## **April 28, 2025**

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a budget meeting on April 28, 2025, in the Lincoln County Courthouse, Libby, Montana. Present were Commission Teske, Commissioner Hammons, Commissioner Duram and Administrative Assistant Nikki Fox.

10:00 am Libby Road Department, District #1: Present was Jerry Regh

Jerry Regh presented the Libby Road Department, District #1's preliminary budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Commissioner Teske noted that last year's budget was presented and Jerry Regh would obtain the current wage and insurance budget to update the Road Department's budget. Commissioner Teske directed Jerry Regh to the Human Resource Department for the update. Jerry Regh stated he was able to bring the budget down from \$125,000 to \$115,000 due to an expected decrease in fuel demands. Jerry Regh also discussed fuel bids and noted numerous companies of which the County could solicit. Commissioner Hammons questioned what was coming out of Repairs & Maintenance, which Jerry Regh stated was mostly for damaged signs and replacements. Commissioner Duram asked if the County ever receives reimbursement for the sign replacements and Jerry Regh responded saying it rarely happens. Jerry Regh mentioned an increase of the budget due to the need for radio replacements due to the need for radio replacements. Jerry Regh answered Commissioner Hammons questions about his Fabricated Material budget, with Jerry Regh informing the Commissioners it was to chipseal Bobtail Road at a cost of approximately \$20,000 per 1.1 miles. Commissioner Duram asked about the Rent budget. Jerry Regh stated it was leases to replace failed equipment. An open discussion was had regarding equipment failures and what the future looked like. Jerry Regh suggested he may be looking for a new pickup truck soon, as his truck ha over 180,000 mile on it. Commissioner Hammons led a discussion on bridge and tunnel repair, specifically the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge and Lower Quartz. Noel questioned how the remaining 40% of this year's budget would be allocated, which Jerry Regh informed it was going to help pay for the project to pave Lakeview Drive. Commissioner Hammons opened a discussion regarding the remaining bank balance for the roads' departments. The directors are all being asked to fine tune their budgets in preparation of fund running low

10:21 am Adjourned

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS	
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	Brent Teske, Chairperson
ATTEST:	Nikki Fox, Administrative Assistant