

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
October 13, 2021

Chairman, Mike Delger, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners, Darrel Folkvord and Debi Randolph were present. Also present, was Deputy County Attorney, Jania Hatfield.

Public comment is the opinion of citizens and does not necessarily reflect accurately on Broadwater County actions, operations, policy, practice or processes.

Public comment: Ed Shindoll appeared to request authorization to change the burning restriction. Commissioners agreed that, as the Fire Warden, Ed Shindoll is able to change the burning restriction. Ed Shindoll also requested to be able to utilize the microphones for public audio, for those attending the meetings. Commissioners agreed to speak with Ken Brug to assist with this matter.

Planning and Development Director, Nichole Brown, demonstrated the affidavit and COS for the Bruce Ag Tract. Bernadette Swenson was present to represent the owners of this property. Commissioners agreed to table this topic at this time, until matters are clear with the Agricultural restriction.

Planning and Development Director, Nichole Brown, demonstrated the affidavit and COS for the Ketchum Boundary Relocation. It was stated that the owners intend to keep the driveway approach, as well as the seasonal stream. Nichole Brown did advise that Mr. Ketchum was available via phone, if needed. Commissioner Randolph made a motion to approve of the Ketchum Boundary Relocation. Commissioner Folkvord seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Planning and Development Director, Nichole Brown, demonstrated the affidavit and COS for the Flynn Boundary Relocation. This involved relocation of the boundary between Tract B and Tract C, allowing a family member to build a home. Commissioner Folkvord made a motion to approve the Flynn Boundary Relocation. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman, Mike Delger, introduced the Federal Assistance SF 424 Grant for \$32,000.00. Commissioner Folkvord explained this application as a grant opportunity for the Townsend airport, submitted to the county by the FAA. This grant can be utilized for any type of Covid expenses, or other normal airport services, or even dept service payments. Commissioner Folkvord suggested the application be signed, to allow the county to move forward with this grant. Commissioner Folkvord made a motion to approve signing the Federal Assistance SF 424 Grant application for \$32,000.00. Commissioner Randolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman, Mike Delger, introduced the State Homeland Security Program Grant for Fiscal Year 2021 Award letter. This is an award for the Department of Emergency Services for Broadwater County Search and Rescue radio projects, has been approved in the amount of \$114,356.97. It


was explained that Broadwater County was not required to match this amount with any amount of non-federal funds. Mike, with Broadwater County Search and Rescue, explained that this will allow interoperable communications between multiple systems, and offers many other features. Training will be available for all folks involved. Commissioner Randolph made a motion to approve the State Homeland Security Program Grant for Fiscal year 2021 Award letter. Commissioner Folkvord seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman, Mike Delger, shared the mail received, which included two payments from Doctor Campbell, for the medical building, as well as payroll claims in amount of \$206,582.91. Commissioner Folkvord made a motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$206,582.91. Commissioner Randolph seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Chairman, Mike Delger, shared the approved claims in the amount of \$148,701.30. Commissioner Randolph made a motion to approve claims in the amount of \$148,701.30. Commissioner Folkvord seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The final piece of mail shared was the Rural Montana magazine, to be located at the Commissioner's office.

Commissioner Delger stated the county did approve a solid waste loan. After speaking with the auditors at the MACO conference, Commissioner Delger suggested utilizing the more non-restrictive funds and reinvest the return hospital funds.

With no further discussion, Chairman, Mike Delger adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM.


Mike Delger, Chair


Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder