

PUBLIC LIBRARY CERTIFICATION

This certifies that our library

Conrad Public Library
(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.

Glenda McKeone

Library Board Chairperson

Dylan Dushinski

Library Director

10-23-97

Date

Louise Kingsbury
Secretary to the Board of County Com-
missioners, Pondera County, Montana.

Robert R. Emrick
Chairman of the Board of County Com-
missioners, Pondera County, Montana.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA, HELD JUNE, 1961

The Board of County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday June 5th, Tuesday June 6th and Wednesday June 7th, 1961, at ten o'clock each morning. All members were present including Chairman Robert R. Emrick, Commissioners Joe H. Preputin and James E. Sheble, Clerk Louise Kingsbury.

MINUTES READ

Minutes of the May meetings were read and approved as read.

PLAT APPROVED

A plat of an irregular tract of land was presented and approved viz:

A tract in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 23 Township 30 North Range 5 West of approximately 0.58 acres surveyed for the Emmett Ryan Post No. 36 American Legion.

PREDATORY ANIMAL BUDGET

Agent for the Fish and Wildlife Service met with the Board of County Commissioners with a request for the amount of \$2100.00 for the budget for Predatory Animal Fund for the fiscal year 1961-1962. Motion was made and seconded that this amount be allowed for this budget.

LIBRARY BOARD

Members of the Library Board met with the Board of County Commissioners as follows: John Lahr and Mrs. Dorothy Floerchinger of Conrad and Mrs. Mervin Chausse and Mrs. Constance Lohse of Valier. An examination by the Deputy State Examiner, Mr. Morris, disclosed the fact that no Petition had been submitted to the Board of County Commissioners at the time the County started participating in the expense of the Library. These members of the Library Board were so informed and they agreed to circulate the Petitions during the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

The signed Petition for establishment of a Pondera County Free Library was presented to the Board of County Commissioners. The Petition was signed by more than ten (10) per cent of the resident taxpayers on the last completed assessment roll - 1960. The Board of County Commissioners set Friday June 30th, 1961 at 2 o'clock P. M. at the Pondera County Court House, as the time and place of a meeting for hearing of its contemplated action to establish by resolution a Pondera County Free Library and ordered publication of notice of meeting to be printed in four successive weeks issues prior to the meeting.

SANITARIAN REQUEST

Mr. Sloulin from the State Board of Health met with the Board of County

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA, HELD JUNE 30, 1961

The Board of County Commissioners met in Special Session on Friday June 30th at the Court House at 10 o'clock A. M. to receive the petition circulated for a Pondera County Free Library. Members were all in attendance including Chairman Robert R. Emrick, Commissioners Joe H. Preputin and James E. Sheble, Clerk Louise Kingsbury.

Petitions were presented having signatures of the required number of qualified signers. The Chairman Robert R. Emrick signed the following resolution, after motion was made by Joe H. Preputin and seconded by James E. Sheble that this be done:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PONDERA COUNTY FREE LIBRARY AND AUTHORIZING FURNISHING OF LIBRARY SERVICE THROUGH CONTRACT WITH INCORPORATED CITY OR TOWN.

WHEREAS, a Petition for establishment of a Pondera County Free Library, signed by more than ten per cent (10%) of the resident taxpayers whose names appear upon the last completed assessment roll of Pondera County, Montana, and more than half of whom reside outside of the County Seat, was filed with the Board of County Commissioners on June 7, 1961, and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Pondera County thereupon did appoint a meeting for a public hearing on said Petition, said public meeting to be held on June 30, 1961, at 2:00 P. M. at the Pondera County Court House in Conrad, Pondera County, Montana, and

WHEREAS, for four (4) successive weeks prior to June 30, 1961, the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County, Montana, did publish in each issue of the Independent-Observer, a newspaper of general circulation in Pondera County, Montana, notice of the contemplated action to establish a Pondera County Free Library, giving in said notice the date and place of the meeting for the said public hearing, and

WHEREAS, at the date and place of said meeting on June 30, 1961, no person or persons appeared to protest the establishment of a Pondera County Free Library, and it appears that the granting of said Petition will be in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County, Montana, that there is hereby established a Pondera County Free Library.

AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County, Montana, that pursuant to the provisions of R.C.M. (1947) 44-211, instead of establishing a separate county free library, the Board of County Commissioners shall enter into a contract with the board of library trustees or other authorities in charge of a free public library of an incorporated city or town, such contract to provide that the free public library of such incorporated city or town shall assume the functions of a county free library within Pondera County, Montana, and the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County, Montana, shall agree to pay out of the county free library fund into the library fund of such incorporated city or town such sum or sums as may be agreed upon, and either party to such contract or contracts may terminate the same by giving six months' notice of intention to do so.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County, Montana, this 30th day of June, 1961.

COUNTY OF PONDERA
OFFICIAL SEAL
STATE OF MONTANA

ATTEST:

Louise Kingsbury
Clerk.

Robert R. Emrick
Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Pondera County, Montana.

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AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

AGREEMENT made this 4 day of February, 2002
between the CITY OF CONRAD, 411 ½ South Main, Conrad, Montana, an
incorporated city of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to
as CITY, and COUNTY OF PONDERA, 20 4th Avenue South West, Conrad,
Montana, a governmental entity of the State of Montana, herein
after referred to as COUNTY.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the CITY operate a free public library pursuant to
Montana Code Annotated Section 22-1-303; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY has elected to enter into a contract with
the CITY, pursuant to Montana Code Annotated Section 22-1-315, in
lieu of providing a separate county free library by duly enacted
Resolution of the County Commissioners on June 30, 1961; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and COUNTY agree that entering into a
written contract to memorialize this relationship is in the best
interest of their respective constituents;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions and
covenants hereinafter set forth and agreed to be performed by the
parties, the parties agree as follows:

1. The CITY shall assume the functions of a public library for
the County of Pondera.
2. The COUNTY shall pay out of the county library fund into the
library fund of the CITY such sum or sums as may be designated
by the County Commissioners of Pondera County each year for


support of the public library. In no event shall said mills be less than 1.46 mills, which is the number of mills that the County presently contributes to the Conrad public library fund. The CITY shall pay out of its city library fund such sum or sums as may be designated by the City Council each year for the support of the public library. In no event shall said mills be less than 7.0 mills, which is the number of mills that the CITY intends to contribute to the public library fund for fiscal year 2001-2002.

3. In addition to the foregoing, both the COUNTY and CITY agree that the public library shall continue to receive the state entitlement shares based on the fiscal year 2001-2002 distribution.
4. The CITY shall continue to be responsible for all management and operation of the public library, including but not limited to, appointment of the Board of Trustees pursuant to Montana Code Annotated Section 22-1-308.
5. The Board of Trustees appointed to operate the public library shall continue to exercise their duties and responsibilities set forth in Montana Code Annotated Section 22-1-309, independent from the direction of either the City Council or County Commissioners, except to the extent provided hereunder.
6. This agreement shall be in full force and effect from and after the 1st day of July, 2001, and shall continue from year to year unless terminated as provided herein.

7. Either party may terminate this contract upon six (6) months notice in writing to the other party sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, at its principal place of business. Said notice must be given to the other party at least six (6) months prior to the end of the fiscal year.
8. The parties herein agree to indemnify and hold harmless one another from any claim, action, liability, loss, damage or suit arising from the party's negligent or intentional conduct.
9. This agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties, their successors, agents or assigns.

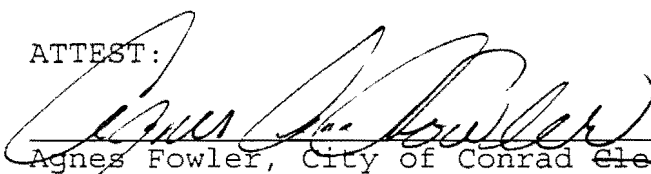
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this agreement in triplicate at Conrad, Montana, on the day and year first above written.

CITY OF CONRAD


BY: 
Byron Grubb, Mayor, City of Conrad

ATTEST:


CITY SEAL


Agnes Fowler, City of Conrad ~~Clerk~~ Finance Officer

COUNTY OF PONDERA

BY: 
County Commissioner

ATTEST:


Clerk and Recorder