

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG-RANGE PLANNING

**Call to Order:** Chair Rob Cook, on January 15, 2013 at 8:01 AM, in Room 317B Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Rob Cook, Chair (R)  
Sen. Dave Lewis, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)  
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)  
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Jon C. Sesso (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Catherine Duncan, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Christine Hultin, Office of Budget and Program Planning  
Mary Ann Mackay, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 11, 1/10/2013  
HB 6, 1/10/2013

00:16:50 Chair Cook

### **HB 6 & HB 11 Project Hearings**

#### **City of Choteau, Choteau of Wastewater System Improvements, Phase 2**

00:17:22 John Dunckel, Mayor, Choteau

00:21:54 Chair Cook

00:22:00 Pam Smith, Renewable Resource Grant Loan Program (RRGL) and Resource Development Bureau, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a03\)](#)

#### **City of Hamilton, Hamilton Wastewater System Improvements, Phase 2**

00:22:43 Keith Smith, Public Works Director, City of Hamilton

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a04\)](#)

00:24:39 Sen. Sesso arrived.

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:26:26 Chair Cook

00:26:31 Mr. Smith, DNRC

00:26:43 Chair Cook

00:26:46 Sen. Lewis

00:27:00 Cathy Duncan, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a05\)](#)

00:27:36 Ms. Smith, DNRC

#### **Town of Lodge Grass, Lodge Grass Wastewater System Improvements**

00:27:55 Rea Dawn Ten Bear

00:31:23 Chair Cook

00:31:31 Newton Old Crow, Sr., Lodge Grass

00:32:07 Donald Dreamer, Lodge Grass

00:33:00 Chair Cook

00:33:03 Ms. Smith, DNRC

#### **Town of Manhattan, Manhattan Water System Improvements**

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a06\)](#)

00:33:28 Bob Church, Engineer, representing Manhattan

00:34:30 Ms. Smith, DNRC

#### **Town of Stevensville, Stevensville Wastewater System Improvements, Phase 2**

00:34:54 Gene Min Mack, Mayor, Stevensville

00:37:03 Chair Cook

00:37:10 Rep. Roger Hagan, HD 19

00:37:14 Ms. Smith, DNRC

#### **City of Havre, City of Havre Wastewater System Improvements**

00:37:30 Chair Cook

00:37:34 Michelle Turville, City of Havre  
 00:38:12 Dave Peterson, Public Works Director, City of Havre  
 00:41:21 Chair Cook

00:41:25 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Cascade, Cascade Water System Improvements**

00:41:41 Roger Hagan, HD 19  
 00:41:55 Chair Cook  
 00:42:35 Sen Brad Hamlett, SD 20  
 00:44:15 Chair Cook  
 00:44:21 Ms. Smith, DNRC  
 00:44:36 Chair Cook

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:44:42 Sen. Sesso  
 00:46:15 Chair Cook  
 00:46:25 Ms. Smith, DNRC  
 00:47:05 Chair Cook  
 00:47:08 Kelly Lynch, Division Administrator, Community Development, Department of  
 Commerce (COMM)  
 00:47:49 Chair Cook

00:48:03 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Drummond, Drummond Wastewater System Improvements**

00:48:23 Ms. Lynch, COMM, read email from Mayor Dale Leeper

00:49:17 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**City of Malta, Malta Water Systems Improvements**

00:49:24 Ms. Turville,  
 00:50:02 Carolyn Schmoeckel, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Malta  
 00:52:10 Chair Cook  
 00:52:17 Erling Juel, Engineer, Keating Engineering, Great Falls  
 00:54:40 Chair Cook

00:54:44 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**City of Chinook, Water System Improvements**

00:54:58 Ms. Turville, City of Chinook  
 00:55:37 Jamie Neibauer, Mayor, Chinook  
 00:57:10 Cory Fox, Water Superintendent, Water Treatment Plant, Chinook  
 01:00:03 Chair Cook

01:00:11 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Philipsburg, Philipsburg Water System Improvements**

01:00:34 Anne Fillmore, Mayor, Philipsburg  
 01:02:52 Chair Cook

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:02:57 Rep. McChesney  
 01:03:05 Ms. Fillmore  
 01:03:13 Chair Cook

01:03:26 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Cascade, Cascade Water System Improvements**

01:03:52 Bill Peterson, Mayor, Cascade

01:06:59 Murray Morre, Council Member, Cascade

01:08:12 Chair Cook

01:08:18 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Moore, Moore Wastewater System Improvements**

01:08:37 Linda Barthol, Mayor, Moore

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:12:44 Chair Cook

01:12:54 Ms. Barthol

01:13:38 Chair Cook

01:13:49 Ms. Barthol

01:13:56 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Roundup, Roundup Water System Improvements**

01:14:11 David Picchiono, City Councilman, Roundup

01:15:30 Chair Cook

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:15:36 Sen. Lewis

01:15:46 Mr. Picchioni

01:16:11 Chair Cook

01:16:17 Sen. Lewis

01:16:24 Mr. Picchioni

01:16:30 Sen. Alan Olson, SD 23

01:16:55 Chair Cook

01:17:04 Rep. Tom Berry, HD 45

01:17:29 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Joliet, Joliet Wastewater System Improvements**

01:17:55 Joe Dooling, Kadmas, Lee and Jackson

01:18:22 Chair Cook

01:18:27 Mr. Dooling

01:18:33 Chair Cook

01:18:41 Ms. Smith, DNRC

**Town of Pinesdale, Pinesdale Water System Improvements**

01:19:00 Mr. Dooling, Kadmas, Lee and Jackson

01:19:41 Chair Cook

01:19:51 Ms. Smith, DNRC

01:20:00 Chair Cook

01:20:08 Anna Miller, Finance Office, DNRC

01:20:41 Chair Cook

01:20:56 Recessed

01:37:25 Reconvened

**Treasure State Endowment Program, (TSEP) Projects**

01:37:28 Kelly Lynch, COMM

**Musselshell County, Water and Sewer District**

01:38:16 Adair Rademacher, Musselshell Community County Water and Sewer District

01:41:58 Chair Cook

01:42:08 Rep Tom Berry, HD 45

01:42:33 Sen Alan Olson, SD 23

01:43:00 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Hill County**

01:43:13 Chair Cook

01:43:17 Ms. Turville, Bear Paw Development, representing North Havre and Hill County

01:43:56 Chair Cook

01:44:00 Mark Peterson, Hill County Commissioner

**EXHIBIT(jlh07a07)**

01:46:27 Chair Cook

01:46:34 Mike Wendlend, Commissioner Hill County

01:47:16 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Town of Hot Springs**

01:47:30 Chair Cook

01:47:33 Randall Woods, Mayor, Hot Springs

01:51:13 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Seeley Lake Sewer District**

01:51:30 Amy Rose, Acting District Manager, Seeley Lake Sewer District

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:54:36 Chair Cook

01:54:42 Ms. Rose

01:55:11 Chair Cook

01:55:16 Ms. Rose

01:55:29 Chair Cook

01:55:34 Sen. Lewis

01:56:04 Ms. Rose

01:56:12 Sen. Lewis

01:56:16 Chair Cook

01:56:27 Ms. Rose

01:56:32 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Town of Harlem**

01:56:57 Ms. Turville, Bear Paw Development, representing Harlem

01:57:46 Former Sen. Ken Hansen, Harlem City Council

01:59:59 Chair Cook

02:00:10 Richard Mohar, Public Works Director, Harlem

**Comments:**

02:03:32 Chair Cook  
02:04:09 Mr. Mohar  
02:04:17 Ryan Rittal, Stahley Engineering

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:05:34 Chair Cook  
02:05:39 Mr. Rittal  
02:05:42 Chair Cook  
02:05:44 Sen. Ripley  
02:06:08 Chair Cook  
02:06:10 Christine Hultin, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)  
02:06:38 Sen. Ripley  
02:06:48 Chair Cook  
02:07:07 Sen. Sesso  
02:12:14 Chair Cook  
02:12:20 Ms. Turville  
02:13:40 Chair Cook  
02:13:49 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:14:11 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:14:52 Chair Cook  
02:14:55 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
**EXHIBIT(jlh07a08)**  
02:15:35 Chair Cook  
02:15:40 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:15:59 Chair Cook  
02:16:02 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:16:09 Chair Cook  
02:16:19 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:16:23 Sen. Sesso  
02:17:54 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:18:26 Chair Cook

**City of Polson**

02:18:46 Paul Montgomery, Anderson-Montgomery Consulting Engineers, Helena,  
representing City of Polson

**EXHIBIT(jlh07a09)**

02:22:21 Chair Cook

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:22:25 Sen. Ripley  
02:22:35 Mr. Montgomery  
02:22:42 Sen. Ripley  
02:22:45 Mr. Montgomery

02:23:02 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**City of Conrad**

Wendy Judisch, Mayor, Conrad

02:25:51 Chair Cook  
02:26:11 Ms. Judisch

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:26:19 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:26:46 Sen. Sesso  
02:27:32 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:29:42 Sen. Sesso  
02:30:00 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:30:10 Sen. Sesso  
02:30:26 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:30:44 Sen. Sesso  
02:31:30 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:31:41 Sen. Sesso  
02:31:44 Chair Cook  
02:31:47 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
02:32:03 Sen. Sesso  
02:32:30 Ms. Lynch, COMM

02:32:44 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Missoula County**

02:33:05 Greg Robertson, Director Public Works, Missoula County

02:36:38 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Lewis and Clark Bridge**

02:36:51 Gordon Morris, Lewis and Clark County and Montana Association of County (MACo) Road Systems, on behalf of both Lewis & Clark County and Road Supervisor, Harry Griffith

02:38:01 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Beaverhead County Bridge**

02:38:25 James Carpita, Beaverhead County Engineer, Dillon

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a10\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a11\)](#)

02:40:43 Chair Cook

02:40:47 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Granite County Bridge**

02:41:14 Bart Bonney, Commissioner, Granite County

02:44:02 Chair Cook

02:44:11 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Carbon County Bridge**

02:44:20 John Prinkki

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:46:07 Chair Cook  
02:46:16 Ms. Lynch, COMM  
[EXHIBIT\(jlh07a12\)](#)  
02:46:36 Chair Cook

02:46:51 Ms. Lynch, COMM

02:46:55 Chair Cook

**Ravalli County Bridge**

02:47:01 Greg Chilcott, Ravalli County Commissioner

02:48:56 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Powell County Bridge**

02:49:04 Ralph Mannix, Chairman, Powell County Board of Commissioners

02:52:52 Chair Cook

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:53:04 Sen. Lewis

02:53:22 Ms. Lynch, COMM

02:53:50 Chair Cook

02:53:57 Mr. Mannix

02:54:42 Chris Laity, Great West Engineering

02:57:02 Sen. Sesso

02:57:22 Cathy Duncan (LFD)

02:57:37 Sen.Sesso

02:57:41 Ms. Lynch, COMM

02:57:44 Sen.Sesso

02:57:50 Ms. Lynch, COMM

02:57:55 Sen. Sesso

02:58:07 Chair Cook

02:58:10 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Judith Basin County Bridge**

02:58:27 Tucker Hughes, Judith Basin County Commissioner and Rancher

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

03:01:55 Chair Cook

03:02:04 Mr. Hughes

03:02:59 Greg Benjamin, Stahly Engineering

03:05:01 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Blaine County Bridge**

03:05:12 Ms. Turville, representing Blaine County Commissioners

03:07:04 Greg Benjamin, Blaine County Engineer, Stahly Engineering

03:08:22 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Jefferson County Bridge**

03:08:33 Leonard Wortman, Chair, Jefferson County Commissioner

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

03:11:09 Chair Cook

03:11:15 Mr. Wortman

03:11:47 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Stillwater County Bridge**

03:11:58 Jerry Dell, Chairman, Stillwater County Commissioner

03:13:45 Chair Cook

03:13:49 Ms. Lynch, COMM

**Chouteau County Bridge**

03:14:05 Ms. Turville, Bear Paw Development for Chouteau County, representing  
Chouteau County Commissioners

03:14:47 Carl Yakawich, Great West Engineering

03:16:26 Chair Cook

03:16:29 Ms. Turville

03:16:56 Chair Cook

03:17:01 Ms. Turville

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

03:17:12 Ms. Lynch, COMM

03:17:53 Chair Cook

03:17:58 Ms. Lynch, COMM

03:18:01 Chair Cook

03:18:07 Ms. Lynch, COMM

03:18:10 Chair Cook

03:18:19 Ms. Lynch, COMM

03:18:21 Chair Cook

**Yellowstone County Bridge**

03:18:34 Ed Bartlett, Lawyer and Lobbyist, Billings

03:20:02 Chair Cook

03:20:07 Mr. Bartlett

**Public Comments and Questions:**

03:20:17 Maureen Connor, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

03:21:19 Chair Cook

03:21:46 Ms. Lynch, COMM

03:22:06 Chair Cook

03:22:09 Ms. Lynch, COMM

03:22:14 Chair Cook

03:22:47 Richard Knatterud, Civil Engineer, COMM

03:25:53 Chair Cook

03:25:56 Mr. Knatterud, COMM

03:26:10 Chair Cook

03:26:18 Mr. Knatterud, COMM

03:27:16 Chair Cook

03:27:21 Ms. Connor, MACo

03:27:26 Chair Cook

03:27:34 Ms. Connor, MACo

03:28:53 Chair Cook

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

03:29:13	Rep. McChesney
03:29:44	Ms. Lynch, COMM
03:30:03	Ms. Connor, MACo
03:30:13	Chair Cook

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 03:31:11

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Mary Ann Mackay, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jlh07aad.pdf](#))**