

Deer Lodge, Montana

October 7, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Member Daniel G. Sager

Jarita Neckels, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

City/County Airport Documents were presented for sponsor's approval and signatures. Capital Improvements Plan (2020-2026), 2020 MDT Aeronautics Grant & Loan Award acceptance for \$9,232.00, Airport AIP 3-30-0021-013-2017, Request for Reimbursement NO 3 for Environmental Assessment, Airport AIP 3-30-0021-016-2019 Request for Reimbursement NO 1 for Airfield Pavement Maintenance Project, and Recommendation of Construction Contracts.

County Planner Hamming was in to give Commissioners an update on Road Abandonments in Elliston. A Letter was submitted by John Quigley with signatures by all affected parties to proceed with the abandonment. This is to correct the 1992 petition what was never completed. They filed a new petition to abandon alleys.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of September 2019, warrant # 63219 - # 63285 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Public Hearing for Intent to sell the Old Hospital. It was explained that the County intends to sell the Old Hospital at auction. The County after public hearing will do a Resolution to sell property then post auction date for two weeks in the local paper. Public comment was that they do not want anything that will devalue their property. The City of Deer Lodge through their B1 Zoning has more say in what type of use the Old Hospital would have. Present were Mikell Perriman, John Molendyke, Charlotte Molendyke, and Michael Stafford from the Silver State Post.

The Commissioners received a letter of notice that Powell County received a Planning Grant award from Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) for \$15,000 to complete a bridge system preliminary engineering report.

The Commissioners received notice from the Department of Natural Resource & Conservation (DNRC) that our Local Government Forestry Assistance Grant LGA-17-006 was extended with Amendment #12 to May 31, 2020.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

October 8, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Members Daniel G. Sager and Doug Crachy

Jarita Neckels, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

County Attorney Kathryn McEnergy was in to discuss Old Yellowstone Trail project preliminary opinion on county road right-of-way.

Executed contract with MSU extension for FY2020. Extension services agreement for the amount of \$120,316.00.

Ambulance service to be provided by Deer Lodge Medical Center (DLMC) discussion entailed process needed to legally set up the service to accept tax payer funds. DLMC has set up a for nonprofit LLC owned by DLMC to operate service. County Attorney will draw up a contract between County and LLC for county wide services to be provided. Attending meeting were Charlene Shaul, Pam Reighard, Kathryn McEnergy, Tony Pfaff and Jennifer Spring from DLMC and Leigh Ann and Fred Valiton from Ovando.

Rob Roberts Trout Unlimited, Joel Chavez DEQ, Steve Opp Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forest, Hans Oles Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forest, and Carl Hamming Planner, were in to update the Commissioners on future mine waste clean-up at Blackfeet #1 and other small mine sites on the Little Blackfeet drainage. Approximately 14,000 cubic yards will be removed and taken to the Latrelle repository site. They will be hauling on the county road down the Little Blackfoot and up the telegraph road to the repository. Haul will be 20 miles plus on county and Forest Service Roads. County has a schedule A agreement with Forest Service for current logging operations presently hauling on those roads. They estimate 500 to 1,000 truckloads will be hauled.

County Planner, Carl Hamming, was in to discuss easements of county roads across school trust lands. He will discuss further with DNRC for more information.

Butch Phillips was in to discuss closing Perriman gravel pit since it isn't being used anymore. Provided agreement dated Dec. 28, 1982 filed in Vol 17 Page 175. Carl will research requirements to close the pit and creek situation will be brought to Watershed Restoration Council.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST: _____

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

October 9, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Members Daniel G. Sager and Doug Crachy

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Cindy Noland was in to discuss a bigger location for her 501 (C) 3, Powell County Literacy Program. Presently they are in the basement of the library, wants room enough for class room. Inquired into the Old Hospital, but we explained we are in the process of selling it.

Rex Anderson is appointed to fill a vacancy on the Airport Board. He has been on the board as the City Representative, but he is no longer on the City Council as of December 31, 2019, and is the board's recommendation he be appointed to fill the vacancy.

Commissioner Sager moved and Commissioner Crachy seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2019-18, Intent to sell the Following Real Property. The property to sell is the Old Hospital building at 1101 Texas Avenue, Deer Lodge, Montana. Auction will take place in the rotunda of the court house on October 30, 2019. Motion carried.

Ambulance service discussion public meeting held with north county residence over items wanted in contract. Tom Applegate will get costs of their EMT services to us. In attendance: Michael Stafford, Thomas Applegate, Teresa Graveley, Kyle Graveley, Bill McCormick, Leigh Ann Valiton, Heather Quigley, and Brian Quigley.

Patrick Moody and Carl Hamming were in to present Resolution 2019-19 to transfer properties to the City of Deer Lodge.

Commissioner Crachy moved and Commissioner Sager seconded the motion to approve transfer of property to City of Deer Lodge. Vote was 3 for and 0 against. Motion carried.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

October 21, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Member Daniel G. Sager

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 October 2019, warrant # 63289 - # 63349 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

County Planner Hamming was in to inform the Commissioners that the Clark Fork Coalition and Powell County will be having an open house on the future treatment of the Warm Springs Ponds. It will be Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

The Commissioners received Amendment #1 for Grant Agreement NO RITP-20-0156 for Planning Grant Roundhouse in the amount of \$49,907.00 from DNRC. It was signed by Commissioner Mannix.

Planner Hamming presented a request for payment for Mungas Co. Inc. in the amount of \$107,899.84 for work completed on Old Yellowstone Trail. Approved payment of NRDP funds.

Reviewed and signed FY2019-20 Audit Contract from Denning, Downey & Associates P.C. An AFR was sent out to 72 firms and this was the only auditor that responded. It was moved by Commissioner Sager and seconded by Commissioner Mannix to sign contract for \$21,500 for a non-federal audit. Motion carried.

Commissioner Sager attended the Airport Board meeting at the hospital.

The board received notice that we received \$13,998.00 as settlement of a Class Action Lawsuit for 2015-2017 PILT underpayments.

Rick and DeeDee Morse, R-D Septic Pumping of Opportunity were in to discuss septic dumping in the county. They need a place to dump because Anaconda-Deer Lodge will no longer accept waste from out of county. They are looking for someone to land appreciate (farm). They have several possible land owners. Will check with Chad Lanes on process. There is a possibility that the landfill may be able to farm it. Barry Danschen is looking into that.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

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October 22, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Members Daniel G. Sager and Doug Crachy

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Kathryn McEnery, County Attorney, and Carl Hamming, County Planner, were in to discuss Roundhouse settlement offer she is preparing to send to US Department of Treasury. Prior County Attorney, with Commissioners approval, offered \$200,000 for settlement of debt. Department of Treasury's response was that they wished to see current county financial statements. All agreed new offer should be \$200,000 with addition of deed to the Roundhouse property. Current grant availability indicates we may be lucky to be able to clean it up to be a park.

County Attorney McEnery discussed the State's new requirement that the County Treasurers office staff must have background checks to be allowed into the State's computer system. She will check with MACo and Treasurer's Association for their response.

County Attorney McEnery stated that the Department of Corrections is discussing with Department of Justice that Patrick Moody's position with Powell County Attorney's office may be transferred to the Department of Justice in Helena. That would free up County Attorney's administrative staff. She will keep Commissioners updated.

County Attorney McEnery is working on a contract with the hospital over ambulance service.

Steve Pocha was in with his road crew to introduce them to the Commissioners. Rod Hewlett and Mike Trimbo are his new employees for Road District #2.

Gene Wallace and Ken Hosford also were in to give road updates concerning their districts.

Johnathan Weaver, Great West Engineering, and County Planner Hamming were in to discuss Bridge Task Order. They will update bridge reviews with attention given to Chokecherry Lane and Willow Road Bridge.

Commissioner Crachy moved and Commissioner Sager seconded the motion to approve Task Order NO 14-2019 TSEP Bridge Evaluation Project NO 1-16264 for \$30,000. Great West will update the 2014 Bridge Inventory to reflect current changes. Motion carried.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Commissioner Mannix and Commissioner Sager attended the Warm Springs Ponds meeting at the Community Center with panelists representing EPA, State of Montana, Alantic Richfield, and Go Bird Montana.

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ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

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October 23, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Members Daniel G. Sager and Doug Crachy

Commissioner Sager attended the Western Montana Mental Health Board meeting.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Treasurer Pam Reighard, Ann O'Toole, and Finance Officer Charlene Shaul were in to discuss budget. FY2020 Budget was submitted to the State on October 9, 2019, before the due date of October 15, 2019. Also discussed status of FY18-19 audit with Newland. Pam said only question they had dealt with STIP, and Todd Watkins has responded to them with requested documents.

Commissioner Crachy attended LEPC meeting.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Commissioners attended the Joint City/County meeting at the Community Center at 5:30 p.m.

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ATTEST:

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October 28, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Members Daniel G. Sager and Doug Crachy

Jarita Neckels, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

The Commissioners renewed contract with the State Department of Justice for the Driver's License Exam Station office in the courthouse. Lease is for the time of November 1, 2019 to October 31, 2024. Lease is for \$8.00 per square foot with payments of \$100.00 a month. Commissioner Sager moved and Commissioner Crachy seconded the motion to approve renewal of the lease. Motion carried.

Renewed medical insurance from Correctional Risk Services, Inc. (CRS) through MACo for jail inmates. New effective dates of coverage are November 1, 2019 to October 31, 2020 with no rate increase.

The drawing of salary warrants #22691 - #22719 for Officers, Deputies, Foremen, Clerks and Appointees from various accounts for the month of October 2019, were approved and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Commissioner Sager attended the Council on Aging Board meeting.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

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October 29, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Members Daniel G. Sager and Doug Crachy

Jarita Neckels, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Michelle Edmunds, Senior HR Consultant with WeStaff was in to visit on HR concerns. She will be in the conference room today until 2:00 p.m. to visit with employees.

Sheriff Roselles was in to discuss Law Enforcement agreement with city regarding dispatch and prisoner housing.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

October 30, 2019

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Members Daniel G. Sager and Doug Crachy

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Kyla Johnson was in with Airport AIP 3-30-0021-016-2019 Request for Reimbursement NO 2 for Airfield Pavement Maintenance Project in the amount of \$2,905.72 with FAA share at 90%, \$2,915.15 for signature. She also has Airport AIP 3-30-0021-013-2017 Request for Reimbursement NO 4 for Environment Assessment on the amount of \$12,320.87 with FFA eligible share at 90% of \$11,088.38 for signatures.

County Attorney Kathryn McEnery was in to discuss proposed items for the ambulance contract.

Sheriff conducted the auction on the Old Hospital building. Minimum bid was set at \$300,000.00 and there were no bidders.

The Commissioners attended dam safety and ownership liability presentation of the dams on the Prison Ranch by Department of Natural Resource & Conservation (DNRC) and Great West Engineering.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk