

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
September 8, 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 8/31/20. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes - Delger and Folkvord; voting present – Obert. Motion carried.

Commissioner Folkvord stated the importance of completing the census, including federal funding and legislative district boundaries.

Communications received: MDT notice of 2020-2024 Final Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), receipt of \$49,700.00 Intercap loan for dumpsite canisters. Communications are on file in the Commissioners' office as deemed necessary and are available for review.

Commissioner Delger moved to pay approved claims dated 9/4/2020 for \$11,234.51. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes- Delger and Folkvord' voting present – Obert. motion carried.

Nichole Brown, Planner, presented the Silos Lakeview Estates Minor Subdivision for preliminary approval. Todd Kuxhaus, agent, addressed concerns presented. Commissioner Delger moved to grant preliminary plat approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes- Delger and Folkvord' voting present – Obert. motion carried. Finding of facts and order are on file in the Planning office.

Nichole presented the Nelson family transfer COS for review. Commissioner Delger moved to support the COS exemption. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes - Delger and Folkvord; voting present – Obert. Motion carried.

Dr, Nick Campbell and Charles Petaja, attorney, were present to discuss an extension of the commercial lease agreement for the Medical Clinic building. Condition of the building and taxes due are issues. Cory Swanson, County Attorney, will work with the Treasurer and Department of Revenue to resolve the tax issue. After much discussion, Commissioner Delger moved to extend the lease for six months, with an increase to cover taxes to June, 2021. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert. Comments from Shirley Wilson and Mr. Petaja. Motion carried.

Commissioner Folkvord presented a quote of \$350.00 from Kelly Morris to take photos of county employees for use on the county web site. A lively discussion ensued, with Commissioner Obert suggesting alternatives to paying for professional photos. The issue was the lack of a public process. Commissioner Delger moved to hire Kelly Morris to take the photos. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes- Delger and Folkvord; voting no – Obert. Motion carried.

Commissioner Delger moved to approve and sign the Montana Department of Commerce Community Developments Block Grant Program Contract Amendment #MT-COBG-PL-17-03B to allow the remaining \$11,000 to be used to update the county subdivision regulations. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord. Voting yes - Delger and Folkvord; voting present – Obert. Motion carried.

Commissioner Delger reiterated the importance of everyone completing the census.

Ross Johnson, Debi Randolph, Bernadette Swenson, Douglas Smith, Joe Nelson and Leona Holman were also present.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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Darrel Folkvord, Chair

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder