AUGUST 2018

COMMISSIONER MEETINGS

Sweet Grass County Commissioner meetings are held in the office of the county commissioners in the Sweet Grass County Annex in Big Timber, Montana, unless otherwise noted in the minutes. Regular commissioner meeting days are the first working day of each week (usually Monday unless Monday is a holiday then Tuesday) and every Thursday during the month. These are the days to schedule issues that require the commissioner to take action. The first Monday of each month a department head staff meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Claims will be reviewed and approved for payment every Thursday unless a conflict arises. At least one commissioner will be in the office from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily unless they are at a conference or a meeting requiring them to be out of the office.

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**Acronyms**

DES – Disaster and Emergency Services

CCR – Coordinated Community Response

L.E.P.C. – Local Emergency Preparedness

MACo – Montana Association of Counties

MDT – Montana Department of Transportation

MOU – Memorandum of Understanding

PMC – Pioneer Medical Center

RC&D – Rural Conservation and Development

TSEP – Treasure State Endowment Program – provides matching grant funds to local government agencies for construction of infrastructure projects.

Wednesday, August 1, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. A cash meeting was held and present were Clerk and Recorder Pederson, Treasurer Stene and Finance Officer Uehling. Commissioner Wallace made a motion to accept journal entries 686-1041 not all inclusive. Commissioner Faw seconded this and it passed with 2 ayes. Clerk and Recorder Pederson read budget resolutions 08-01-2018A – L. Commissioner Wallace moved to accept and Commissioner Faw seconded these, they passed with 2 ayes. A Board of Health meeting was held at noon.

Thursday, August 2, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. The Commissioners, Public Works Director Conner, Park County representatives and the Forest Service representatives went for a tour of the Main Boulder Road.

Friday, August 3, 2018

Commissioner Wallace was in today and Commissioner Faw is out. Commissioner Wallace worked at the cemetery.

Monday, August 6, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. Finance Officer Uehling was in to discuss resolutions. Commissioner Wallace moved to accept Resolution 08-06-2018 A. A resolution to allow finance officer to make budget amendments to law enforcement budget. Commissioner Faw seconded this and it passed with 2 ayes. Commissioner Wallace made a motion to accept corrected resolutions 08-01-2018 A & L. Commissioner Faw seconded this and it passed with 2 ayes. A staff meeting was held and present were: Bill Wallace, Bob Faw, Deanna Novotny, Connie Weston, Jane Stene, Vicki Uehling, Dan Tronrud, Catherine McKenzie and Jessie Connolly.

**Vicki Uehling, Finance Officer**- It’s budget season and she has been busy with that. Peggy Campbell has given her the taxable values and they are up 2 million. So Vicki and the Commissioners will start later today and Thursday working on the budgets.

**Jane Stene, Treasurer** - Her office is busy, but she was able to get her tax liens mailed out last Friday.

**Connie Weston, Weed Department**- All County roads have been sprayed as well as the State contract areas, but they are behind with the fishing access areas due to the area was still a little wet and the fact that the grass is so tall, but they are still working on it.

**Deanne Novotny, District Court-** Her office has had 2 more felonies cases and the civil cases this month have doubled. District court will have a civil trial on the 28th and 29th of this month. Also, on Sunday her office and the court room got new state computers.

**Dan Tronrud, Sheriff’s Office-** July was busy in the office with 21 citations and 433 calls for service. 4th of July was good and the office had a man hunt with help from Park County. They have also been helping with Park County with the boating accident. They are still helping with the search for the young man.

**Jessie Connolly, Justice Court-** City court saw 17 new cases and Justice court had 55 in July. Jessie attended a meeting with the company that did the high school safety program that was done this spring. They just went over what the high school needs to work on. She is also working with some people in regards to the $50,000 grant to help with victims of domestic violence and training. It would be split between Sweet Grass, Carbon and Stillwater Counties.

**Bill Wallace, County Commissioner**- He attended a PMC board meeting last month, went to Washington, D.C. and talked to a lot of people about the Medicare waiver, attended the meeting about the Old High School and voted for the $50,000 for the asbestos abatement and attended a salary compensation board meeting and agreed to the 1 % plus $500 raise for the elected officials.

**Bob Faw, County Commissioner-** Attended a Mental Health meeting, Fair Board meeting, signed an Inter Local agreement with the city, attended a meeting about the Chamber position and the Old High School meeting along with Commissioner Wallace.

Finance Officer Uehling presented a resolution for a budget amendment for Fund 2386 Technology, Commissioner Wallace moved to accept Resolution 08-06-2018B and Commissioner Faw seconded this, it passed with 2 ayes. Finance Officer Uehling was in to work on revenue budgets. We attended a workshop with the City to go over City Court and Library budgets.

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today.

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today.

Thursday, August 9, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. Finance Officer Uehling was in to work on budgets and Lauren McMullen was a guest.

Friday, August 10, 2018

Commissioner Faw was in today and Commissioner Wallace was out. Charles Shawley with Crazy Mountain Wind called to schedule a meeting for Yellowstone Trail road agreement.

Monday, August 13, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in Billings for MACo District meeting.

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Commissioner Wallace was in today and Commissioner Faw is out. Commissioner Wallace attended a weed board meeting.

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. A Mental Health Board meeting was held at the library with Amber Blake, Big Timber Grade School, Sweet Grass County High School, Justice of Peace Connolly, Sheriff Tronrud and Billings Clinic.

Thursday, August 16, 2018

Commissioner Wallace was in and Commissioner Faw was out. Commissioner Wallace helped Public Works Director Conner put the sod back in at the court house and then attended a PMC Board meeting.

Friday, August 17, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. The MOU for the Stock Growers and Wool Growers Predator control fund was signed. Finance Officer Uehling was in today for a budget meeting. The MOU for the Rural Community Health Worker Pilot Project Grant application for the Montana Mental Health Trust was signed for their consideration.

Monday, August 20, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today.

Tuesday, August 21, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. Finance Officer Uehling was in to go over Fund 2300 Law Enforcement Prisoner Board Resolution 08-21-2018 correcting Resolution 08-06-2018A. Commissioner Wallace moved to accept the amended resolution and Commissioner Faw seconded this and it passed with 2 ayes to correct Resolution 08-06-2018A.

Wednesday, August 22, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. Clerk and Recorder Pederson was in to read July minutes. Commissioner Wallace moved to accept July 2018 minutes as corrected and Commissioner Faw seconded this, it passed with 2 ayes.

Thursday, August 23, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. Claims for the week were reviewed and signed. Commissioner Wallace made a motion to accept a MOU between the County and US Forest Service for cooperating agency status. Commissioner Faw seconded this and it passed with 2 ayes.

Friday, August 24, 2018

Commissioner Faw was in today and Commissioner Wallace was in Billings for a Mental Health Center Board meeting.

Monday, August 27, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. Vehicle leases for Dan Tronrud and Alan Ronneberg were both signed. Public Works Director Conner was in with an encroachment permit for Triangle Telephone on Wheeler Creek Road, 7/8 of a mile South of Melville Road. Commissioner Wallace moved to accept and Commissioner Faw seconded this, it passed with 2 ayes.

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

Commissioner Wallace and Faw are in today. A meeting was held at 1:00 PM to discuss and sign the road agreement between Sweet Grass County and Crazy Mountain Wind. The agreement was tabled to allow notice for public comments. The next meeting will be held on September 13, 2018. (See separate recorded meeting)

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

Commissioner Wallace was in today and Commissioner Faw is on vacation.

Thursday, August 30, 2018

Commissioner Wallace was in today and Commissioner Faw is on vacation. Commissioner Wallace helped the road shop in the morning. Claims for the week were reviewed and signed by Commissioner Wallace. Payroll checks were signed. Commissioner Wallace worked at the cemetery in the afternoon.

Friday, August 31, 2018

Commissioner Wallace was in today and Commissioner Faw is on vacation.

Claims for the month of August amounted to $313,206.16.

County August payroll totaled $297,048.26.

Respectfully submitted

/s/ Vera Pederson

 Board of County Commissioners

 Bob Faw, Chairman

Attest:

Vera Pederson, Clerk