

Deer Lodge, Montana

March 1, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, did not meet.

Ruth E. Koehler spent the day with District #3 Road Department.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 2, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, held a special session. Present: Member Ruth E. Koehler; Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager, and Member Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. were available by phone.

Three-way Conference Call with Andy Head to discuss possibility of Powell County Securing a grant to build housing on Two Creek. The County will wait for Andy to come up with alternatives for title on the housing aspect to protect the county's interest.

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

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 6, 2023

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

Discussion about Willow Bridge with Jonathan Weaver, Great West Engineering. Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Sager seconded the motion to allow Jonathan to purchase beams for Willow Bridge. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mannix will be doing a closure on Helmville back road from Wineglass Ranch to Nevada Creek for conservation gathering landowners and stewardship gathering. There will be food, music, and camping.

Commissioner Koehler attended the Public Health Board meeting, Commissioner Mannix and Sager attended by phone.

Ken Hosford, County Road Dist. #1 Supervisor, stopped in to discuss the grant for the new county shop.

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

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 7, 2023

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

Milwaukee Roundhouse update was held via Microsoft meetings with Department of Natural Resource & Conservation (DNRC). The discussion was about obtaining more grant funds through Headwaters Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) to complete cleanup. Next update will be on April 25, at 11:00 am.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of March 2023, warrant #69344 - #69409 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Property Assessment Division from the Department of Revenue (DOR) came in to see if there is office space available in the courthouse. With a little switching around of office space we will be able to accommodate them.

Robert Walker presented a letter to the Commissioners regarding responsibilities of the Fair Board, Market Committee, and Extension office. Motion was made by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Koehler to sign. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mannix left at 3:00 pm.

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

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 8, 2023

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

Sheriff Roselles conducted the sale of the old hospital by auction. It was sold to Sherman Anderson for \$445,000.00.

Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Koehler seconded the motion to approve all submitted applications and appoint board member to their boards. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mannix left the meeting.

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

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 20, 2023

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

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Discussion on Tax Appeal Board opening and secretary was cancelled due to no show.

John and Mrs. Carlsbad, along with Commissioner Koehler were on conference call and zoom to discuss an offer of land to Arrowstone Park. In attendance was Commissioner Sager, Commissioner Mannix, County Attorney McEnery, County Planner Cooley, Pat Hanson, Parks Representative Andy Fisher, and reporter Luke Ulatowski. County Attorney McEnery will explore liability and access issues before final decision.

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

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 21, 2023

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

Gary Chilcott stopped by for a visit.

Signed Rock Creek Cattle Company plat.

Discussed need for Tax Appeal Board member and secretary.

Heather Gregory was in to have a MOU signed to use the Community Center for an Emergency Contact Center. MOU was signed. They also discussed the indigent burial budget.

Amanda Bohrer, Susan Dumont, Pam Reighard, Gavin Roselles, and Luke Ulatowski were in to talk about distribution of Alcohol tax money. They will all explore options. They will meet again in the month.

Amanda Cooley and Julie Schroder presented the Living Local App for Commissioner review. The cost starts at \$13,000 plus \$5,000 annual maintenance. The County will help start up by paying the initial \$13,000 cost. Planner Cooley will facilitate the project for the County.

Zoom meeting with Granite County Commissioners. Commissioners will ill set up meeting with representatives of 4-H Market Committee and the Fair board.

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

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Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 22, 2023

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

Commissioner Sager reported on Airport Board Monday night. Commissioner Mannix reported on Weed Board meeting Tuesday night.

MSU Extension request for Community Center was discussed.

Jordan Green, Amanda Cooley, Bo Walker, Dan Lucas were present and Commissioner Kohler was on the phone to discuss the need for both a County Agent and an MSU Community Development position. The County likes the idea and is willing to continue to provide all costs for agent secretary, office space, equipment etc. and will require a long-term contract with the City to fund the salary and miscellaneous costs for a second agent.

County Superintendent of Schools Kerry Glisson reported on her activities and all is well with rural schools.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of March 2023, warrant #69410 - #69473 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Finance Officer Susan Dumont started all grant payout and close out will need to be reported to her.

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

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Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

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March 27, 2023

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

Gary Swant and Amanda Cooley requested to adjust the planner's salary. Commissioner Sager recused himself and left the meeting. Amanda will look at some budget numbers.

Commissioner Sager attended Council on Aging meeting.

Treasurer Pam Reighard was in to discuss the County's participation in STIP for county money investment. The Authorized delegates will be changed to include Treasurer Reighard, Finance Officer Dumont, and Commissioner Sager. Motion to change authorized delegates was made by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Koehler. Motion carried.

Finance Officer Susan Dumont would like authorization to ACH, automated credit card payments when the bill is received. Motion made by Commissioner Koehler and seconded by Commissioner Mannix. Motion carried.

County Planner Amanda Cooley and GIS Specialist Ann O'Toole were in to talk about the county website and the tourism website. Total yearly fees in order to accomplish this will cost \$5,694.00. Both sites will be together and hosted by Civic Plus. Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Koehler seconded the motion to pay set up costs. Motion Carried.

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

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Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 28, 2023

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

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Chad Elser and Angie DeMass from the Department of Revenue were in with Treasurer Pam Reighard to discuss the office space they wish to rent in the courthouse.

Sheriff Roselles was in to discuss the omission of the County Jail on the insurance information recently received. This was a clerical error on the part of the insurance company and has been corrected. He also discussed the possibility of funding another officer position.

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

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

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March 29, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Member Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. Koehler and Sager were at doctor appointments

Cindy Purdue, Senator Daines Representative was in office to give legislative updates.

Commissioner Mannix spoke on EPA, Farm Bill, Tela Health, Vol Block Management, and Waters of US.

Audit exit review with Denning, Downey, and Company was held. Present was Bob Denning, Tica Hall, Pam Reighard, Susan Dumont, Charlene Shaul, Ann O'Toole, and Jody Walker were present. The County received a clean audit and congratulated our staff on an excellent job. Commissioner signed release for Treasure State to ship loader to the Landfill. The Landfill Board has approved the purchase.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of March 2023, warrant #69474 - #69513 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

The drawing of salary warrants #23923 - #23946 for Officers, Deputies, Foremen, Clerks and Appointees from various accounts for the month of March 2023, 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.

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