

COMMISSIONER MEETING
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
November 4, 2019

Commissioner Mike Delger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners Laura Obert and Darrel Folkvord were also present.

Public comment: Shirley Wilson asked who is responsible for the stop sign at Clopton Lane and US 12 East, which has been knocked down. She read a letter with questions about the March 2019 publication mailed to citizens.

Bobbi Meehan asked why payroll reported on 10/28/19 was higher than that reported on 10/7/19.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve minutes dated 10/28/19. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to approve payroll for pay date 10/31/19 in the amount of \$190,664.80. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to pay approved claims dated 10.30/19 for \$75,995.51. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Commissioner Obert moved to approve and sign the MACo 2019/2020 Inmate Excess Medical Insurance Program Renewal. Motion seconded by Commissioner Folkvord and carried.

Communications received: receipt for Bill Fleiner restitution of \$839.09: Montana Business Connection (MBAC) quarterly report. Communications are filed in the Commissioner's office as deemed necessary and area available for review.

Nichole Brown, Planning, presented the Schrock Family Transfer COS for consideration. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve the COS exemption with comment – he is concerned about lack of access for emergency services. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Nichole and Mary Hendrickson, Public Works, presented the petition for a 35 mph speed limit on Rolling Glen Ranch Road. After discussion, Commissioners will follow due process and set a date for a public hearing.

Cory Swanson, County Attorney, presented evidence that some roads in the county presently considered Forest Service roads should be county roads. Comments were received from District Forest Ranger Mike Welker, Jeanne Holmgren, Joe Cohenhour, Adam Grove and Tim Ravndal. Commissioners will set a date for a public hearing.

Jessica Bushnell, Weed Coordinator, presented the Broadwater County Elkhorn Region Cheatgrass Management Area designation for approval. The area is about 500 acres, and it is a five-year project. This designation will allow the Weed Board to apply for a Noxious Weed Trust Fund grant. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approved said area designation. Motion seconded by Commissioner Obert and carried.

Brad Campbell introduced Randy Anderson, who is the interim CEO for Billings Clinic. Hugh Van Swearingen said there are many documents to be signed for the transaction. Cory Swanson stated Billings Clinic attorneys are still examining documents. A meeting will be scheduled and posted for Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. to sign documents to finalize the sale.

Commissioners discussed the contract for the Silos Recreation Area. Commissioner Delger will arrange a meeting with Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) and Sharon Walker, with the understanding the current contract needs changes.

Cheryl Campbell, Debi Randolph, Bill Upthegrove, Bill Kearns, Bob Saxby, Jessica Crusch, Jenny Clowes, Victor Sample, Nancy Marks, Missy Cox, John Ingalls, Dawn Langlinais, Tom Weyant, Mike Myers and Mike Koehnke were also present.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:44 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Mike Delger, Chairman

Attest:
Ann Rauser, Deputy Clerk and Recorder