

**RESOLUTION 2021 - 51**

**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 \$2000 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 9, 2021, 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 24 day of June, 2021.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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Andy Hunthausen, Chair

ATTEST:



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Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Exhibit "A"

# Exhibit A

Elected Official Salaries  
 Fiscal Year 2022  
 Effective June 20, 2021

Title	Incumbent	Current	6/20/2021	'22 Longevity	Total
Supt of Schools	Chaney	\$ 76,908	\$ 78,591	\$ 5,500	\$ 84,091
Treasurer/Clerk & Recorder/Elections	Reeves	\$ 82,508	\$ 84,191	\$ 2,000	\$ 86,191
Sheriff/Coroner	Dutton	\$ 78,508	\$ 80,191	\$ 19,518	\$ 99,709
Co Atty	Gallagher	\$ 118,899	\$ 121,515	\$ 13,500	\$ 135,015
Commissioner	Rolfe	\$ 78,508	\$ 80,191	\$ 2,000	\$ 82,191
Commissioner	Hunthausen	\$ 78,508	\$ 80,191	\$ 9,500	\$ 89,691
Commissioner	McCormick	\$ 78,508	\$ 80,191	\$ 4,500	\$ 84,691
Clerk of District Court	Sparks	\$ 78,508	\$ 80,191	\$ 4,500	\$ 84,691
Justice of the Peace	Swingley	\$ 78,508	\$ 80,191	\$ 7,500	\$ 87,691
Justice of the Peace	Piskolich	\$ 78,508	\$ 80,191	\$ 2,000	\$ 82,191
Average Elected				\$ 91,615	
Average Commissioner				\$ 85,525	