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SEPTEMBER 18 - 22, 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, September 18, 2023

All Commissioners are in.

The Commission requested DES/911 Coordinator Brophy to get ahold of the Sheriff and cancel the meeting with Central Square due to the lack of funding for the current fiscal year.

Granite Technology was in to set up the .gov emails and Bailey Elliott, also from Granite Technology, called to set up an additional meeting to discuss our phone system.

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

Commissioner Moody is in and Commissioner Roe in the afternoon. Commissioner Wallace is out.

The Commission met with Granite and discussed some of the advantages of an updated phone system linked to the computer system which would include the ability to record meetings and upload them to the web site without additional equipment or technology.

Tyler Holland with Key Insurance brought in the new local associate Jeanne Hogg. She will be our new agent representing MACo in the county.

Cybersecurity was discussed and the need for a new policy addressing this issue.

Key Insurance also requested that we officially authorize Jeanne Hogg to be our MACo representative. This was put on the agenda for Friday.

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

All Commissioners are in.

Saluting Branches, a Tree Care Professional's Group, honoring veterans through caring for trees and landscaping at cemeteries all over the nation, came to Mountain View Cemetery to do the "Day of Service". Approximately 35 arborists, from multiple companies around Montana, trimmed trees, chipped branches and cut down trees to help clean up the cemetery, especially around the Veterans' designated area. They will be back next year to continue their project. Commissioners Moody and Wallace assisted the county crew with cleanup and then shared in lunch.

The Commissioners have received several calls from concerned constituents about the newspaper article in the Big Timber Pioneer regarding the adoption of the county budget. The newspaper erroneously reported on several aspects that the county budget was increased. The Commissioners wrote a rebuttal that will hopefully run in the paper next week.

Thursday, September 21, 2023

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

Claims were read and approved. Agenda was discussed

Clerk and Recorder brought in the new re-districting maps and requested we review them.

Senator Esp came in to talk about the request that he write a letter on behalf of the Conservation District to DNRC to support work on the approaches of the Boulder Bridge east of Big Timber on Big Timber Loop Road.

Friday, September 22, 2023

Commissioners Moody and Roe are in. Commissioner Wallace is at a South-Central Montana Mental Health board meeting in Billings.

Sheriff Ronneberg came in to talk about staffing for dispatch at the Sweet Grass County Sheriff's office.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners

W Moody, Chairman

Date Approved: October 31, 2023

Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk