

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 3, 2021

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

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

The Commissioners received notice that Jack Price was resigning from the PRDD Board after 44 years. Jack will be missed.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 4, 2021

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

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

Commissioner Mannix attended the Watershed Restoration Council meeting.

Commissioner Sager attended a site visit at Montana State Prison (MSP) Ranch II to discuss the open pit that the county has on the Department of Natural Resource & Conservation (DNRC) Trust Lands. They want to close it out. Meeting was with MSP, DNRC, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the County.

Yellowstone County Motors delivered three new 2021 Ram pickups for the road departments. Ken Hosford, Road Foreman District 1 picked his up.

Andrea Hannon, Grant Kohrs Intern Director, was in to introduce herself.

Planner Scott Hazelton was in with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Rock Creek Cattle Company for Old Yellowstone Trail. MOA has restrictions on trail use during branding and ranching time with a maximum of eight (8) days a year that the trail can be closed.

Paul Thompson from Gilman Construction was in to talk about the McKee Pit.

Commissioner Sager attended the Landfill Board meeting.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 5, 2021

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

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 April 2021, warrant # 65964 - # 66033 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Mike Timbo, Road Foreman District 2 was in to pick up his new truck.

Gene Wallace, Road Foreman District 3 was in to pick up his new truck.

Commissioner Sager attended Beaverhead-Deer Lodge Working Group Zoom meeting.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 17, 2021

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

County Treasurer Pam Reighard was in to discuss the Department of Motor Vehicles. They want the County to furnish equipment and supplies for services.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

The Commissioners received letter of interest from Bill Bandy to fill vacancy on the Tax Appeal Board. It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Sager to appoint Mr. Bandy to the Tax Appeal Board to fill the unfinished term of Jim Lane. Motion carried.

Sheriff Rosellas was in to give department updates and discuss vehicles. Chrysler is no longer doing fleet sales. Sheriff Roselles is also looking to add detention officers at the jail and to possibly do some jail upgrades to the HVAC System and kitchen using COVID 19 funds. Sheriff Roselles is working within his budget, just informing the Commissioners what he may be looking at.

Commissioner Sager attended the City Planning Board meeting at 10:00.

Commissioner Sager attended the Airport Board meeting at noon.

Kyla Johnson was in with Airport Request for Reimbursement #8 for Final Environmental Assessment. Morrison-Maierle invoices were for \$19,290.98 and \$50,888.74 for reimbursement into Delph's to reconcile the remaining reimbursements with final SF 270 & 425 forms by May 25, 2021. It was moved by Commissioner Sager and seconded by Commissioner Mannix to approve. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mannix went to look at the McKee Gravel Pit with Jonathan Weaver from Great West Engineering.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 18, 2021

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

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

County Planner Scott Hazelton was in with a 310 Permit Application for the Old Yellowstone Trail Phase II. He also presented an application for a Right-of-Way Occupancy Permit with the City of Deer Lodge for the trail head parking area on the south end of the Old Yellowstone Trail.

Frank Tabish L.H.C. has the contract for the overlay on Hwy 141 from Nevada Creek Dam to Hwy 200. They will permit a gravel pit next to the McKee pit and will turn it over to the county after the contract is complete.

Lloyd Wallen was in to request Commissioner Sager to present a state of the county program to Rotary. He will be happy to present.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 19, 2021

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

Jarita Neckels, Deputy 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 May 2021, warrant # 66034 - # 66099 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

County Attorney Kathryn McEnery was in to inform the Commissioners that she was sending Grant Kohrs a letter about Old Yellowstone Trail.

Justice of the Peace Melissa Gallagher was in to inform the Commissioners that the MHP is no longer taking credit cards she will track the loss of revenue that the county may lose.

Commissioner Sager attended a Zoom meeting for Western Montana Mental Health.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 24, 2021

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

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

Gene Wallace, Road District #3 Supervisor stopped in to visit.

The Commissioners appointed Gary Chilcott to the Airport Board as recommended by the Airport Board. Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Sager seconded the motion to appoint Mr. Chilcott. Motion carried.

Shannon Chamberlin from MACo Property Casualty Trust and Rody Holman from Payne West were in with renewal contracts for property casualty through MACo.

Victim's advocate Ambrel McKetchnie was in to discuss her budget. A grant was cut for this year and she needs the county to make up part of her wages. The Commissioners told her to add it to her budget, but not sure how.

Bo Walker and Sheila Finco were in to discuss Extension office clerk position. Sheila wants to retire in January, she wants her replacement hired prior to the fair so they can learn her position. We will advertise for a salaried position for the office to include extension office clerk, on-site IT person, and for county web page design.

Commissioner Sager attended a special Disposal District meeting.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 25, 2021

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

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

The drawing of salary warrants #23254 - #23281 for Officers, Deputies, Foremen, Clerks and Appointees from various accounts for the month of May 2021, were approved and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

The Commissioners signed Service Provider Designation form to the Department of Public Health & Human Services (DPHHS) to distribute alcohol tax money to Western Montana Addiction Services – Outpatient, Butte Cares-Prevention.

Scott Owen from Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) was in to discuss the Roundhouse Cleanup. Also present were County Planner Scott Hazelton, Jonathan Weaver from Great West Engineering, Jordan Green from the City of Deer Lodge, and Pat Thompson from W.E.T. Inc. DEQ is still reviewing the analysis that W.E.T. and Great West have submitted. The levels that Scott have seen seem to be close to the area being clean.

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 26, 2021

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

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

Heather Gregory, County Coroner, was in to discuss her budget.

Commissioner Mannix attended the DUI Task Force meeting at noon.

Amanda Bohrer, Chairman of the DIU Task Force was in with their State Fiscal Year 2021 DUI Plan. Application was approved by vote. Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Sager seconded the motion to approve. Motion carried. Also present was Peggy Kerr.

Resolution 2021-14 For COVID Emergency Declaration was read and discussed. It was moved by Commissioner Sager and seconded by Commissioner Mannix to approve. Motion carried.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
POWELL COUNTY, MONTANA

RESOLUTION FOR POWELL COUNTY DISASTER DECLARATION – 2021
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WHEREAS, the Powell County Commissioners are empowered by Section 7-5- 2101 MCA, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to manage the business and concerns of Powell County, Montana, in such a manner and to such an extent as the Commission determines to be in the County's best interest;

WHEREAS, the Powell County Commission, pursuant to Section 10-3-402, MCA, may issue a disaster declaration by resolution whenever the Board of Commissioners determine a disaster is occurring or has occurred. A disaster declaration may be terminated when the Board of Commissioners determine that the disaster conditions no longer exist.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Montana has declared a state of emergency in Montana regarding the onset and spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Secretary has declared a public health emergency for the United States. The Powell County Board of Commissioners have determined that it is of the utmost importance to protect our citizens within the entire County of Powell, Montana from the spread of this disease by following the guidance of the State of Montana;

WHEREAS, by declaring a disaster declaration, the Powell County Board of Commissioners shall activate applicable parts of the local or interjurisdictional disaster and emergency plan and program and authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance in accordance with such plans and programs. When more information is available, the governing body shall estimate expenditures and levy additional emergency millage necessary to cover the expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Powell County Board of Commissioners hereby declares a Disaster, as defined in Section 10-3-103 MCA, until the State of Montana removes the State Emergency declaration. All provisions of the Powell County Emergency Operations Plan are in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall be disseminated promptly by means calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public and shall be filed promptly with the division and the agency charged with recording the official records of the political subdivision pursuant to Section 10-3-404(2), MCA. Dated this 26th day of May 2021.

BOARD OF POWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

s/ DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

s/ RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Member

s/ DANIEL G. SAGER, Member

ATTEST:

s/JODY WALKER, Clerk and Recorder

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

APPROVED:

DOUG CRACHY, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk