

FEBRUARY 7 - 11, 2022
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)).

Monday, February 7, 2022

All Commissioners are in today.

A staff meeting was held with Pat Dringman, Vicki Uehling, Susan Metcalf, Cory Conner, Vera Pederson, Connie Weston, Cliff Brophy, Page Dringman and Jessie Connolly present.

Commissioner Roe started the meeting with updates on the cyber security training and CIP update.

County Attorney Dringman said he has been busy with trials the last 2 weeks.

Planner Dringman said they have been busy with COS reviews, subdivision proposals and marijuana ordinance.

Weed Coordinator Weston informed us that she is working on rewriting the subdivision weed policy and MWCA stuff.

Finance Officer Uehling said the audit has been issued and that we had a cash meeting last month.

Justice of the Peace Connolly reported the numbers for the month and said she has seen an increase in MIPs in the recent months. She also said she attended a commission of courts of limited jurisdiction meeting via Zoom and met with Commissioners regarding the capital improvement plan.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy said he has been closing grants and working on RFP's for radios.

Public Works Director Conner said they have received the dump truck but no plow or sander for it yet, he hired Wyatt Fjare this month, graveled Lower Deer Creek and patched the Bridger Creek bridge.

Superintendent of Schools Metcalf said the schools have been working on budgets, spelling bee this month and school trustee filings opened.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson informed us that March 14, 2022 is the deadline to file for offices, she attended the Secretary of State equipment certification in Helena and will be attending the Secretary of State certification meetings next week.

Commissioner Moody informed everyone that the Commissioners attended the Forest Service meeting by Zoom, fair board meeting, fire department meeting, board appointments, CIP meetings, met with the Governor, working with City and Lana on junk vehicle issues and had cash meeting.

Commissioner Wallace added that he attended Mental Health board, PMC board and Airport board meetings.

Commissioner Roe also added that she attended a Senior Center board meeting.

County Attorney Dringman was in to go over the capital improvement plan.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy was in to discuss the generator at the courthouse.

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

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

Celine Rigew from the Governor's office called regarding our complaints on how the bridge notice closure on Bridger Creek Road was managed by the DOT.

Tom Larson stopped in to inquire on the status of the speed limit east of town on Big Timber Loop.

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

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

Marc King stopped in with questions regarding fairground contracts. We referred him to the county attorney.

Julie Blockey with Southwester Montana Insurance stopped to visit about insurance options. We referred her to the insurance committee.

Mayor DeBoer stopped by to inquire about junk vehicles.

Alison Haggerman who lives on Bainter Road was in with question on the Bainter Road bridge over the Sweet Grass.

Thursday, February 10, 2022

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

Susan Metcalf was in to discuss the percentage of her position and retirement.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson was in to go over agenda items and read minutes. Commissioner Moody made a motion to approve the minutes from January 3 – 28, 2022 with corrections. Commissioner Roe seconded this and the motion passed with 2 ayes.

Tyson Gregorich was in to ask questions about the Bridger Creek bridge.

Kandi Schuman was in to talk about fairgrounds contracts.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson and Finance Officer Uehling was in to discuss the county superintendent position.

Friday, February 11, 2022

All Commissioners are in today.

Planner Dringman presented a COS for Cremer for review. Commissioner Wallace made a motion to approve the boundary relocation and Commissioner Moody seconded this. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy was in to talk about vendors and contracts.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners

Melanie Roe, Chairman

Date Approved: April 28, 2022

Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk