

JUNE 5 - 9, 2023
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, June 5, 2023

All Commissioners are in today.

A department head meeting was held with Vera Pederson, Connie Weston, Cliff Brophy, Vicki Uehling, Marc King, Barb Swanson, Jessie Connolly and Char Rasnick present.

Extension Agent King said he attended the weed summit and weed board meeting, quality assurance with the 4H kids, unloaded wool from Eastern Montana and went to Texas with the judging team.

Finance Officer Uehling reported that she has been working on budgets and some credit card fraud.

Weed Coordinator Weston has been busy with meetings and the weed summit, went to Dailey Lake and the spray crew started.

Justice of the Peace Connolly reported the numbers for the month and said she attended the Mental Health Advisory Board meeting and CPT meeting.

Clerk of District Court Swanson reported the numbers for the month and said she sent out the jury pool questionnaires. She is preparing for the jury trial at the fairgrounds.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy said he is ready for any disasters.

Treasurer Rasnick reported the tax amounts collected for May and said she is changing credit card companies.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson informed us that she hired Seanna Gibby, closed the school election, installed security keypads on the doors where election equipment and ballots are stored and the deadline to file for the upcoming municipal election is this month.

Commissioner Roe said they extended the telehealth grant, working on budgets, the Big Timber Pioneer bill, the DOR report that there will be an increase of 25% in commercial property and 47% in residential, senior center is remodeling the apartment upstairs, still working on the Voges Bridge, donated money to the Boulder River Watershed, Sibanye Stillwater Mine was in to discuss workforce issue and other issues, roads and flooding issues, City of Big Timber ARPA grant, Beaver Creek Wind requesting tax abatement, and Sage Grouse and Solar with BLM.

Commissioner Moody added that Spencer Saunders was hired as the fairgrounds caretaker. Moody attended a fire co-op meeting with Sibanye-Stillwater Mine and attended HR training in Livingston. The Sweet Grass Solutions resource guide is available.

Tyler Delaney and Kevin Babcock with First West Insurance and two ladies from the Montana State Fund were in to discuss Workers Compensation Insurance and the new rates for July 2023 – June 2024.

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

All Commissioners are in today.

Commissioner Roe moved to accept KLJ's (Airport Engineer) recommendation for the Rehabilitation/Expansion of the apron. Bids were opened on April 25th and Askin Construction was the low bidder. Commissioner Wallace seconded and the motion carried with three ayes.

The District Court budget and the Court House General Facilities budget were presented by Barb Swanson, Clerk of District Court.

Commissioner Roe attended a BLM-Utility Scale Solar Cooperating Agency update meeting by Zoom.

The County Attorney came in and presented his department's budget for 2023/2024.

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

All Commissioners are in today.

Will Angst, a film location manager, came in to look at various county buildings as a possible movie location.

Thursday, June 8, 2023

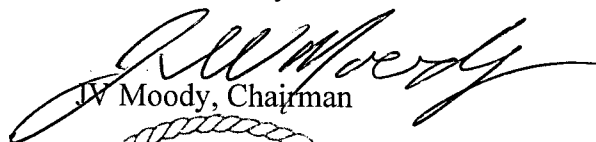
Commissioners Wallace and Roe are in today and Commissioner Moody is out. Commissioners Wallace and Roe went to Red Lodge to a MACo District 6 & 7 meeting.

Friday, June 9, 2023

All Commissioners are in today. Commissioners Moody and Wallace went to Bozeman. Commissioner Roe is in the office.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners


J. V. Moody, Chairman

Date Approved: October 31, 2023



Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk

