

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BROADWATER COUNTY, STATE OF MONTANA
LOCATION: 416 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
DATE: September 6, 2023

Commissioner Debi Randolph called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Commissioners Darrel Folkvord and Lindsey Richtmyer were also present.

Public Comment: JB Howick commented. Mickie Imberi commented.

10:13 AM Broadwater County Finance Officer Debbie Kelley presented an Amendment to Budget Resolution 2023-14, due to certified values from Department of Revenue. Resolution 2023-14 was read into the record. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve Resolution 2023-14 A Resolution Adopting the Final Operating Budget and Setting Appropriation Authority for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023, and Ending June 30, 2024. Commissioner Richtmyer seconded and carried.

10:25 AM Townsend Public School Superintendent Susie Hedalen presented FY 2023-2024 Annual School District Budget Report and 2022-2023 Trustee Report. She discussed the school's funding and various grants, partnerships, and services. The A&B is the amount per student received by the school. It takes a year before the school is funded for those numbers. The school district has been using the three-year average for the high school as the enrollment has slightly declined. There is a lot of growth in the elementary so the actual average is used. The K-8 is considered one and the high school is considered another. Actual current numbers are 539 in K-8 and 195 in the high school. For example, in 2019 it was 473 in K-8 and 232 in high school. There are 35 homeless students in the system right now. The school is operating on a tight budget. Also, the school increased salaries for teachers. The school has title funds (federal allocation funds); most of these funds go directly toward salaries to support student learning. This money is also set aside for family engagement and homeless students. Townsend School Board Trustee Jason Noyes commented regarding active construction. Superintendent Hedalen commented. Commissioner Richtmyer commented. Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve Budget Report FY 2024 04 Broadwater 0055 Townsend K-12 Schools, Trustees' Financial Summary FY 2022-23 04 Broadwater County 0055 Townsend K-12 Schools. Commissioner Folkvord seconded. JB Howick commented. Mickie Imberi commented. Motion carried.

10:47 AM Deputy County Attorney Jania Hatfield presented Ascent Auction Services Contract.

Commissioner Folkvord commented regarding the family medical practice building. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve Ascent Auction Services Contract with changes in section 6.3 stating each party is to pay for their own attorney's fees and costs and in section 7 to add in special provisions building cannot be sold for less than 90% of appraised value. Commissioner Richtmyer seconded. Mickie Imberi commented. Motion carried.

10:52 AM Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve Resolution 2023-15 Establishing a Process for Acquisition, Sale, Transfer, Lease, and Management of County Real Property with edits as stated for #5. Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried.

****AGENDA ITEMS CONCERNING ROLLING GLEN HAVE BEEN POSTPONED****

Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve claims in the amount of \$26,178.55. Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve payroll claims in the amount of \$261,986.39. Commissioner Richtmyer seconded and carried.

Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve claims in the amount of \$36,690.08. Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried.

Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve the August 16, 2023, Minutes. Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried.

Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve the August 23, 2023, Minutes. Commissioner Richtmyer seconded and carried.

Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve the August 30, 2023, Minutes. Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried.

Thursday, September 7, 2023

10:00 AM Weekly Working Meeting with Deputy County Attorney Jania Hatfield, in the Commission Office regarding projects and deadlines

11:00 AM Working Meeting, Stahley Engineering for design updates and status of Old Town Bridges.

Communications Received: Amendment to Budget Resolution 2023-14, Budget Report FY 2024 04 Broadwater 0055 Townsend K-12 Schools, Trustees' Financial Summary FY 2022-23 04 Broadwater County 0055 Townsend K-12 Schools, Ascent Auction Services Contract, Resolution 2023-15 Establishing a Process for Acquisition, Sale, Transfer, Lease, and Management of County Real Property,

Present at the meeting were: Nancy Marks with MT43News, JB Howick, Townsend School District No. 1 School Board Trustee Jason Noyes, Broadwater County Treasurer/County Superintendent of Schools Melissa Franks, and Mickie Imberi.

The meeting adjourned at 11:06 AM. The next regular Commissioner Meeting will be held September 13, 2023, at 10:00 AM.



Attest:
ANGIE PAULSEN
Clerk and Recorder


DEBRA RANDOLPH
Commissioner Chairwoman