

ATTEST:


JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

October 25, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Member Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Commissioner Sager attended the Western Montana Mental Health Board meeting in the morning.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

The Commissioners renewed the Inmate Excess Medical Insurance (CRS) for next year at the same rate per inmate as this year.

Powell County agrees to join in with the National Forest Counties and Schools (of which we are a member) in urging Congress to retroactively fund the Secure Rural Schools & Community Self Determination Act.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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November 6, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., and Doug Crachy.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Sandy Porter reported on the progress of the Blue Ribbon pavilion. All of the materials are on site, but he does not want to cut a hole in the roof for installation in the winter. The Board suggested

that he see if everything under the roof could be installed and if there is a break in the weather could install those parts going through the roof. The Commissioners also authorized him to add a dedicated breaker panel for the kitchen's electrical services.

The Commissioners received a thank you from the Deer Lodge Food Pantry for the donation of \$183.96 from the Powell County Elected Officials.

The Commissioners received notification that the Reclamation and Development Grant Program application has been approved for \$12,900.

The Commissioners received notification that the State Department of Revenue will terminate its lease for office space at the Powell County Court House on December 31, 2017.

Kelly Cutler and Rex Kendall representing Rising Star Academy visited with the Board about plans to expand the program for 5 to 14 year old students. They also plan to expand to 30 to 40 adult students for three month semesters in the winter months. The Commissioners encouraged them to continue to develop their plan.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of November, 2017, warrant # 59528 - # 59604 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

The Commissioners discussed an agreement for the Parks Trail to cross Chilcott property with the County Planner, Carl Hamming, and the County Attorney, Lewis Smith.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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November 7, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., and Doug Crachy.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Michelle Edmunds Powell County Human Resources Consultant from Personnel Plus was in to discuss time and content for Supervisor Training. The training will be held November 19 or 20 in the afternoon.

Kathy Bair was in to ask for support in her attempt to obtain a planning grant.

Representatives from Grant Kohrs, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Environmental Protection Agency and the Natural Resource Damage Program met with the Commissioners, County Planner, County Attorney and Deputy County Attorney to discuss maintenance of County Roads that DEQ will use when working at Grant Kohrs site. School bus routes, weed control, time frame, and contractors were also discussed. Representatives present were Ben Quinones, Joel Chavez, Jeffery Johnson, Autumn Coleman, Karen Ogden, Sara Sparks, Doug Martin, and Tom Mostad.

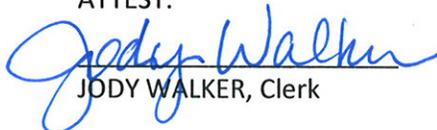
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November 8, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., and Doug Crachy. Commissioner Sager was called out of town for a family emergency.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Gino Maraccini and his father came in to discuss the property taxes on their homes in the county. The Board examined the State appraisal of the property and presented taxable value to the county and if they felt a mistake had been made they would need to go to the Tax Appeal Board.

Rex Kendall, from Rising Star Academy brought in additional information to the Commissioners.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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November 20, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., and Doug Crachy.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Fred Kuchinski, Maintenance, reported on maintenance problems which had occurred last week and over the weekend.

Sheriff Howard visited with the Commissioners.

Election Administrator, Jody Walker, was in with Canvass results from the Municipal Election.

Municipal Election 2017 Results

Mayor:	Z. Cozby	577 votes (74.5%)
	Walters	179 votes (23%)
		no votes 19 (2.5%)
Ward 1:	M. Hathaway	118 votes (79%)
		no votes 32 (21%)
Ward 2:	R. Kersch	168 votes (78%)
		no votes 48 (22%)
Ward 3:	T. Jennings	197 votes (88%)
		no votes 27 (12%)
Ward 4:	Kyler Noel	131 votes (70%)
		no votes 54 (29%)

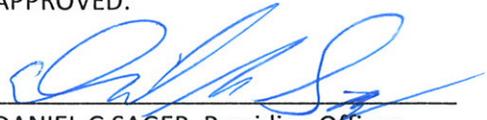
Ballots mailed out 1,565
Ballots counted 775= 50%

Gary Chilcott, County Planner Carl Hamming and County Attorney Lewis Smith met with the Commissioners to go over Perpetual Easement Agreement with Powell County and Arrowstone Park Board for trail across his property.

County Planner Hamming presented a Task Order Amendment #1 for Task Order #7 for Round House Environmental Assessment for the Commissioner's approval. Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Crachy seconded the motion to accept the order. Motion Carried.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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November 21, 2017

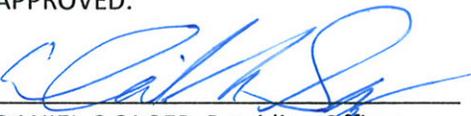
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Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Sandy Porter informed the Commissioners of the progress at the Blue Ribbon pavilion. The exhaust fan for the dishwasher and the garbage disposal were delivered and will be installed soon. Steve Lunceford will add second panel for phase 3 circuits. The only thing left will be installation of the main range hood which must be placed on the roof, therefore waiting for good weather to open the roof.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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November 22, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., and Doug Crachy.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of November, 2017, warrant # 59605 - # 59703 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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November 27, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., and Doug Crachy.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Sandy Porter and Ruth Kohler were in to discuss progress at the Blue Ribbon Pavilion.

County Planner, Carl Hamming, presented the Commissioners with the contract for the Department of Natural Resource & Conservation (DNRC) Grant #RITP-18-0134 in the amount of \$12,912.00 for the Milwaukee round House CECRA Facility Environmental Assessment MRA portion, 50% match. Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Crachy seconded the motion to approve. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Crachy seconded the signing of the amended Perpetual Easement Agreement for the Arrowstone Park Trail. Motion carried.

Bill Huston representing Big Sky Gas presented a proposal to supply natural gas to Powell County property owned by the County. Commissioner Crachy moved and Commissioner Mannix seconded the motion to sign the 14 month contract with Big Sky Gas for \$.2918/therm. Commissioners will reevaluate at the end of the contract. Motion carried.

A delegation of land owners, Rocky Mountain Stock Growers Association, and Timber management met with the Commissioners to discuss Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP) purchase of State Department of Natural Resource & Conservation (DNRC) land on Spotted Dog Wildlife Management Area. The Commissioners stated they have already verbally rejected the sale and are in the process of composing a letter to send to the Land Board, FWP and DNRC opposing the sale. The Board suggested that each group also send a letter representing their members. In attendance was Sherman Anderson, Louis F. Smith, Joe Dippold, Matt Graveley, Dan McQueary, Brian Quigley, County Attorney Lewis smith, and Pat Hanson.

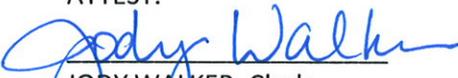
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November 28, 2017

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., and Doug Crachy.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

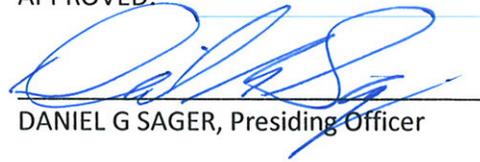
Rachel Feigley, District Ranger for Seeley District reported on post fire work on Rice Ridge, about 100,000 acres in Lolo Forest and 65,000 acres in wilderness. Log decks generated from fire lines have been sold and are being processed. Evaluation and assessments are being done to prepare for salvage sales.

Bob Toole was in to discuss Arrowstone Park Trail and sale of Department of Natural Resource & Conservation (DNRC) ground to Fish Wildlife & Parks (FWP). The Commissioners informed him that they were not in favor of the transaction and are lobbying against it.

The drawing of salary warrants #22008 - #22039 for Officers, Deputies, Foremen, Clerks and Appointees from various accounts for the month of November, 2017, were approved and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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November 29, 2017

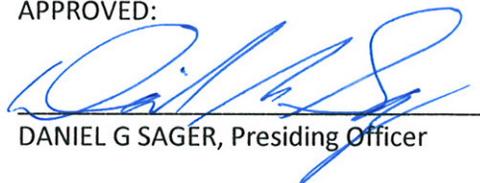
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Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

The Commissioners recessed to the Court Room. Presiding Officer, Dan Sager, swore in Mellissa Gallagher as Justice of the Peace, who is replacing JoAnne Nelson who has retired as of November 30, 2017.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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