

RESOLUTION 2023 - 54

A RESOLUTION SETTING THE SALARIES FOR CERTAIN ELECTED OFFICIALS

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503, MCA, establishes the manner in which the compensation for elected officials will be established; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503, MCA, requires the County to create a Compensation Board to review elected officials' salaries annually in order to set compensation for elected county officers; and

WHEREAS, the Compensation Board held informational meetings and public hearings with regard to elected officials' compensation; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503, MCA, states the Compensation Board must recommend a compensation schedule that is endorsed by a majority of the board including at least two county commissioners; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2107, MCA, requires that each County Commissioner receive a salary equivalent to the base salary provided for in 7-4-2503, plus \$2,000; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503, MCA, requires that the Sheriff/Coroner receive compensation equivalent to the base salary provided for in 7-4-2503, plus \$2,000, plus longevity in the amount of 1% of the base salary provided for in 7-4-2503 for each year of service; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503, MCA, requires that the Superintendent of Schools receive the sum of \$400 a year in addition to the compensation equivalent to the base salary provided for in 7-4-2503, and allows an increase up to \$2,000 if the Superintendent holds a Masters Degree; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2301, MCA, allows the Board of County Commissioners to consolidate two or more offices and combine the powers and duties of the consolidated offices; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2312, MCA, requires the Board of County Commissioners to set the compensation of consolidated offices not to exceed 20% of the base salary provided for in 7-4-2503; and

WHEREAS, the Commission did consolidate the offices of County Treasurer and County Clerk and Recorder through Resolution 1990-7 and did increase the salary of the consolidated office by \$2000 through Resolution 1991-76 as provided by 7-4-2312, MCA; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503, MCA, requires that the County Treasurer receive compensation equivalent to the base salary provided for in 7-4-2503, and allows an increase up to \$2,000; and

WHEREAS, 7-4-2503, MCA, requires that the Clerk and Recorder receive compensation equivalent to the base salary provided for in 7-4-2503, and allows an increase up to \$2,000 if the clerk and recorder is also the county election administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Commission did consolidate the offices of the Sheriff and Coroner through Resolution 2017-161



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission adopt the compensation schedule recommended by the Compensation Board on June 5, 2023, and attached by reference to this resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners that Lewis and Clark County is designated as a Class 1 County as allowed under state law.

Dated this 06TH day of July 2023.


BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY



Tom Rolfe, Chair

ATTEST:





Amy Reeves, Clerk of Board

Attachments: Exhibit "A"

Exhibit A

Elected Official Salaries
 Fiscal Year 2024
 June 18, 2023



Lewis and Clark County
ELECTED OFFICIAL SALARIES
 FY '24
 4.0% Effective 06/18/2023

Incumbent	Elected Official Title	FY 23 Base	06/18/23 Base	Statutory Additions	FY '24 Longevity	Total FY '24
CHANEY	Superintendent of Schools	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 400	\$ 6,500	\$ 93,590
DOWNS	County Attorney	\$ 129,541	\$ 134,723		\$ 2,000	\$ 136,723
DUTTON	Sheriff/Coroner	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 2,000	\$ 23,912	\$ 112,602
HUNTHAUSEN	Commissioner	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 2,000	\$ 10,500	\$ 99,190
PAYNE	Commissioner	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 90,690
PISKOLICH	Justice of the Peace	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 92,190
REEVES	Treasurer/Clerk & Recorder/Elections	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 96,190
ROLFE	Commissioner	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 92,190
SPARKS	Clerk of District Court	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 2,000	\$ 5,500	\$ 94,190
SWINGLEY	Justice of the Peace	\$ 83,356	\$ 86,690	\$ 2,000	\$ 8,500	\$ 97,190
					Average Elected	\$ 100,475
					Average Commissioner	\$ 94,023