

SEPTEMBER 13 - 17, 2021  
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. 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.

**NOTICE: These minutes reflect the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners. The official minutes are on file with the Clerk and Recorder (MCA 7-4-2611(2)(b)).**

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**Monday, September 13, 2021**

All Commissioners are in today.

Extension Agent King was in for the signing of the MSU Extension service agreement. Commissioner Moody made a motion to approve the FY2022 service agreement between Montana State University and Sweet Grass County. Commissioner Wallace seconded this and the motion passed with 3 ayes.

Commissioner Wallace was out in the afternoon and Commissioner Roe was assisting with the Public Health Office.

**Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

All Commissioners are in today.

Superintendent of Schools Metcalf was in for the certifying of the school budgets. Commissioner Wallace made a motion to review and certify the school budgets for FY2022 on all schools within Sweet Grass County (SGHS, BTGS, Greycliff, Melville and McLeod school districts). Commissioner Moody seconded this and the motion passed with 3 ayes.

Finance Officer Uehling was in for a budget resolution amendment. Commissioner Moody made a motion to approve resolution 09-14-2021. A resolution to allow the financial officer to make budget amendments to increase the FY20-21 expenditure budget for an additional \$1,045,645.00 unbudgeted cash reserves will be transferred to capital improvement funds. Commissioner Wallace seconded this and the motion passed with 3 ayes. (See attached resolution)

**Wednesday, September 15, 2021**

All Commissioners are in today.

Public Health Nurse Chappell presented a task order for the maternal & child health block grant program. Commissioner Moody made a motion to approve task order 22-25-5-01-049-0 for the maternal & child health block grant program for Sweet Grass County. Commissioner Wallace seconded this and the motion passed with 3 ayes.

A representative from Senator Daines office called inquiring about the tailings pond at Sibanye-Stillwater Mine.

Commissioner Wallace made a motion to approve resolution 09-15-2021. A resolution rescinding all fire restrictions. Commissioner Moody seconded this and the motion passed with 3 ayes. (See attached resolution)

**Thursday, September 16, 2021**

Commissioner Wallace and Moody are in today and Commissioner Roe is out.

Claims for the week were reviewed and signed.

Planner Dringman was in to discuss the Sibanye-Stillwater Mine tailings pond.

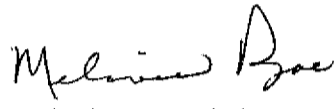
**Friday, September 17, 2021**

Commissioner Moody and Roe are in today and Commissioner Wallace is out.

Commissioner Moody went to the high school to talk to Cory Austin about HRDC.

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners



Melanie Roe, Chairman

Date Approved: October 28, 2021



Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk



RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-2021

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE FINANCIAL OFFICER TO MAKE BUDGET AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated 7-6-4006(4) gives the governing body the authority to amend budgets during the fiscal year by conducting hearings at regularly scheduled meetings, and

WHEREAS, circumstances have occurred that require a budget amendment to be made, and

WHEREAS, a meeting was properly noticed 48 hours in advance and open to the public and was attended by Commissioners Wallace, Moody, and Roe, Financial Officer Uehling, and Clerk & Recorder Pederson, was held on the 14th day of September, 2021, and the amendment to adjust various funds was fully discussed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Sweet Grass County authorize Financial Officer Uehling to increase the FY 2020-2021 expenditure budgets of the funds listed below for an additional \$1,045,645.00. Unbudgeted cash reserves will be transferred to capital improvement funds.

Fund	Original Budget	Resolution	Amended Budget
1000 General	\$1,961,548.00	\$235,785.00	\$2,197,333.00
2110 Road	\$1,312,154.00	\$148,230.00	\$1,460,384.00
2130 Bridge	\$819,535.00	\$108,940.00	\$928,475.00
2140 Weed	\$231,640.00	\$73,235.00	\$304,875.00
2160 Fair	\$102,990.00	\$34,398.00	\$137,388.00
2170 Airport	\$97,328.00	\$48,749.00	\$146,077.00
2180 District Court	\$142,868.00	\$34,302.00	\$177,170.00
2240 Cemetery	\$103,735.00	\$17,681.00	\$121,416.00
2250 Planning	\$129,069.00	\$6,986.00	\$136,055.00
2271 Mental Health	\$68,081.00	\$34,479.00	\$102,560.00
2280 Sr Citizens	\$58,490.00	\$9,540.00	\$68,030.00
2290 Extension	\$120,949.00	\$27,985.00	\$148,934.00
2300 Law Enf	\$1,323,516.00	\$174,874.00	\$1,498,390.00
2340 Fire	\$461,425.00	\$37,861.00	\$499,286.00
2386 Technology	\$45,830.00	\$8,587.00	\$54,417.00
2800 Alcohol Rehab	\$69,926.00	\$38,546.00	\$108,472.00
2220 Library	\$50,101.00	\$5,464.00	\$55,565.00
2714 CCR Team	\$652.00	\$1.00	\$653.00
2760 Public Health	\$2,831.00	\$2.00	\$2,833.00
		\$1,045,645.00	

Dated this 14th day of September, 2021

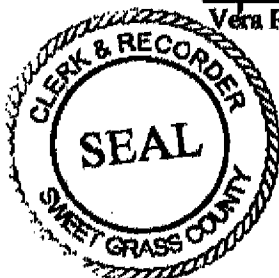
SWEET GRASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

*Melanie Roe*, Melanie Roe, Chairman

*James V. Moody*, James V. Moody, Member

*William Wallace*, William Wallace, Member

Attest: *Vera Pederson*  
 Vera Pederson, Clerk and Recorder



**RESOLUTION NO. 09-15-2021**

**A RESOLUTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION 06-24-2021 and RESOLUTION 07-02-2021  
REGARDING STAGE 1 and 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS IN SWEET GRASS COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, resolution 06-24-2021 setting Stage 1 Fire Restrictions was signed on June 24, 2021, and resolution 07-01-2021 setting Stage 2 Fire Restrictions was signed on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 and

**WHEREAS**, Fire Chief, Kris Novotny and DES Coordinator, Cliff Brophy, have contacted the Board of County Commissioners requesting that fire restrictions follow those consistent with the Billings Area Restrictions Group.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** having signed resolution 09-15-2021 rescinding fire restrictions that are consistent with Billings Area Restrictions Group, the Sweet Grass County Board of County Commissioners will rescind resolution 06-24-2021 and resolution 07-01-2021 effective at 12:01 am on Friday September 17th.

Dated this 15th day of September, 2021

Board of County Commissioners

  
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Melanie Roe, Chairperson

Attest:

  
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Vera Pederson, Clerk & Recorder

