

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
November 25, 2019

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

Al Christophersen presented the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Professional Services for Broadwater County for Silos Recreation Area Master Plan. After discussion, Commissioner Obert moved to proceed with advertising the RFP with a submittal deadline of December 27, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve minutes dated 11/18/19. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Communications received: Shape Up MT and Dakota Playgrounds brochures; Vigilante Electric notice of rate increase; WWD magazine; W. Fleiner restitution receipt; Great West Engineering Capital Improvements Plan Working Draft for review; DEQ violations letter (which has been corrected). Communications are on file in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Obert move to pay approved claims dated 11/21/10 for \$131,408.35. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve payroll for pay date 11/15/19 in the amount of \$197,340.91. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioners discussed options for a county website, which would have a separate page for each department. Development of the website takes 28 weeks. They will study options before making a decision.

Commissioner Obert proposed sending a State of the County message via postcard to every household. After discussion, she moved to proceed with the project. motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord, with the understanding all commissioners will be informed if it will exceed \$2,00.00. Motion carried.

Commissioners discussed cyber safety training options, via MACo and through the State. Seven computers can be upgraded to Windows 10 and the cloud; eight have to be replaced, for a projected cost of \$32,083.60. Commissioner Obert moved to use PILT funds for new computers, equipment upgrades and data backup. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

A railroad quiet zone was discussed with comments from commissioners, Shirley Wilson, Hugh Van Swearingen, Nancy Marks and Brandon Harris. Commissioners agreed to form a Citizens' Committee and pursue a study with Montana Department of Transportation.

Commissioner update: Commissioner Folkvord reviewed applicant for Extension and Captain/Sheriff's office; met with BOR at Canyon Ferry; attended MBAC board meeting, Mosquito District expansion meeting, Board of Health, Deep Creek project close-out and Fair Board.

Commissioner Obert attended most of the above, excluding MBAC, Deep Creek and Hospital District meetings, and testified for the Board of Crime Control at a legislative committee hearing. Commissioner Delger attended the Hospital District Board meeting, where they discussed the Brownfields reclamation project.

Commissioner Obert moved to proceed with plans for the County Annex as discussed during a walk-through last week. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Tim Ravndal, Richard Tramp, G. B. Carson, Dan Gallagher, Nichole Brown, Allison Kosto and Mike Myers were also present.

Commissioners held a working meeting for the Silos Recreation Area at the Silos Store.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

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Mike Delger, Chairman

Attest:

Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder