The Claims Committee met at Terry Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. with Rolane Christofferson and Clinton Rakes reviewing claims. The following claims were submitted for payment:

1695 Clinton Rakes December 2011 Payroll 128.17
1696 Rebecca Convery December 2011 Payroll 750.00
1697 Jared Davis December 2011 Payroll 1909.32
1698 Dept. of Revenue December 2011 Payroll-State Tax 198.00
1699 EFTPS December 2011 Payroll-Tax Deposit 1324.63
1700 Josh Helmuth December 2011 Payroll 141.52
1701 MMIA December 2011 Payroll- Insurance 1796.00
1702 PERS December 2011 Payroll 1008.04
1703 Prairie County December 2011 Payroll- Deputy Insurance 449.00
1704 Stockman Bank December 2011 Payroll- Direct Deposit 3900.04
1705 Robert/Sandra Bennett Water @ Town Shop 300.00
1706 Boss Office Products Office Supplies 5.88
1707 Cardmember Service December 2011 Statement 687.00
1708 City of Glendive December Invoices- Landfill Services 2869.50
1709 City of Miles City Lagoon Samples 45.00
1710 Dan’s Welding & Repair Mounted Mud Flaps on Peterbilt 165.11
1711 Farmer’s Union Oil Co. December 2011 Statement 170.77
1712 Fireman’s Company Annual Service/Repair of Fire Ext.’s 248.00
1713 Get R Done Maintenance Supplies 30.00
1714 Industrial Towel Shop Towels 14.84
1715 Mid-Rivers December 2011 Phone 149.66
1716 Miles City Motor Supply Parts 452.62
1717 James/Sandra Miller Reimbursement for Wrong Garbage Rate 308.00
1718 MMA- Worker’s Comp Worker’s Comp 4th Qtr 2011 1124.89
1719 MDU December 2011 Statement 2783.94
1720 MT Dept. of Revenue Consumer Counsel Fee- 4th Qtr 2011 26.95
1721 Morrison-Maierle Systems Managed Online Back-up 20.00
1722 MTD Petroleum December 2011 Statement 1204.96
1723 Netzer Hardware December 2011 Statement 96.69
1724 PolyBilt Polybilt Custom Tanker- ½ Down 24648.20
1725 Prairie County Town Election Expenses 737.96
1726 Terry Tribune Advertising 65.25
1727 Tongue River Electric Power @ Landfill 41.88
1728 Town of Terry Sewer 75.00
1729 Truck Suppliers Inc. Diagnostic on Peterbilt 165.00
1730 Unemployment Ins. Div. Unemployment Ins.- 4th Qtr 2011 30.75
1731 USPS Postage Stamps 102.00
1732 Badland Truck Sales, Inc. Purchase of Ford Dump Truck 12080.00

Total $60,245.57

Receipts for the month of December 2011:

10784 Thomas Mock Dog License 5.00
10785 Robert/Lynnette Schreiber Dog Licenses (2) 20.00
10786 Glendive Coca Cola Coca Cola Commission 84.00
10787 Thomas Brown/Cheyenne Dist. Transient Merchant License 25.00
10788 Tim/Karen Richards Equipment Rent 65.00
10789 Rural Garbage Contracts Sherry Strasheim 520.00
10790 Rural Garbage Contracts Walter Dunham 298.00
10791 Prairie County Fallon Garbage Service 1645.07
10792 American Legion Club Sale of Beer & Liquor License 160.00
10793 State of Montana 4 Corners Convenience Sale of Beer & Liquor License 160.00
10794 State of Montana Fuel Allocation- Dec FY12 2512.76
10795 Prairie County Treasurer HB124 Entitlement Share- 2nd Qtr FY12 18727.82
10796 Terry Super Valu Sale of Beer & Liquor License 160.00
10797 Bonnie Higgins Rural Garbage Contract 97.50
10798 Prairie County Sewer Dist. Reimbursement for Water School/Lic. 381.92
10799 Roy Rogers Sale of Beer & Liquor License 160.00

Total $60,245.57
The Terry Town Council met in regular session at Terry Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Ronald G. Kiosse presiding. Council members present were Rolane Christofferson, Kathy Hickman, Clinton Rakes, and Fred Rambur. Also present were Town Attorney Rebecca Convery, Art Tyler (PWD), Clerk Lynn Strasheim, and Kay Braddock (Terry Tribune).

Mayor Kiosse called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Strasheim performed the Oath of Office with newly appointed council members Fred Rambur and Kathy Hickman.

