

# PUBLIC LIBRARY CERTIFICATION

This certifies that our library

THREE FORKS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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(library name)

qualifies as a "public library"  
formed under either Title 7 or  
MCA § 22-1-303 through 22-1-317

Attached is the legal documentation  
establishing our library under the above.

*Jud E. Jones*  
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Library Board Chairperson

*Emma H. Purkop*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Library Director

*10-20-1997*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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LIBRARY SERVICES CONTRACT

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into on the \_\_\_\_\_ 1st \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ July \_\_\_\_\_, 1997, by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Gallatin County, hereinafter referred to as "the County", and the Board of Library Trustees of the City of Three Forks Library, Bozeman, Montana, hereinafter referred to as "the Library".

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the County desires to provide library services for rural residents of Gallatin County, and the Library has existing library facilities; and,

WHEREAS, Section 22-1-315, MCA, provides that the County and the Library may enter into a contract by which the free public library of the City of Three Forks shall assume the functions of a county-free library within Gallatin County;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed as follows:

1. In return for payments to be made by the County, the Library shall make available to all rural county residents the services provided by their library at no cost to county residents;

2. The County agrees to pay the Library for library privileges for its rural residents the sum of Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Seven and no/100 Dollars

(\$23,577.00). Payment will be made in equal quarterly installments on or before October 20, 1997, December 31, 1997, March 31, 1998, and June 30, 1998.

3. The Library hereby acknowledges that this contract is contingent upon available revenue and if revenue falls short, then the County shall make adjustments in disbursements to the Library.

4. By entering into this agreement, the Library provides through Exhibit "A" attached hereto, notification to the County by the governing body of the City of Three Forks, of a request to exclude the property of the incorporated City of Three Forks, Montana, from liability for taxes under the County library mill levy;

5. The Library hereby acknowledges and holds harmless the County for the failure of the County to collect all possible tax revenue payable to the Library pursuant to this contract. The Library acknowledges the possibility of delinquent and late taxes which are beyond the control of the County. Any such delinquent and late taxes which are payable to the Library shall be credited to the account of the Library, and any such taxes recovered after the term of this agreement shall be paid to the Library;

6. The Library shall administer the Library in such a manner as to extend the same library privileges to the rural

residents of Gallatin County outside the incorporated limits of the City of Three Forks subject to this contract as are enjoyed by city residents;

7. The duration of this contract shall be for the period of July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998;

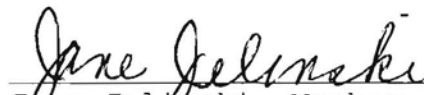
8. The terms of this contract may be altered only upon written consent of both parties hereto;

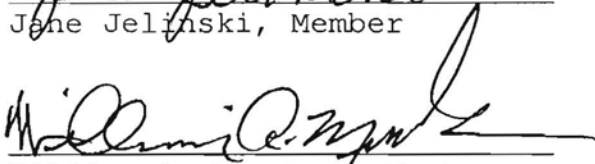
9. This contract may be terminated by either party hereto, upon six (6) months written notice of intention to do so.

DATED this 14th day of October, 1997.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF GALLATIN COUNTY

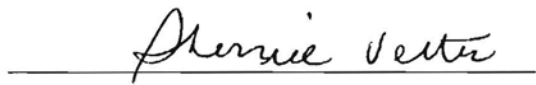
  
Phil Olson, Chairman

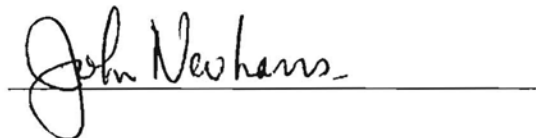
  
Jane Jelinski, Member

  
William A. Murdock, Member

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY  
OF THREE FORKS PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
THREE FORKS, MONTANA

  
Paul E. Jones, Chair

  
Dennis Vetter

  
John Newhans

ATTEST:

  
Shelley Vance, Clerk & Recorder

Date: December 3, 1997

EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM COUNTY LIBRARY TAX

TO: The Board of County Commissioners of Gallatin County

FROM: The Governing Body of the City of Three Forks,  
Gallatin County, Montana.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the City of Three Forks, Gallatin County, Montana has entered into a Library Services Contract with Gallatin County by which the Bozeman Public Library shall assume the functions of a county free library within Gallatin County. Pursuant to paragraph four (4) of that contract, the City of Three Forks, Montana, hereby requests that the property of the incorporated City be excluded from liability for taxes under the Gallatin County library mill levy.

DATED THIS 14th day of October, 1997.

BY: *Gore L. Townsend*  
City Manager, City of Three Forks, Montana