

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
May 26, 2020

Commissioner Darrel Folkvord called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., Commissioner Mike Delger was 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 suggested the county do only essential business next fiscal year.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve minutes dated 5/18/20. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to pay approved claims for \$127,346.34. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Communications received: request from Craig Burns for records relating to law enforcement interactions with dogs in last 10 years; G. B. Carson request if any steps have been taken for a quiet train crossing; receipt for rent from Family Medical Clinic; several periodicals. Communications are on file in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Folkvord expressed thoughts about Memorial Day, which is designated to honor and mourn the departed, his concern for the direction our county is going, and we are blessed to live in the USA.

The meeting was closed and a public hearing opened to consider the proposal and submission for a Montana Historic Preservation Grant (MHPG) to restore the Placer School building. Chere Jiusto, Montana Preservation Alliance, gave a presentation on the work already done, and the work still to be accomplished. Tim Ravndal asked the amount of the grant request- \$59,650.00, and if there is public access to the school. Gay Ann Masolo stated access has never been denied. Commissioner Folkvord asked if this grant will complete the project. The answer was yes. Gay Ann and Bob Masolo, owners of the Masolo Ranch, plan to hold workshops and other events at the school when the project is completed. The hearing was closed, and the meeting opened.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve the grant proposal. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Tracie Kiesel, Broadwater County DUI Task Force, presented the meeting calendar, membership list, budget and task force plan for FYT 2012 for approval. The Task Force is funded by State reinstatement fees – no county tax funds are used. Cory Swanson and Wynn Meehan spoke in favor. Commissioner Delger moved to approve the Task Force package as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve the Mental Health Local Advisory Council bylaws and membership requirement. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried. It was suggested a Council chair be elected. Nichole will attend the next meeting and get a list of members.

Cory Swanson, County Attorney, presented a letter to petitioner re: petition to open Red Hill and Lefler Roads, declining to grant said petition. Commissioner Delger moved to sign the letter. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Comment from Tim Ravndal. Motion carried.

Cory presented a letter to Joe Schmaus, declining his request to open Red Hill Road even if he should obtain right of way across public lands. Commissioner Delger moved to sign said letter, and send it to Mr. Schmaus and District Court. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Comment from Tim Ravndal. Motion carried.

Steve McCullough, Trust Board, submitted an invoice for the cashless kiosk at the Silos Recreation Area, for collection of fees. The \$9,500 request includes funds for signage, tags and envelopes. The plan is to start collecting increased camp fees on June 1, and boat launch fees about June 15. Commissioner Delger moved to approve said purchases, to collect launch fees starting June 15, and to increase camp fees to \$12.00 starting June 1. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Comments from Cheryl Campbell, and Al Christopherson. Motion carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to reaffirm the Airport lease for Al Irving. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 26, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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Darrel Folkvord, Vice Chair

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder