Broadus Town Council Special Meeting August 24, 2006

Mayor Milton Amsden; Councilman Richard Sturtz; Councilman Harlan Jones; Councilman Robert Traub; Town Judge Rebecca Mceuen; and Clerk Peggy Fruit.

Mayor Amsden called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Discussion began about the Interlocal Law Enforcement Agreement with Powder River County and whether or not to renew it. The general consensus of the Council the Town is not getting adequate coverage of Law enforcement.

One of the concerns is the amount of stop signs that are not stopped at and no one is being picked up. The main intersection in Broadus seems to be the worst for people not stopping and the potential of someone being injured is high. Clerk Fruit pointed out that our agreement with the County does not include traffic, all traffic codes are written in to District Court. The Town's concern is public safety not monitory value. Discussion of adopting the traffic codes ordinance and having tickets written into Town Court. This matter will be tabled until more research is done.

Paragraph four (4) of the Interlocal Law Agreement needs to be amended, will discuss this matter with the Town Attorney. Clerk Fruit will set up a time to meet with him.

With no further discussion, the meeting was	adjourned at 6:15 p.m.
Peggy Fruit, Clerk	Milton Amsden, Mayor
Broadus Town Council Special Meeting August 28, 2006	
Councilman Richard Sturtz; Councilman Ha and Clerk Peggy Fruit.	rlan Jones; Councilman David Day; Town Attorney Jeff Noble;
held; Town Attorney Noble suggested omitti codes dealing with the railroad. Be sure to lis Justice of the Peace, Judge Peggy Jones the	er. Discussion of adopting the traffic codes into Town Court was ing anything that didn't pertain to Broadus example being, any set the codes exactly as written in the code book. Discuss with amount of activity that has been reported in the past year. Also to see how they are doing the traffic codes, whether the Town e of the Peace handles them.
any of these guidelines would be usable for t	the officers guidelines from the Highway Patrol Office to see if the Town. Have the officers report to the Council a duty log, other so that the Council knows the amount of enforcement being
Clerk Fruit will contact the Highway Patrol t duty logs which they fill out daily.	to get information on their officer guidelines and copies of the
Town Attorney agreed to help with a traffic of	ordinance, if the Town chooses to adopt one.
Meeting was adjourned.	
Peggy Fruit, Clerk	Richard Sturtz, Councilman

Broadus Town Council Special Meeting August 30, 2006

Mayor Milton Amsden; Councilman David Day; Councilman Harlan Jones; Councilman Robert Traub; Town Judge Rebecca Mceuen; Sheriff John Blain; and Clerk Peggy Fruit.

Mayor Amsden called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Clerk Fruit reported that Highway Patrol guideline are not based on number of tickets written but on the officers performance evaluation the officer must stay within 80% of the detachment quarterly average. Copies of the duty logs were shown to all in attendance. Clerk Fruit presented the draft ordinance of adopting the traffic codes. Will need to have it reviewed by the Town Attorney and make any necessary changes if the Council agrees on adoption of the ordinance. Sheriff Blain cautioned the Council on adopting the traffic codes, be sure to have researched this prior to adopting. These codes include DUI's which can become very costly. Plus the Town would need to enter into another agreement to house anyone whom is picked up and would require jail time. If the adoption of this ordinance is done, Judge Mceuen will need to draw up a schedule for court appearances and bonding schedule for the sheriff office.

Discussed public awareness of law enforcement with Sheriff Blain; copy of a newspaper reporting officer log, different than the Court report. The Council feels the public needs to be made aware of the activities happening within the town.

Would like the paragraph #4 of the Interlocal Law Agreement either taken out or amended, as it stands it is very one sided.

Need to improve the communications between the agencies, the current communication is nil and should be changed. Would like to have law enforcement meetings; prior to the election of Sheriff Blain, Councilman Day attend law enforcement meetings, these have been discontinued. It was a form of communication between the agencies. The sheriff office used to provide a monthly report of the officers log to inform the Town of the level of law enforcement. Clerk Fruit mentioned the reports became fewer and fewer and for the past two years the Town has not received one. Sheriff Blain is not opposed to having law enforcement meetings as needed, nor is he opposed to log reporting and keeping the public informed; both of these areas will be considered and discussed again.

With no further discussion at this time, the meeting was adjourned.		
Peggy Fruit, Clerk	Milton Amsden, Mayor	
Broadus Town Council Regular Meeting		

September 5, 2006

Mayor Milton Amsden; Councilman Harlan Jones; Councilman David Day; Councilman Robert Traub; Southeastern Montana Development Corporation Jim Atichson; County Commissioners Ray Traub, Nancy Espy, and Betty Aye; County Attorney Jeff Noble; Sheriff John Blain; Public Works Shane Laplant; and Clerk Peggy Fruit.

Mayor Amsden called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Jim Atichson, SEMDC presented the updates on SEMDC and Council agreed to renewal of membership.

Clerk Fruit reported the Town computer failure and will be taking it to Billings on Wednesday to try to get Utility Billing and Accounting programs retrieved. Therefore no utility billing will sent out for August at this time and no claims will be presented at this meeting. Clerk Fruit will put notice in the paper about delayed utility billing. Council approved purchase of a new computer system.

Mayor Amsden began the discussion with the County Commissioner about the Law Enforcement Agreement. The Town wants better communication written up and presented to the Council; also discussed publishing it in the paper to inform the public about the level of law enforcement. Commissioner Aye is concerned about the costs of the publishing and who would be responsible for the costs. Clerk Fruit will contact Powder River Examiner to discuss the costs, it maybe published like Joe does the Court Reports. Sheriff Blain discussed the passed year's Violations in the Justice Court was right at 25% of the tickets written were written within the Town's limits.

Sheriff Blain presented a revised copy of the of the law enforcement agreement. The following amendments were made: "Powder River County reserves the right to determine the level of law enforcement services provided to county residents, including dispatch and detention services, but will provide that same level of service to the Town of Broadus and their ordinances." Now states: "Powder River County shall provide a written summary of its law enforcement activities within the Town of Broadus on a monthly basis (which

shall include the number of citations issued, the number of stops made, the number of telephone calls responded to, etc.) The County shall provide a reasonable and necessary level of law enforcement services to the Town's residents, similar to the services provided to the County's residents. The parties shall enter into a separate written agreement regarding dispatch and detention services, if the Town adopts additional ordinances which require the incarceration of Defendants."

The County Commissioners and County Attorney removed themselves from the meeting for the Council to finish discussion and make their decision. It was agreed to accept the Interlocal Law Agreement with the changes and signed the agreement.

Clerk Fruit presented the Council with a copy of the Lagoon contamination bill which was sent to Lawrence Giacometto for payment. Clerk Fruit had talked to Mr. Giacometto at the time of the incident, he reported that he would pay the bill personally and there was no need to contact the insurance. The bill still remains unpaid. Council recommended forwarding the bill onto the Town Attorney for action.

Councilman Jones moved to approve the 2006-2007 Town Budgets as presented by Clerk Fruit. Councilman Day seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Works Laplant reported the lagoon building is at the Town shop and will be set in place in October. TRECO hasn't made their final decision on how to change the power to the main well; PW Laplant will contact them again.

Sheriff Blain a presented concern about the amount of minor's with alcohol during the recent street dance and asked the Town's policy for having street dances. No one has ever contacted the Town about having a street dance, they are just done. It was suggested to either adopt a open containers ordinance for the Town of Broadus or a policy the Town shall be notified of all street dances to receive approval to close streets, and fill out a form with the basic question: who's sponsoring the dance, name of band, date, time, and who is the main contact. It was agreed that if this option is the one taken all streets surrounding the dance should be blocked to through traffic. The Town would help to block off the streets. Public Works Laplant will price barricades. A fee would be accessed and the amount would be researched. Clerk Fruit will check whether or not this would be a policy or a ordinance. The topic is tabled until further information is gathered and presented.

With no further	business to discuss	, Mayor Amsdei	n adjourned this meet	ing of the Broadus	Town Council at
7:15 p.m.					

Peggy Fruit, Clerk	Milton Amsden, Mayor

Broadus Town Council Regular Meeting October 3, 2006

Mayor Milton Amsden; Councilman Harlan Jones; Councilman David Day; Councilman Robert Traub; Councilman Richard Sturtz; Sheriff John Blain; Public Works Shane Laplant; and Clerk Peggy Fruit.

Mayor Amsden called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Sturtz moved to approve minutes of the previous meeting as submitted by Clerk Fruit. Councilman Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sheriff Blain presented the monthly detail log for the Town for the month of September. A copy of the report will be submitted to Powder River Examiner.

Clerk Fruit reported that price quotes have been requested for speed limit sign with and without trailer. Auditor has scheduled January 9th and 10th for the annual Town Audit.

Clerk Fruit will be gone October 5th through October 15th. David Day will be covering the office from 9:00 am to 3 pm.

Public Works will put tin on the office awning and finish the building at the lagoon in the next couple weeks. Quote for the influent flow meter were received at 2900.00 plus electrical installation. Council approved the purchase.

The following claims were reviewed and approved by the Council:

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2571 The Corner Store	supply	309.80
2572 Canon Repair	repairs	105.78
2579 Montana Municipal Insurance Authority	premium	6321.77
2580 Powder River County	Law Enforcement	9400.00
2581 WCS Telecom	utility	20.13
2582 Robert Traub	reimbursement	40.00
2583 David Day	reimbursement	40.00
2584 Harlan Jones	reimbursement	40.00
2585 Richard Sturtz	reimbursement	40.00
2586 Milton Amsden	reimbursement	40.00
2587 McEuen Rebecca	wages	158.30
2588 Tongue River Electric Cooperative	utility	2941.09
2589 Mid Rivers Communication	utility	192.73
2590 Range Telephone Cooperative	utility	120.30
2591 Dental Network of America	insurance premium	427.60
2593 Fruit, Peggy	wages	1227.41
2594 Laplant, Shane	wages	1166.41
2595 Williams, Michael	wages	1125.12
2596 Ragsdale, Raymond	wages	1028.26
2597 Ferguson, Walter	wages	571.87
2598 Coulter, Jason	wages	83.11
2600 Ragsdale, Raymond	wages	913.40
2601 Laplant, Shane	wages	1050.65
2602 Ferguson, Walter	wages	576.73
2603 Williams, Michael	wages	993.65
2604 Department of Revenue	withholdings	371.00
2605 Rocky Mountain Bank	withholdings	2339.76
2606 Rocky Mountain Bank	withholdings	2029.70
2607 Department of Revenue	withholdings	299.00
	~	6044.75
2608 EMC Insurance Companies	insurance premium dues	50.00
2609 Montana Municipal Clerk-Treasurer		
2610 Earley Electric 2611 Aflac	repairs	933.34
	insurance premium	125.46
2612 Big Horn Marketing	supply	33.25
2613 Catey Controls Inc	supply	8.10
2614 Ragsdale, Raymond	reimburse supply	52.22
2615 MMIA Montana	insurance premium	3606.20
2616 Noble Law Firm PC	legal service	50.00
2617 Grant Trucking and Repair	repairs	684.96
2618 Signal Butte Computers	repairs	15.00
2619 Quad K Supply	supply	36.75
2620 Quill	supply	87.25
2622 The Corner Store	supply	312.85
2623 Copps Hardware & Lumber	supply	113.52
2624 Powder River Examiner	purchase service	80.00
2625 Alderman Oil Company	supply	1518.73
2626 D&P Auto Clinic	supply	15.00
2627 Dental Network of America	insurance premium	427.60
2628 Energy Laboratories	purchase service	15.00
2629 Larry IGA	supply	79.77
2630 Quill	supply	63.48
2631 Northern Tool & Equipment Co	supply	3.93
2632 KBS Computer Solutions	supply	75.00
2633 Carquest Auto Parts Stores	supply	404.72
2634 KBS Computer Solutions Inc.	purchase service	10.00
2635 Postmaster	supply	39.00

2636 Fruit, Peggy	mileage	218.05
2637 Postmaster	supply	74.64
2644 Powder River County	law enforcement	2350.00
2646 Robert Traub	reimbursement	40.00
2647 David Day	reimbursement	40.00
2648 Harlan Jones	reimbursement	40.00
2649 Richard Sturtz	reimbursement	40.00
2650 Milton Amsden	reimbursement	40.00
2651 McEuen Rebecca	wages	148.03
2652 Tongue River Electric Cooperative	utility	2589.35
2653 Mid Rivers Telephone Cooperative	utility	138.54
2654 Range Telephone Cooperative	utility	116.93
2656 Skyview TV Inc	utility	12.00
2657 Dana Kepner Co	supply	392.60
2658 MMIA Montana	insurance premium	3606.20
2659 Hawkins Water Treatment	supply	1889.00
2660 Southeastern Montana Development	dues	445.00
2661 The Corner Store	supply	370.12

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Amsden adjourned this meeting of the Broadus Town Council at 7:15 p.m.

Peggy Fruit, Clerk Milton Amsden, Mayor

Broadus Town Council Regular Meeting

Regular Meeting
November 7, 2006

Mayor Milton Amsden; Councilman Harlan Jones; Councilman Robert Traub; Councilman Richard Sturtz; Guest Karen Amende; Public Works Raymond Ragsdale; and Clerk Peggy Fruit.

Mayor Amsden called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Sturtz moved to approve minutes of the previous meeting as submitted by Clerk Fruit. Councilman Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Works reported the shed at the lagoon is done; Earley Electric will be in to complete the required wiring. Fuel sensor unit not working correctly in big dump truck; have made an appointment at J&S Tire & Lube to have it fixed. Chlorine not operating correctly, have contacted Hawkins for troubleshooting ideas to repair the chlorinator and get it back on line. Grant Trucking Repair is currently working on the Town's motor grader fixing leaks. The loader has a leak that still remains a mystery as to where it is; will take to Grant Trucking Repair if not found soon.

No report from sheriff department for the month of October 2006. Clerk Fruit will order the speed limit radar sign.

Clerk Fruit will contact Public Health Nurse to schedule flu shots for the public works department.

Councilman David Day will be out of the state until November 12, 2006.

Clerk Fruit approached the Mayor and Council about joining Powder River Chamber. It was agreed the Town will show support the Chamber and join as a member.

Cody Morris contacted Clerk Fruit regarding the Town's property which is located between their property and the alley just north of their home. Mr. Morris is interested in purchasing this property from the Town. After discussion of the property transaction, it was agreed not to sell the property. Technically the road north of Morris's is one half of a street and if the Town should ever expand this portion of property would be needed to for street.

Karen Amende met with the Council to discuss annexation of their 10 lots south of Broadus into the Town's limits. After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed to begin with the annexation process. Upon completion of the annexing, Amende's will discuss with an engineer about connecting the property into their existing sewer system which flows into the Town's sewer system.

Public Works Ragsdale discussed the benefits of having a grinder pump installed into the main system prior to the sewage getting to the lagoon. The amount of debris which is retrieved from the lagoon pumps is unbelievable. It would save wear and tear on the pumps if a grinder is put into the system. The PW crew unplugged the lagoon pump again last week finding an item which resembles a transistor radio. Other items which have been found in the plugged pumps are pants, towels, wash cloths, nylons, etc. Council agreed to consider the addition of the grinder pump, Councilman Jones will check into brands and pros/cons of the pumps.

The following claims were reviewed and approved by Council:

The following claims were reviewed and approve	ed by Council.	
2662 Reliable Office Supplies	supply	127.94
2663 Department of Environmental Services	fees	668.00
2664 Energy Laboratories	purchase service	15.00
2665 Powder River Examiner	purchase service	92.00
2666 Copps Hardware & Lumber	supply	760.07
2667 Alderman Oil Company	supply	440.39
2668 J&S Tire and Repair Inc	purchase service	302.20
2669 Larrys IGA	supply	5.59
2670 Horizon Equipment	supply	105.20
2671 Postmaster	supply	89.52
2672 Laplant Shane	wages	934.60
2673 Fruit Peggy	wages	906.94
2674 Ragsdale Raymond	wages	804.72
2675 Ferguson Walter	wages	544.26
2676 Williams Michael	wages	908.38
2677 Postmaster	supply	39.00
2678 David Day		207.79
2679 Fruit Peggy	wages	1119.10
2680 Williams Michael	wages	
	wages	1036.04
2681 Laplant Shane	wages	1056.10
2682 Ragsdale Raymond	wages	946.66
2683 Ferguson Walter	wages	210.55
2684 David Day	wages	34.63
2685 MMIA	worker comp	2086.59
2686 UI Tax Program	withholdings	204.61
2687 Department of Revenue	withholdings	326.00
2688 Rocky Mountain Bank	withholdings	2140.90
2689 Powder River County	law enforcement	2350.00
2690 WCS Telecom	utility	22.63
2691 Robert Traub	reimbursement	40.00
2692 David Day	reimbursement	40.00
2693 Harlan Jones	reimbursement	40.00
2694 Richard Sturtz	reimbursement	40.00
2695 Milton Amsden	reimbursement	118.32
2696 Rebecca McEuen	wages	148.03
2697 Tongue River Electric Cooperative	utility	2015.87
2700 Dental Network of America	insurance premium	427.60
2701 Skyview TV Inc	utility	12.00
2702 Pumps Etcetera	repair	132.50
2703 Horizon Equipment	supply	1.35
2704 Aye's Fabricating & Repair	purchase service	645.30
2705 Alderman Oil Company	supply	148.26
2706 Powder River County Treasurer	assessment	2068.40
2707 MMIA Montana	insurance premium	3606.20
2708 The Corner Store	supply	259.21
2709 Carquest Auto Parts Stores	supply	201.46
2710 D&P Auto Clinic	repair	143.00
2711 Heiman Fire Equipment Inc.	supply	433.31
2/11 Heiman Fire Equipment me.	suppry	+55.51

2712 Trumps Repair	purchase service	149.25
2713 Conference Registration MT Supreme Court training		250.00
2714 McEuen Rebecca	reimbursement	65.42
2715 Symantec	supply	61.98
2716 Energy Laboratories	purchase service	15.00
2717 Dana Kepner Co	purchase service	1326.00
2718 Rocky Mountain Bank	withholdings	2145.02
2719 Department of Revenue	withholdings	331.00
2720 Ferguson Walter	wages	55.41

With no further business, Councilman Sturtz moved to adjourn. Councilman Traub seconded the motion. Mayor Amsden adjourned this meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Peggy Fruit, Clerk Milton Amsden, Mayor

Broadus Town Council Regular Meeting December 5, 2006

Councilman Harlan Jones; Councilman Robert Traub; Councilman David Day; Guest Jim Atchison; Public Works Shane Laplant; and Clerk Peggy Fruit.

Councilman Jones called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Traub moved to approve minutes of the previous meeting as submitted by Clerk Fruit. Councilman Day seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim Atchison, Southeastern Montana Development Corporation, presented the Council with Certificate of Appreciation for their support. Thanked the Council for their continued support of SMDC.

PW Laplant reported the shed at the lagoon has been wired and all equipment is up and running. Tom Erskine, Interstate Engineering will be here Friday to review all the work that has been completed at the lagoon to become in compliance with the DEQ. Mr. Erskine is gathering pricing on grinder pump to install into sewer system prior to lagoon pumps. Grinding up some of the debris that goes into the sewer system before it gets to the pumps will hopefully save on the life of the pumps. Recently, transistor looking objects were pulled out of the pump, as well as clothing. This is hard on them and we need to change this somehow.

PW ordered pothole filler for use in the winter months. Rob Rankin was here to GPS the water storage and well sites for homeland security.

Councilman Day moved to reappoint Judge Rebecca McEuen to her position with the Town of Broadus. Councilman Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council reviewed proposed annexation of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of Block 1 of Chiesa Addition to the Town of Broadus in Powder River County, Montana submitted to public ordinance no 2006-02; and the proposed zoning of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of Block 1 of Chiesa Addition to the Town of Broadus in Powder River County, Montana to be zoned as "C" Residence zoning. Council agreed to consider the proposed ordinances and to have public hearing for the first reading on January 2, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Councilman Day will be attending the County Planning Meeting on December 14, 2006.

The following claims were reviewed and approved by Council:

2698 Mid Rivers Cellular	utility	179.48
2721 Postmaster	postage	127.32
2723 Ferguson, Walter	wages`	265.96
2724 Ragsdale, Raymond	wages	876.54
2725 Laplant, Shane	wages	1017.94
2726 Fruit, Peggy	wages	1092.94
2727 Williams, Michael	wages	990.35
2728 Aflac	insurance	376.38
2729 Internal Revenue Service	withholdings	402.31
2730 Trumps Repair	repairs	70.00

2731 Energy Laboratories	samples	400.00
2732 Industrial Systems Inc.	repair	2950.63
2733 Carquest Auto Parts	supply	232.51
2734 Gases Plus	supply	615.00
2735 Big Horn Marketing	supply	799.34
2736 Costco	computer	999.99
2737 Fruit, Peggy	wages	1051.12
2738 Williams, Michael	wages	948.53
2739 Ragsdale, Raymond	wages	876.54
2740 Laplant, Shane	wages	976.12
2741 Visa	supply	149.00
2742 Powder River County	Law Enforcement	2350.00
2743 WCS Telecom	utility	16.60
2744 Traub, Robert	reimbursement	40.00
2745 Day, David	reimbursement	40.00
2746 Jones, Harlan	reimbursement	40.00
2747 Sturtz, Richard	reimbursement	40.00
2748 Amsden, Milton	reimbursement	40.00
2749 McEuen, Rebecca	wages	148.03
2750 Tongue River Electric Cooperative	utility	1975.48
2751 Mid Rivers Cellular	utility	155.84
2752 Range Telephone	utility	234.90
2754 Skyview TV	supply	12.00
2755 Earley Electric	repair	924.86
2756 Copps Hardware & Lumber	supply	1242.22
2757 Northwest Pipe Fitting Inc	supply	189.56
2758 Valley Welders Supply Inc	supply	70.59
2759 Energy Laboratories	samples	15.00
2760 Alderman Oil Co	supply	196.70
2761 Pacific Steel & Recycling	supply	45.33
2762 The Corner Store	supply	81.78
273 Northland Automotive	supply	7.92
2764 Larry's IGA	supply	21.61
2767 Black Mountain Software	purchase service	1193.00

Clerk Fruit shared information with the Council on a grant writing workshop. The Town would have to have a project in mind and this information would be used at the workshop. The information will be considered. With no further business before the Council, Councilman Jones adjourned this meeting of the Broadus Town Council at 6.15 pm.

Peggy Fruit, Clerk	Harlan Jones, Councilman