Minutes from the December 13th and 27th, 2011 meetings were approved. (Rakes/Christofferson)

Claims approved per Claims Committee. (Rambur/Hickman)

Cash/Bank Reconciliation approved. (Christofferson/Rakes)

After review of the Stockman Bank Investment Fund account $768,569.10 will be the amount in the Stockman Bank Investment Fund for the month of January. (Rakes/Christofferson) Interest is deposited in the account the end of each month.

Balance as of 11/30/11—$655,394.83 Interest paid 12/30/11—$197.33 Balance as of 12/30/11—$768,569.10

Credits-$166,282.27 Debits-$53,108.00.

Public Comment- None.

Unfinished Business

The County Commissioners had requested time to discuss the current interlocal agreement for public safety; however, they were unable to attend. Town Attorney Rebecca Convery had been in contact with the commissioners and shared with the town council that they were exploring options in regards to having a sheriff’s department or a public safety commission. Convery explained that Prairie County is unique in the state in having a Public Safety Commission as most have gone to having a sheriff’s department which is overseen by the sheriff of that department. The town council discussed options, and Mayor Kiosse stated that he will attend the upcoming County Commissioners’ meeting.

The town council discussed the permit that is currently in place for use of the Cherry Creek Gravel Pit. There has been some question as to the status of the town’s permit, and Clerk Strasheim was unable to find any paperwork after the town’s submission of a permit application several years ago. Councilman Fred Rambur offered to stop in at the offices in Miles City to inquire on the status of the permit.

In regards to Town/Fire Hall, no work was completed the past month on the Fire Hall remodel. Clerk Strasheim has completed the monthly inspection of fire extinguishers.

Public Works Report-

- Art reported that the engine light is on in the Peterbilt, and the main cylinders are leaking more with the colder temperatures. He has contacted Solid Waste Systems and it may be covered by warranty. The truck will need to go to Billings. Another ground wire was installed in the PTO.
- In reference to equipment, Art and the council discussed taking the loader to Titan Machinery in Billings to get some work done when convenient.
- The town council discussed the swimming pool. Mayor Kiosse has left another message with McCall’s. Also, work on the motor has been completed and Jared was able to pick up the motor when in Billings.
• Art and the town council discussed the streets and alleys in town. They discussed putting in an alley by a new house on the south side of town. Currently garbage is being collected by the front of the house. They also discussed blading the gravel roads within town limits back to size. Prior to the blading, Clerk Strasheim will put a notice in the paper.

In reference to zoning and growth planning, Town Attorney Rebecca Convery mentioned an upcoming meeting on January 25th with the State of Montana Department of Commerce to discuss resources and issues pertaining to growth planning in the region. The council discussed who would be able to attend with Convery, council member Hickman and Mayor Kiosse stating intent to try and attend. Mayor Kiosse will also discuss the meeting with the Growth Planning Board. It was determined that Clerk Strasheim will publish notice of the meeting in the event that a quorum should attend.

The town council discussed items of surplus that they would like to sell. Mayor Kiosse will work with Clerk Strasheim to advertise said items.

Clerk Strasheim has not made progress on the 811 Locate Program, and there were no submitted building permits this month.

**New Business**

The town council elected council member Rolane Christofferson as the Town Council President. (Rakes/Rambur)

Clerk Strasheim reported that Dog Day is scheduled for February 11th, with Dr. Dyekman confirmed to provide the vaccinations. Caryn and Paula Rein will assist Clerk Strasheim, and Fireman’s Co. will be there as well.

The town council discussed the Christmas party. It was decided to plan for Friday, January 27th, as there is no basketball games scheduled for that night. The town council will also recognize former members Tom Pisk and Josh Helmuth on that night as well. Clerk Strasheim will contact Roy Rogers and make arrangements there. The town will not be hosting. Council member Hickman offered to provide a cake. Mayor Kiosse will arrange for plaques for Pisk and Helmuth.

Clerk Strasheim reported delinquent sewer accounts for January: seven (7) friendly letters, two (2) letter #2’s and three (3) letter #3’s were sent.

All other correspondence was reviewed. Clerk Strasheim had received a letter and resume from an attorney interested in the town attorney position. Clerk Strasheim will send him a letter acknowledging receipt and informing him he will be considered once position isvacated.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm. (Rakes/Hickman)

ATTEST:

Lynn Strasheim, Clerk

Ronald G Kiosse, Mayor