

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
October 7, 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: Kyle Hopstad announced a meeting of the Hospital Board and Townsend Health System Board on October 16 at the Community Room.
Tim Ravndal asked for clarification of closed door meetings.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve minutes dated 9/20/2019 and 10/2/2019. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to sign the termination of WIC Services Contract number 19-07-5-002-0 between Department of Public Health and Human Services and Broadwater County. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve payroll for pay date 9/30/19 in the amount of \$184,690.08. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Communication received: HAN alert re: food preparation safety; Action Print flyer; Rural Montana magazine; NATA Voice of Aviation Business information. Communications are filed in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

The regular meeting was closed and a public hearing was opened to adopt a resolution to update the Broadwater County Floodplain Hazard Management Regulations. After comments from Tim Ravndal, requesting an overview of changes, the hearing was closed.

The regular meeting was opened. Commissioner Obert moved to sign the resolution to update the floodplain regulations. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried. Jonathan Beaver, Great West Engineering, stated an appendix had been added to update the existing regulations; there were no other changes.

The Department of Revenue (DOR) has determined the Thornton property has been over-assessed for several years, and the Thorntons have requested a refund. After discussion, a decision was postponed until more information is received from the DOR.

Commissioners discussed extension of the contract with Bill Jarocki to write a document to create a County Budget Citizens Team to aid in strategic planning for budget priorities. Comments were received from Tim Ravndal, Wynn Meehan, Cory Swanson and Duane Holom. Commissioners agreed to proceed with the project and update Mr. Jarocki's contract.

Mike Evan, Mayor, presented the Law Enforcement Interlocal Agreement between Townsend and Broadwater County for approval. After discussion, a decision was postponed until next meeting, as the Commission was not provide a copy for review prior to the meeting.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve the claim which was discussed last week. Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger. Sheriff Meehan stated the claim had been paid by citizens. Voting in favor –Delger and Folkvord; voting no- Obert. Motion carried. Commissioner Obert said the \$500 for portraits would have been better spent on deputy training and safety.

Nichole Brown, Planning, presented the Lake Vista #5 Major Subdivision for preliminary plat approval. Condition #5 has been added to address a concern. Commissioner Obert moved to grant preliminary approval for said subdivision. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting in favor – Folkvord and Obert; abstain – Delger. Motion carried. Findings of fact and order are on file in the Planning Office.

Commissioner Obert moved to adopt language in #11 and #12, to be included in future findings of fact and order. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and after discussion, carried. .

Commissioners signed the Findings of fact and order for the Four Springs Estates Minor Subdivision as approved at the October 2, 2019 meeting.

Commissioners entered into a closed door meeting on a personnel issue.

In open meeting, Allison Kosto, Extension, and Valerie Hornsveld, Fair Board, were present to discuss combining the Extension administrative assistant and Fair manager positions to be one full-time position. Potential benefits and challenges were discussed, as were management and budget responsibilities. A draft job description was developed; Allison will send it out to Commissioners, Fair Board members and Mayor Mike Evans for comments and suggestions.

Commissioner Obert will be in Seattle on October 16 for a conference on the Juvenile Detention System, and will be out of the country until November 1, 2019.

Shirley Wilson, Jessica Crusch, Mary Hendrickson, Debi Randolph, Melinda Holom, Bernadette Swenson, Bill Kearns and Michelle Edmunds were also present.

The meeting was adjourned at 2: 49 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Mike Delger, Chairman

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder