

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
May 11, 2020

Commissioner Laura Obert called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., Commissioner Mike Delger 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: Alan Wright commented on the growth policy. Craig Burns asked how to open the economy without kids back in school, solid waste fees, dog problems. Bobbi Meehan asked about a PSA for the election. Debra Brown asked about a petition that had been presented for a street light for Winston.

The meeting was closed and a public hearing was opened to adopt the Broadwater County Growth Policy. The document has been on line and in the Clerk and Recorder's office since February. Comments were made by Alan Wright, Tim Ravndal, Nichole Brown and Debi Randolph. The hearing was closed and the regular meeting reopened.

Commissioner Obert read the resolution for the record. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approved the resolution to adopt the Broadwater County 2020 Growth Policy. Motion seconded by Commissioner Delger and carried.

Commissioner Obert read the Capital Improvement Plan document. The meeting was closed and a public hearing was opened to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan. Comment by Tim Ravndal. The hearing was closed and the regular meeting reopened.

Commissioners agreed to postpone discussion of the resolution until next week, and post the revised resolution on the web site.

Commissioner Obert read letters from the Solid Waste staff and Peter Reiss, supporting the improvements Mary Hendrickson implemented in the Solid Waste program. And her management of staff.

Communications received: request for FAA approval to agreement for transfer of entitlements from Townsend Airport to Chouteau County's Fort Benton Airport; receipt for April rent from Family Medical Clinic; DPHHS request for designation of earmarked alcohol tax money; MBAC reports for first quarter ending March 31, 2020. Communications are on file in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve payroll for pay date 4/30/20 in the amount of \$181,082.72. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Doug Ellis, Treasurer, and Debbie Kelley, Accounting, were present to discuss concerns about departments making automation payments, which do not go through the claims process, and the

Treasurer has no way of knowing which department and who the payment goes to. Doug will talk to the bank about a warrant account. Departments need to let Doug know which charges are being paid without a warrant. These must be approved by the Commission.

Commissioner Obert read emails from Ross Johnson, recommending approval of the growth plan, and from Jamie Olsen, asking for speed limit on Diamond Gulch Road,

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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Laura Obert, Chair

Attest:

Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder