

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
January 6, 2020

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

Public comment is the opinion of citizens and does not necessarily reflect accurately on Broadwater County actions, operations, policy, practice or processes.

Public comment: Commissioner Delger read an email from Cheryl Campbell, requesting that Commissioner Obert not be nominated or elected Chairman.
Shirley Wilson asked if there are regulations on properties outside of subdivisions.
Wynn Meehan, Sheriff, stated he is working on disposing unused weapons, and has received a MOU from the state to update dispatch consoles.

Bernadette Swenson, Schaubert Surveying, presented the Ragen boundary relocation for consideration. Commissioner Obert moved to support the COS exemption. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to elect Commissioner Obert as Presiding Officer. After discussion and comments from Tim Ravndal, Wynn Meehan and all commissioners, motion was seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to elect Commissioner Folkvord as Vice Chair. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to adopt the Public Process Policy. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to adopt the Commissioner Meeting Agenda and Open Meeting Policy. Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger and carried.

The meeting was closed and a public hearing was opened to adopt resolutions to establish regular Commission meeting dates, to establish hours of operation for county offices and to establish mileage, lodging and per diem rates for business travel. Tim Ravndal offered comments. The hearing was closed, and the meeting opened.

Commissioner Delger moved to adopt the resolution to establish regular Commission meeting dates. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to adopt the resolution to establish hours of operation for county offices. Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to adopt the resolution to establish mileage, lodging and per diem rates for business travel. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

The meeting was closed and a public hearing was opened to adopt a resolution establishing the Wheatland Water and Sewer District for certain properties and to certify appointment of Board of Directors for said district. Comment from Tim Ravndal. The hearing was closed and the meeting opened.

Commissioner Delger moved to adopt the resolution establishing the Wheatland Water and Sewer District for certain properties, and to postpone appointment of Board of Directors for said district pending certification of signatures on the petition. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Bids for the Silos Master Plan were received from Robert Peccia & Associates, Sanderson Stewart and DHM Designs. Plans will be reviewed by a committee before making a decision. Commissioners agreed said committee would include Recreation Board, Silos Citizens Advisory Committee and Bureau of Reclamation members plus Commissioners, and Commissioner Obert would organize the committee meeting.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to pay utility bills for the County Annex from PILT until office areas are allocated. Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger and carried.

Commissioner Obert read her statement of disclosure verifying there is no conflict of interest with her volunteering for the community and serving on regional and state boards..

Commissioner Folkvord moved to sign a letter to support Montana Business Assistance Connection (MBAC) in their recertification as a regional economic development agency that supports the counties of Broadwater, Lewis and Clark and Meagher, which includes their designation as a Certified Regional Development Corporation (CRDC) and as a designated Economic Development District (EDD). Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger. Voting in favor - Delger and Folkvord; recused – Obert. Motion carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to sign a letter of support for Bob and Gay Ann Masolo and their grant request to the Montana State Historic Preservation Office for funds to complete the restoration of the Placer Schoolhouse near Winston. Comment from Tim Ravndal. Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve minutes dated 12/20/19. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Debi Randolph and Al Christophersen were also present.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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Laura Obert, Chairman

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder