

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
July 8, 2019

Commissioner Mike Delger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners Laura Obert and Darrel Folkvord were also present.

Public comment: Cheryl Campbell requested information on the Deep Creek Grant project. Jessica Crusch was asked by Jodi Moore to remind everyone of the 7/10/19 meeting.

Nichole Brown, Planning, presented the Price family transfer COS for consideration. She stated the gifts to members of the family follow a pattern of development in the area. Cory Swanson, County Attorney, met with Tara DePuy, MACo land use attorney. They agreed a statement in paragraph 3 of the family transfer agreement is an indication to accomplish a subdivision without going through the process, and recommended to not approve the request.

Dale Price, stated his purpose is to transfer land to his family, not to sell the tracts. He requested consideration of his right to transfer property to family members, and asked for approval.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to not approve the family transfer COS. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert on the grounds of pattern of development and appearance of evasion of subdivision regulations. Motion carried.

Nichole presented the Beggins limited access easement COS for consideration. Commissioner Obert moved to support the COS exemption. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Discussion ensued about the certificate of survey review procedure and a proposed review committee, with comments from Bernadette Swenson, Cory Swanson, Nichole Brown and Commissioner Folkvord. No decision was reached.

Nichole presented projected cost for the proposed informational postcards: 1-2 hours of time for creation, \$507.14 for postage and \$640.00 for printing 3000 cards. Shirley Wilson questioned the cost of the project. Seth Wenzel and Melinda Holom also commented on a website. No decision was made.

Debbie Kelley was present for discussion on the proposed budget. She is waiting for information from some departments. PILT allocations were discussed.

Jessica Bushnell, Weed Coordinator, stated she is waiting for one more bid for weed spraying, and will submit all of them next week.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve minutes dated 7/1/2019. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Communications received: USDI notice of 2019 PILT payment of \$690,604.00; MDT approval on DUI Task Force budget and plan; notice that Lewis and Clark Public Health (LCPH) will offer WIC nutritional services in Townsend beginning August 5. Communications are filed in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Obert moved to approve the hangar lease agreement between Dylan and Jessica Lancello and the City-County Airport Board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

The Fair Board manger position will be advertised soon.

Commissioners agreed to have Harold Gibbs research and present the price of a computer for the TV District before purchasing it.

Tim McAlpine had presented a petition and letter to Commissioner Obert requesting a railroad Quiet Zone through Townsend. She sent the petition to City Council.

Commissioner Obert will be attending the NACo conference in Las Vegas 7/11 through 7/15/19. For the record, MACo will pay her expenses for the conference.

Tressia Price, Ingrid Clouse, David and Kathryn Beggins and Doug Ellis were also present.

Commissioners entered into a close door session to discuss personnel with Trust Board members.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Mike Delger, Chairman

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder