of a Sweep Account. A Sweep Account pays interest on all money. Checks are covered on a daily basis. Presently the interest rate on a Sweep is 4.17% and the Super Now Acct. is 2.25%. Sweep Account has a variable interest rate based on 6 month Treasury Bill.

Gordon Oelkers made a motion to put balances from the Regular and Super Now accounts in a Sweep Account. Take \$100,000. from the Sweep Acct. and put in a Treasury Bill for 1 year at 5.65%. When the 11-7-96 \$100,000. CD comes due put that in the Sweep Account. On Feb. 6, 1997 when \$100,000. comes due - re-negotiate to possibly put in a Treasury Bill or another CD. If the Sweep

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Account stays at \$400,000. +, the interest rate will be 1% under 6 month Treasury Bill rate. If the Sweep Acct. goes \$250,000. - \$400,000. then is 1.5% under the 6 month Treasury Bill rate. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk will contact Nemont Telephone Coop. about getting the curb fixed by Pauline Waldow where they went underground with the fiber optic cable.

Records Storage. Clerk asked about partitioning off an area in the town hall garage for records storage. Discussion was 5/8" sheetrock, metal door - not foam impregnated. There is a light there. Clerk will get prices.

Sheriff Office. Restorx hopes to be done with sheriff office fire clean-up soon. Friday, 10-11-96 is scheduled completion date.

Building Permit. Evelyn Harness submitted a sketch to put curbing in front of her property and sidewalk, but there were no measurements so nothing was approved.

Water Usage. Walter Young and Gary Peppenger requested adjustment on their water bills as they said they didn't use the water. Council made no adjustments.

Town Hall. Carsten Beck complained of water that does not run-off in front of town hall after a rain. This goes back to when the street and curb and gutter were put in and the county did not want to put in new sidewalk.

Wastewater. Results of the Comprehensive Performance Evaluation of the Culbertson Wastewater Facility done in July 1996 by Doris Roberts, MSU-Northern is available at the office for inspection.

Sewer Main Line Cleaning. Sewer main line cleaning was already discussed meetings ago. Steve is to have Hi-Line do 1/4 of the town every year. We need to get back on schedule.

Steve purchased a 3T.Garage Jack for \$69.99. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to pay Steve for the jack as long as it is only used for town stuff. Reginal Rudolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Update on Albright vs. DOR. The Montana Supreme Court in an order handed down Aug. 28 limited the impact of a lawsuit that challenges the state's property tax system, and told local governments they do not have to set aside millions of dollars in tax revenue to pay possible refunds.

Property Insurance. Council reviewed FY 1996-97 property insurance policies from Seitz Insurance.

Town Hall. Clerk reported the lock on the front door of town hall is difficult at times for renters of the building. Council said to have Jack Scotson change the lock and re-key the other 2 doors. Stamp all outgoing keys DO NOT DUPLICATE.

Jim reported on Muriel Park water run-off problem. Dump asphalt in middle of road and crown.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #169 & 170 were approved and signed.

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Schooling. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to approved of Steve attending the following schools: Confined Space Safety, 1/2 day in Glasgow on Tuesday, Oct. 29th (.375 CEC's) and Utility Connections Wrokshop in Billings on Oct. 16 & 17 (1.075 CEC's). Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Steve wondered about Paul's Tr. Ct. and shouldn't Paul be running a water main if the lots are split off and sold. There are water service lines under Evelyn Harness place. Not a town problem.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

General Fund:

State Treasurer	225.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1395.67
First Dommunity Bank	436.30
PERS	251.62
MT Dept. of Revenue	73.06
UI Contri. Bureau	54.38
MMIA	699.39
Valley Tele.	41.90
Nemont Telephone	149.61
Thirud Office Supply	30.14
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
MDU	467.87
Seitz Ins. Agency	1035.00
Finnicum's	326.35
Miller Oil	2.75
Hometown Market	11.95
Searchlight	12.00
Roos. Co. Clerk & Recorder	42.00
MMCT & FOA	35.00
Hennessy Law Office	300.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Northwest Pipe Fittings	1593.46
Cornbelt Chemical Co.	1013.17
Oelkers Servicenter	25.00
Mon-Dak Chemical	16.65
Alert-All Corp.	397.50
TOTAL	\$9,677.43

Other Funds:

Fireman's Fund Relief Assn.	923.00
TOTAL	\$923.00

Special Funds:

UI Contri. Bureau	4.75
MMIA	71.45
MDU	945.39
Seitz Ins. Agency	1627.00
Finnicum's	132.58
Miller Oil	22.43
Saturday Evening Post	13.97
Montana Historical Society	20.00
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Larsen Const.	10.02

Enterprise Fund:

Hi-Line Sewer	1268.35
Robert Jasper	403.00
William Carlisle	529.80
Joyce S. Norris	121.73
William Carlisle	483.34
Postmaster	74.38
Steven Moore	1609.41
First Community Bank	669.10
PERS	375.98
MT Dept. of Revenue	109.99
UI Contri. Bureau	31.20
MMIA	460.84
Sheridan Electric	10.00
Nemont Telephone	50.62
MDU	381.23
Seitz Ins. Agency	2435.00
Finnicum's	178.66
Miller Oil	205.19
Hometown Market	29.39
Searchlight	66.00
Cornbelt Chemical Co.	248.75
Oelkers Servicenter	26.57
Mon-Dak Chemical	921.83
Farm Plan	6.76
Anastasia Luft	4.11
Paul Sweet	6.55
Dept. of Public Health	14.00
Inter-Mountain Lab, Inc.	150.00
DPC Industries	10.00
Agri Basics	66.00
Hach Company	201.00
Industrial Systems	83.12
Robert Jasper	78.00
Dave's Sanitation	4812.50
Tom Marchwick	84.00
Arrowhead Pest Control	75.00
TOTAL	\$16,281.40

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Special Funds cont.

Property & Supply Bureau	56.00
Triple M	140.35
Farm Plan	20.64
TOTAL	\$3,139.58

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

J E Baldwin
Mayor

November 4, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Edward Anklam, Gordon Oelkers, James Baldwin, Greg Hennessy and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Absent: Steve Moore. The October 7, 1996 minutes were approved.

Landfill. Jim attended landfill meeting in Billings. The state has not backed off of any regulations as to what can be dumped in Class III landfills. New hours beginning November and through March are the 2nd Monday of each month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Jim talked about hauling tires to Williston Landfill. Hope to burn at the landfill November 12th.

Water Samples. Council discussed the 2nd missed water sample. Reginal Rudolph made a motion to formally reprimand Steve for 2 violations of monthly water samples in written form. With warning if same or similar violations occur within the next 12 months, this will be grounds for dismissal. Council noted Steve's absence from regular council meeting. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Raedelle will call Water Quality Bureau for standing on violations.

Water Storage Tank. Council discussed the water storage tank. The 125,000 gal. tank has 1/3 more storage than having 3 vertical tanks. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to purchase the 125,000 gal. tank from Beach, ND, with Sheridan Sheet Metal cutting it in half and hauling it to Culbertson. Edward Anklam seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Don Loomer with Kadrmas Lee & Jackson will prepare contract for bid letting on site preparation.

Garbage. Council discussed cleaning up the garbage contract and being more specific about reasons to re-negotiate the contract. Examples would be: if customers drop or increase, fuel price increases and landfill rates.

Clerk will write Mike Wilson a letter and remind him that since the garden harvest is done, it's time to move the garage back.

Building Permits. Building permits for Mike Nickoloff, Joe McCormick and Donald Peisar were approved and signed.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #171 & 172 were approved and signed.

Cemetery Waterline. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to pay the bill from LK Enterprised for \$696.00. This is for the price difference from 1½" to 2"

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pipe, extra yard hydrant and difference in 1½" to 2" Backflow Preventor. Gordon Oelkers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Montana Dept. of Transportation. Clerk reported on letters from the Montana Dept. of Transportation: 1.) request for Pedestrian Crossing on U.S. 2 between School and L & R. The Traffice Section will schedule a pedestrian crossing study as soon as their workload permits. The study will collect data that will be used to determine what options are available and what actions (if any) are warranted concerning a pedestrian crossing. 2.) The Department has investigated your request for the removal of an R7-3a "No Parking Here To Corner" sign near the intersection with MT 16 in front of "Me Too Pizza". We have determined that the sign is in a non-standard location and have observed no reason to warrant the sign's continued installation.

Mayor Baldwin attended the pre-bid letting meeting for the Dept. of ~~Transportation~~ Transportation Scale. Bids will be let in December with work to start in the spring of 1997.

MT Dept. of Transportation - Water & Sewer. Gordon Oelkers made a motion to sign the Agreement between the Town of Culbertson and the Montana Department of Transportation to define the sanitary sewer system and water sypply system maintenance responsibilities of the Town and MDT in accordance with State Law which allows MDT to enter into an Agreement with local governments. The term of this Agreement is 50 years and is renewable by mutual agreement from both parties.

TSEP - Sewer Project. The Dept. of Commerce has completed the evaluation and ranking of the applications submitted for funding in the 1996 Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) public facilities competition and submitted its recommendations to the Governor for his consideration. The Governor has accepted the Department's recommendations for the award of grant funds and will present those recommendations to the 1997 Legislature for its consideration. The application submitted by the Town of Culbertson will be recommended for funding as requested. The Town's application was ranked number 36 out of 40 applications. Based on Dept. of Commerce projections of TSEP revenues in fiscal years 1998 & 1999, the Town's project would possibly receive grant funding, but only if projects ranked above us are not able to move forward, thereby allowing the available TSEP funds to be used for projects further down on the priority list. Projects that do not receive funding in fiscal years 1998 and 1999 would be required to submit new applications for the next funding cycle and be ranked along with the applicants for the next TSEP public facilities competition.

Water Treatment Plant. There was some discussion about the water treatment controls and alarm system. Council wants Steve to come up with information on different options.

Alfred Heupel pasture lease is up, but no action was taken.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

<u>General Fund:</u>		<u>Enterprise Fund:</u>	
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1471.39	MDU	642.43
PERS	267.28	James Baldwin	186.60

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General Fund cont.

MT Dept. of Revenue	79.97
First Community Bank	472.18
Valley Telecommunications	35.48
Oelkers Servicenter	54.79
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00
Gaffaney's	4.15
Scotty's Locksmith Service	135.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Roos. Co. Clerk & Recorder	29.00
Kadrmas Lee & Jackson	51.20
Larsen Const.	32.18
Hennessy Law Office	163.32
Nemont Tele.	165.18
MDU	348.61
TOTAL	\$4,351.39

Special Funds:

William Carlisle	98.35
PERS	17.54
MT Dept. of Revenue	4.08
First Community Bank	30.27
Oelkers Servicenter	123.82
Family Circle	15.97
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Karen Baxter	35.21
Steve Moore	69.99
Miller Oil Co.	8.93
Michael Todd & Co.	12.50
Farm Plan	57.78
Triple M	116.80
Bob Jasper	45.50
Prairie Sand & Gravel	30.00
MDU	948.21
TOTAL	\$1,689.95

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Raedelle Aspenlieder
Clerk

Enterprise Fund cont.

Postmaster	73.84
Joyce S. Norris	101.92
William Carlisle	295.08
Steven Moore	1707.08
PERS	359.90
MT Dept. of Revenue	107.73
First Community Bank	636.07
Sheridan Electric	10.00
Oelkers Servicenter	198.60
Michael Todd & Co.	12.50
Sathe Analytical Lab	25.00
DPC Industries Inc.	91.75
Northwest Pipe Fittings	389.90
Industrial Systems	766.56
Dave's Sanitation	5005.00
Tom Marchwick	96.00
The Searchlight	36.00
Nemont Tele.	52.21
MDU	550.87
TOTAL	\$11,345.04

J. L. Baldwin
Mayor

December 2, 1996. The Culbertson Town Council met in regular session with the following present: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum, Edward Anklam, James Baldwin, Greg Hennessy, Steve Moore and Raedelle Aspenlieder. Gordon Oelkers arrived later. Guests: Alan Aspenlieder. The November 4, 1996 minutes were approved.

Performance. Council asked Steve if he had any questions concerning the letter he received about his missing the second water sample. Steve had no questions. Council explained the letter was an effort to get him to improve his performance.

Landfill. The wood pile at the landfill has been burned and the ashes hauled to Williston landfill.

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Fire Dept. Fire Chief Alan Aspenlieder said the breathing apparatuses the department currently uses are no longer certified nor are they safe for fire entry. The fire department has been checking prices for 6 masks, 12 bottles, air compressor and a 4 bottle Cascade System. This would be on a lease/purchase agreement over 5 years. The cost is \$22,500. @ 5.98% interest rate and \$5338.60/year payment. The outdated breathing apparatuses would be traded in, as they are still usable for hazardous waste conditions, but not fire entry. The department still has to discuss this with the County Commissioners. The fire department is requesting the council budget for this item for the next 5 years - \$3000./yr. for new breathing system, \$1500./yr. for operations and \$1000./yr. for maintenance for a total of \$5500./yr. The department is planning for the annual payment of the new system to be \$3000. Town, \$2000. County and \$338.60 from fire dept.

Reginal Rudolph made a motion to support the fire department in purchasing the breathing apparatus system and suggested they pursue grants if possible. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum and Edward Anklam. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED. Council agreed to budget amount requested.

Mayor Baldwin asked Steve if he had fixed the hole in the ceiling that Restorx had cut. Steve said no. Jim asked him to fix it.

Dumpsters. Council would like Ron Smith, County Sanitarian, to send letters to those that have not yet fixed their dumpsters. Clerk will check with Dave Challis to see about which dumpsters have not yet been fixed. The Post Office has not been fixed.

Did Mike Wilson move his garage back yet?

Scale/Rest Area. December 5, 1996 they are going to let the contract on the scale/rest area job.

Garbage. Attorney Hennessy filed for an extension on garbage case at the supreme court. The request was for 3 weeks, so due Dec. 28th. Request was granted.

Water Tank Site. Don Loomer, Kadrmas Lee & Jackson, asked if it would be okay to advertise the water tank site preparation for bid in January 1997 and open bids at the February 1997 council meeting. Council wants to know where the advertising will be done, suggested county and local papers. Bernie W. Finnicum made a motion to advertise the water tank site preparation for bid in January 1997 and open bids at the February 1997 council meeting. Edward Anklam seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Bernie W. Finnicum, Edward Anklam and Reginal Rudolph. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

Sports Complex. The town agreed to be the sponsoring agent for a grant application submitted to the Montana Community Foundation for \$3000., on behalf of the Sports Complex restroom.

Treasurer Report. Reginal Rudolph made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report for Oct. 1996. Bernie W. Finnicum seconded the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion: Reginal Rudolph, Bernie W. Finnicum and Edward Anklam. Absent and not voting: Gordon Oelkers. MOTION CARRIED.

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Garbage. Shane Mathre lives in Paul's Trailer Court. He said they did not receive garbage pick-up for 2 months so he hauled it to school in Williston with him. He deducted \$24.00 from his bill. Clerk contacted Dave's Sanitation and he is now receiving service. Council agreed to write-off the \$24.00 since Shane was erroneously missed.

GJV's. General journal vouchers #173 & 174 were approved and signed.

Town received a copy of "Application for Transfer of Ownership of Montana All-Alcoholic Beverage License No. 17-218-6938-001, Stagecoach Casino, Culbertson, Roosevelt County." No local deficiencies were noted.

Cemetery Waterline. Laurie Mattelin called and the Women's Club would like a letter from the Town stating the Town was satisfied with cemetery waterline installation and Town paid LK Enterprises the difference from 1½" to 2" line. Steve said the installation was acceptable and that they had charged the line overnight and there were no leaks. Council said to send a note and now the line belongs to the town.

Montana Rural Water is sponsoring a workshop in Sidney on Thursday, Dec. 5th with topic of telemetry. Council approved of Steve attending.

SVO. Jerry Knick would like Mayor Baldwin to call Ralph Peck, Director, Montana Dept. of Agriculture for assistance in the safflower plant. Jerry would like the Dept. of Ag to send out a questionnaire for potential production-specifically safflower. Mayor Baldwin will call Ralph Peck in support of this effort.

TSEP. The town received a copy of the application ranking form which explains the Treasure State Endowment Program ranking for the Town's TSEP application.

Clerk shared sewer information from Doris Roberts, MSU-Northern. Information included a job description, lagoon log and a routine activities list.

The following bills were reviewed by the auditing committee and ordered paid:

<u>General Fund:</u>		<u>Enterprise Fund:</u>	
Culb. State Agency	50.00	Postmaster	74.36
LK Enterprises	696.00	Finnicum's	45.49
Postmaster	32.00	Team Lab Chem. Corp.	951.46
Finnicum's	36.59	Donna Wilkerson	50.00
Bruce Waldhausen	125.00	Cully Barrett	50.00
James Baldwin	1500.00	Larry Damm	50.00
Hometown Market	12.99	Dept. of Public Health	14.00
Valley Tele.	35.48	Inter-Mountain Lab, Inc.	670.00
Elgen Aerial	675.00	First Community Bank	300.00
Raedelle Aspenlieder	1409.09	Montana Bearings	12.03
PERS	254.67	DPC Industries	15.00
First Community Bank	445.78	GA Industries, Inc.	397.62
MT Dept. of Revenue	73.21	Kadrmas Lee & Jackson	62.40
First Community Bank	44.50	Industrial Chem Labs, Inc.	118.61
Gaffaney's	224.00	Dave's Sanitation	5005.00
Hennessy Law Office	287.25	Tom Marchwick	12.00
MDU	758.21	Williston Sanitary Landfill	146.00
TOTAL	\$6,659.77	Joyce S. Norris	99.36

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Special Funds:

Finnicum's	72.26
Betty Schroeder	75.00
Roos. Co. Sheriff Dept.	916.66
Franz Const. Inc.	4576.00
Team Lab Chem. Corp.	211.46
Farm Plan	17.16
Miller Oil Co.	67.40
Bob Jasper	45.50
MDU	<u>1046.93</u>
TOTAL	\$7,028.37

Enterprise Funds cont.:

Steven Moore	1536.10
William Carlisle	248.14
PERS	314.74
First Community Bank	528.36
MT Dept.of Revenue	91.09
Miller Oil Co.	567.18
Oelkers Servicenter	199.63
Sheridan Electric Co-Op	10.00
MDU	<u>104.96</u>
TOTAL	\$11.673.53

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Lorraine Aspinwall
Clerk

J. E. Baldoni
Mayor