

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
July 29, 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: Bobbi Meehan asked why the special counsel item wasn't on the agenda. Cory Swanson, County Attorney, replied the Attorney General has appointed Marty Lambert, Gallatin County Attorney, to address issues that Cory cannot. She then questioned the validity of a recent closed door meeting. Cory replied at least part of it was a personnel issue, thus not public. Duane Holom asked about a speaker system. Commissioner Folkvord is working on it.

Commissioner Obert moved to approve minutes dated 7/15/19 and 7/22/19. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Communications received: DEQ notice of wastewater discharge permit in Yellowstone County; DEQ request for address verification; Water Works Digest. Communications are filed in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to pay approved claims dated 7/25/19 for \$79,204.94. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to pay approved claims dated 7/26/19 for \$211,254.41. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Brandon Harris, Undersheriff, requested \$80,000 PILT funds to purchase 2 police vehicles. There is \$20,000 in the CIP fund. Brandon stated any carry-over funds in the budget would go to the CIP fund next year. After discussion and request for a plan, Commissioner Obert moved to increase the Public Vehicle CIP to \$40,000. Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger. Brandon stated they need the \$80,000. Voting in favor – Obert; voting no- Delger and Folkvord. Motion failed. After more discussion, Commissioner Folkvord moved to increase the Public Vehicle CIP fund by \$60,000 from PILT. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert. Voting in favor – Delger and Folkvord; voting no- Obert, stating it is too large an increase without a plan. Motion carried.

Debbie Kelly, Finance, continues to work on the budget. DOR should have the new values issued by August 5.

Mary Hendrickson, Public Works, has applied for a Bureau of Investments (BOI) Inter-cap loan to cover a deficit of \$315,687.49 (today's balance), which includes the budget deficit and canister sites improvements. The loan payback will be \$22,000/year for 15 years. This is the best way to resolve the debt issue and not use PILT funds.

Mary asked for approval to purchase a 2007 dump truck for \$43,000 for Road/Bridge to replace the truck that was wrecked. Commissioner Obert moved to grant the request. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Mary asked for approval to purchase a load of culverts for Road/Bridge to be used for county projects, and to be available at cost for individuals installing or replacing culverts. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve the purchase of culverts. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to sign Task Order 20-07-6-11-005-0 between Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services and Broadwater County to provide health related services required by this task order, which covers the period of 7/2/2019 through 6/30/2020. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Broadwater County Road and Bridge Department and Teamsters Local Union #2. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve the Montana Teamsters-Contractors/employment Trust participation agreement – Road Department. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to sign the Montana Teamsters-Contractors/Employers Trust agreement for participation of non-bargaining unit employees. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Cory explained that an interdisciplinary team for child information and school safety is in place. However, SB 35, 2019 Legislature, makes it mandatory for the County Commissioners to ensure the formation of said team. Cory will present the necessary resolution for approval, and the interlocal and non-disclosure agreements. Commissioner Folkvord moved to sign the letters requesting representation on the team. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert, with a friendly amendment to change the Superintendent of Schools to School Superintendent. Motion carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to sign a letter of support for the Supplements Environment Assessment dated June 27, 2019, for the Iron Mask property.

Commissioner update: Commissioner Delger attended the Weed, Solid Waste and Townsend Health Systems (THS) Boards. THS may make a decision regarding hospital management/ownership this week.

Commissioner Folkvord attended the THS Board and a TEDD district boundary meeting with landowners.

Commissioner Obert attended the Weed, THS and Elkhorn Restoration Committee meeting, where they discussed the consolidation of Helena and Lewis and Clark National Forests.

Shirley Wilson, Cheryl Campbell, Lewis Reeves, Melinda Holom, Nita Ibara, Mike Evans, Debi Randolph, Jessica Crusch, Brandon Harris, Valerie Hornsveld, Seth Wenzel and Teresa Monson were also present.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:16 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 5, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Mike Delger, Chairman

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder