

Commissioners' Minutes July 2022D

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 5, 2022

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.

Ann O'Toole was in to work on the budget and 2023 wages.

County Planner Cooley was in with a change order for Old Yellowstone Trail. It was signed by Commissioner Mannix.

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

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 6, 2022

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.

The commissioners received notice from the Department of the Air Force that Melissa Gallagher is called to active duty starting Sept. 25, 2022, to May 23, 2023. Melissa is making arrangements for replacement judges while she is gone.

Jordan Green, City of Deer Lodge CEO, and Amanda Cooley were in to discuss the DNRC ARPA funds that have to be used for infrastructure water & sewer. The County asks for forgiveness of the fairgrounds' water and sewer bill. Jordan will present it to the City Council.

Powell EMS update was presented by Rand Dickson, Jennifer Spring, and Tony Pfaff. Sheriff Roselles, Peggy Kerr and Luke Ulatowski from the Silver State Post were also present.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of June 2022, warrant #68124 - #68237 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Karen Laitala, the County Weed Coordinator, was in to discuss road spraying.

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

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 18, 2022

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.

Paid \$2,250.00 draw to Great West Engineering for professional fees on the Willow Bridge contract MT-MCEP-CG-23-252 in Elliston.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of July 2022, warrant #68238 - #68282 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Commissioner Sager attended the City Planning Board meeting.

The Commissioner will accept the proposal for auditing services for fiscal years 2022, 2023, and 2024 from Denning, Downing, & Associates P.C. for \$26,400.00 per year.

Dick Perkins was in to discuss problems with freezers full of rotten meat at the Garrison dumpster site.

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

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 19, 2022

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 a tour with Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forest in the Helena area.

Kelley Knight, Deputy Clerk & Recorder, presented the correspondence.

County Attorney Kathryn McEnery was in the office for a closed-session discussion.

Ann O'Toole Administrative Assistant and Amanda Cooley, County Planner were in to discuss the road through Cross Canyon Ranch and Spotted Dog WMA.

Financial Officer Charlene Shaul and Treasurer Pam Reighard were in to work on the budget.

County Superintendent Lewis Cozby was in to set up a school travel meeting. Will plan for Aug 2, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. in the conference room.

Commissioner Crachy attended the Parks Board meeting at 5:00 p.m.

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

APPROVED:

E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 20, 2022

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 Mannix attended the safety meeting.

Signed Fire Prevention Services Agreement for Arrowstone Park property owned by Powell County near Deer Lodge.

Ann O'Toole and Charlene Shaul were in to work on the budget for FY 2023.

Justice of the Peace Melissa Gallagher was in and gave the Commissioners a copy of her orders for the Montana Air National Guard to be deployed from Sept 15, 2022, to May 24, 2023. She has a replacement judge to fill in during her absence.

Amanda Cooley was in to discuss contract changes for Old Yellowstone Trail Phase II.

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

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

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 25, 2022

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 Doug Crachy

County Attorney Kathryn McEnery was in for a closed session on legal matters.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Maureen Porter, Globe Life Insurance representative, was in to discuss their supplemental insurance plans. Their plan is similar to AFLAC, where they pay the policy holder. Will meet with employees on Aug 1, 2022.

Postponed signing the Old City Dump lease until we receive more information. The lease calls for a fence around the property and want to check with the Sanitarian Chad Lanes on funding for the fence.

Commissioner Crachy moved, and Commissioner Mannix seconded the motion to accept Resolution 2022-13 allowing County ARPA water and sewer infrastructure funds to go to the city for their new water well project in the amount of \$607,444.00. The County will have water and sewer charges at the fairgrounds waived for the next 50 years. Motion carried.

County Extension agent, Bo Walker, was in to discuss the elk study and roads in Spotted Dog WMA.

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

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 26, 2022

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.

Ron Mjelde was in to get Covid testing kits for the employees at the landfill.

County Planner, Amanda Cooley, set up a Zoom meeting on Roundhouse property clean-up update. Attending were Scott Owen, Heidi Anderson Fohnagy, Jorri Dyer, and Craig Saver.

The drawing of salary warrants #23716 - #23740 for Officers, Deputies, Foremen, Clerks and Appointees from various accounts for the month of July 2022, were approved and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

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

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk

Deer Lodge, Montana

July 27, 2022

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

Kelley Knight, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Bill Pierce and Rick Maronick were in to discuss the purchase and uses of the Old Hospital building. Their initial review of the building indicates it may be detrimental to the value of the property. Repurposing the building may be cost-prohibitive. Pat Hansen and Luke Ulatowski, Silver State Post reporter, also were in attendance.

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

APPROVED:

RALPH E. MANNIX, JR., Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

JODY WALKER, Clerk