

COMMISSIONER MEETING
416 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
December 21, 2020

Commissioner Darrel Folkvord called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., Commissioner Mike Delger was also present. Commissioner Laura Obert attended via phone.

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 Obert stated “It has been an honor to serve the citizens of Broadwater County for the past 12 years and almost 2 months. During that time, we’ve completed good work. I am thankful for the tremendous efforts and professionalism of our county staff over the years. I know you’ll continue to work hard and do great things for the people of this great community. So, from the bottom of my heart. Thank you.”

Communications received: Receipts for rent from Family Medical Clinic for rent, and from William Fleiner for restitution; Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) acknowledgment of letter transmitting the Owners Dam Safety Program (ODSP) revision for the Broadwater Project, FERC No. 2853; Rural Montana magazine; MDOT notice of scheduled improvements to Hwy 287 between Silos and Townsend. Communications are on file in the Commissioner’s office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Delger moved to pay approved claims dated 12/16/20 for \$140,216.49. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve payroll for pay date 12/15/20 in the amount of \$199,179.18; to approve minutes dated 11/30/20 and 12/07/20; and to sign the DEQ Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal Vendor Invoice to receive Grant funds of \$14,690.20. Motions seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

The meeting was closed, and a public hearing was opened to adopt a resolution authorizing final budget amendments. Debbie Kelley, Finance, described the necessary amendments. Comment from Cheryl Campbell via internet. The hearing was closed and the regular meeting reopened.

Commissioner Delger moved to adopt the resolution authorizing final budget amendments for FY 2020. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Debbie explained the necessity for a resolution establishing Fund 2990 for CARES Act revenue transactions. Commissioner Delger moved to adopt the resolution to establish said fund. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Nichole Brown, Planning, presented a COS from Crow Creek Valley Hay & Cattle Company to create an ag tract and describe a divorced tract. Commissioner Delger moved to support the COS exemption. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve the expenditure of \$80,000.00 for digital archiving of county records by Meadowlark Search upon presentation and acceptance of an approved contract. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes- Delger and Folkvord; voting no – Obert, because the expenditure should be approved after the contract is developed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to sign the attorney/client contract with Steve Wade to develop the Silos Recreation Area Contract. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Silos Area Manager RFQ packets were received from Gallatin Canyon Campgrounds and Debbie Blagg/Sharon Walker. The selection committee will review the proposals.

Commissioner Obert announced the signs to the Silos Project have been erected.

A working meeting of the selection committee to review the Silos Area Manager RFQ proposals was attended by Commissioners, Engineer Jerry Grbenc, Nichole Brown, Josh Obert, Mike Myers and Al Christophersen.

Bernadette Swenson, Debi Randolph, Tim Ravndal and Helen Coleman were also present.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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Darrel Folkvord, Chair

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder