

FEBRUARY 6 - 10, 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, February 6, 2023

All Commissioners are in today.

A department head meeting was held with Pat Dringman, Vicki Uehling, Barb Swanson, Connie Weston, Cliff Brophy, Cory Conner, Vera Pederson, Alan Ronneberg, Jessie Connolly and Char Rasnick present.

County Attorney Dringman said he has a trial starting tomorrow and is watching lots of legislative issues.

Finance Officer Uehling said the annual report was submitted and the audit finished.

Clerk of District Court Swanson reported the numbers for the month and discussed the jury trial that is set for the fairgrounds in July.

Weed Coordinator Weston said she is busy getting ready for spray season.
Treasurer Rasnick had nothing to report from her office.

Justice of the Peace Connolly reported the numbers for the month, she has a commission meeting next Friday, changes with the site pay and following a lot of legislative bills.

Sheriff Ronneberg reported the numbers for the month, discussed the interstate closure and the after-action meeting.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy said he is busy with grants, paperwork and bids.

Public Works Director Conner discussed employee issues, safety training and MACRS is in Great Falls will be in March.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson said she is busy with the legislative session, the new ElectMT systems went live, and she is working on the total address and precinct boundaries for that. She attended the IGO Conference in Glendale, Arizona last month as president for her association and attended a district convention planning meeting.

Commissioner Roe said the commissioners have been busy. She attended the Area II on Aging, Beartooth RC & D meeting and Sage Grouse meetings. They are working on organizing the road records and approved money to Shepherder Square for curbs and sidewalk improvements for the Civic Center.

Commissioner Moody discussed the tanker removal and said he attended the health forum and LEPC meetings, working on the fairground's caretaker position, board appointments and the courtroom planning.

Commissioner Wallace added that they received the new insurance information and the insurance on the buildings doubled. He attended the PMC board and strategic planning meetings, Mental Health board and Airport board meetings.

County Attorney Dringman stayed after the department head meeting to discuss several issues.

Commissioner Wallace moved to accept the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Big Timber for the Justice of the Peace/City Judge. The motion was seconded and carried.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson was in to review insurance. Due to confusion over a large potential increase the Commissioners requested a meeting with the agent to explain the coverage and costs.

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

All Commissioners are in today.

Bonnie Knopf with MACo called for permission for the new insurance agent to view our policies.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy came in to present his request for proposal for the purchase and installation of an emergency backup power system at the annex. Proposals are due back on March 20th.

Commissioner Roe moved to approve the updated Emergency Operation Plan – Section 17 – Evacuation Annex and Shelter/Mass Care Annex. The motion was seconded and carried. The updated signature page will be brought over for signatures.

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

All Commissioners are in today.

Commissioner Wallace attended the airport board meeting.

Commissioner Moody attended the after-action debriefing for the I-90 closure due to winter storm.

Thursday, February 9, 2023

All Commissioners are in today.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson was in to go over agenda items.

Claims for the week were reviewed and signed.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson read the minutes from December 26, 2022 thru January 20, 2023. Commissioner Roe made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Commissioner Wallace seconded and the motion carried with 3 ayes.

Friday, February 10, 2023

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

Commissioner Moody attended the health forum meeting at the PMC.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners

[Signature]
JV Moody, Chairman

Date Approved: May 1, 2023

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Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk

