

COMMISSIONER MEETING
416 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
September 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: None.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve minutes dated 9/08/20. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes - Delger and Folkvord; voting present – Obert. Motion carried.

Communications received: Family Medical Clinic rent - \$1,200.00; horse rescue restitution - \$45,824.08. Communications are on file in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Delger moved to pay approved claims dated 9/10/20 for \$54,812.62, claims dated 9/16/20 for \$76,042.28, and claims dated 9/18/20 for \$67,307.36. Motions seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes – Delger and Folkvord, not voting – Obert. Motion carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve payroll for pay date 8/31/20 in the amount of \$179,344.11, and to approve payroll for pay date 9/15/20 in the amount of \$227,193.55. Motions seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Nichol Brown, Community Development, presented two applicants for Board of Health positions – Tim Pool and J. J. Conner. After discussion among commissioners, no decision was reached.

Nichole presented the Lake Vista Lot 5 Major Subdivision for final plat approval. The weed plan needs a signature. Commissioners were concerned about the safety of the road as constructed. No decision was made.

Josh Obert, Public Works, requested the removal of the \$5.00 large household fee, as many items are left outside the canisters when the sites are closed to avoid payment, and the paperwork required negates any financial benefit. Commissioner Delger moved to removed the \$5.00 fee for large household items. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Mike Myers, Deputy DES, presented the obligating documents for award of Homeland Security grants of \$165,000.00 for an emergency generator system, and \$42,900.00 for courthouse security enhancement. Commissioner Delger moved to sign said documents. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Darrel Johnson, representing Winston Mine Co. and Rockhead Consulting, told of the plans of the company and outlined alleged problems with some of the neighbors, including some claims of serious safety issues.

Commissioner Delger moved to sign the FY2021 Extension Services Agreement between Montana State University Extension and Broadwater County for funding and operation of Extension, including agent salary. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to sign the contract with Black Mountain for ACH software to streamline the claims process. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve the transfer of \$250,000.00 from First Premier Bank to the Trust Board fund, as requested. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

The handicap chair lift at the Silos needs repair. Parts will come to \$803.85. Al Christophersen stated it has been down all season. Discussion ensued as to which entity or entities should be responsible – Broadwater County Silos Fund, JSJ and/or Gallatin Walleyes. Commissioner Delger moved to contact Gallatin Walleyes and JSJ about the cost. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve the airport lease agreement between Charles Carver and the Townsend City-County Airport. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioners Delger and Folkvord reiterated the importance of everyone completing the census.

Ross Johnson, Cheryl Campbell, Bernadette Swenson, David Whitley, Mrs. Darrel Johnson, Tim Pool, Cory Swanson, Allison Kosto and Leona Holman were also present.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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Darrel Folkvord, Chair

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder