

Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting  
June 17, 2015 – 5:15 p.m.  
Fergus County Commissioners  
712 W. Main, Suite 210  
Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Presiding Officer Sandra Youngbauer, Commissioner Carl Seilstad, Commissioner Ross Butcher, and Clerk and Recorder, Rana Wichman. Public present: See attached list.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Presiding Officer Youngbauer called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Presiding Officer Youngbauer indicated if there were no alterations or corrections to the May 20, 2015, minutes they would stand approved as distributed. They will be on file with the Clerk and Recorder and on the Fergus County Website.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT:**

Tom Wojtowick, representing the Community Council, reported that Gilles Stockton is working on setting up a meeting with representatives of CIT (Crisis Intervention Training". Commissioner Seilstad indicated that Sheriff Eades is also working on this. Mr. Wojtowick then reported that they are working with Pam Vosen to get e-mails set up so they don't have to use their personal ones for County business.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS:**

- 1) The Commissioners are meeting with departments to work on budgets.
- 2) There are still positions open on some rural fire boards and some County boards.

**BID OPENING:** None

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1) Resolution to receive and spend DES – Homeland Security Grant Funds: Commissioner Seilstad moved to adopt the resolution to receive and spend DES – Homeland Security Grant Funds. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 2) Resolution to receive and spend MT Board of Crime Control Funds for Detention Camera System: Commissioner Butcher moved to adopt the resolution to receive and spend MT Board of Crime Control Funds for Detention Camera System. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 3) Resolution establishing a policy where Fergus County is reimbursed for publications costs. Commissioner Seilstad moved to adopt the resolution establishing a policy where Fergus County is reimbursed for publication costs. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Discussion included the information that currently Fergus County covers these costs, but with resolution the petitioners would pay the costs. Passed unanimously.
- 4) Use of Calcium Chloride on County Roads: Commissioner Butcher moved to approve the use of calcium chloride on County roads. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. Both commented they did this action to get it to the discussion phase. Guest Jerry Simpson was invited to give his comments on this subject. Most of this revolved around the application of what was to be calcium chloride in 2011. He said he contacted Road Supervisor John

Anderson to get a copy of the MSDS for calcium chloride and was not able to get it. After contacting others he finally got a MSDS for Magnesium Chloride. He now questions which of these products was actually put on the roads. He indicated that Dennis Lenz sponsored HB558 regarding the use of calcium chloride and its negative effect on vehicles and equipment. The bill passed the House but died in the Senate. Mr. Simpson asked what kind of a guarantee is there that if the same problems that occurred in 2011 happen again, that the product will be removed. Commissioner Youngbauer stated that the ratio they will now use is 1.7. In 2011 it was around 2.9. Commissioner Seilstad indicated that in 2011 both Moore and Winifred had very bad experiences with this product. He also stated that if it is applied correctly, that is the correct ratio, it is supposed to make the roads last longer. Commissioner Seilstad asked to amend his previous motion to include the following:

- a) The County must be guaranteed that the ratio will be between 1.7 and 1.9.
- b) The County must be guaranteed that in the case of inclement weather or if there is any inclination that things are not going right that the project(s) must be shut down immediately.
- c) The County must be guaranteed that calcium chloride is being used and not magnesium chloride.
- d) The County must be guaranteed that if it is determined the road isn't acceptable that the project will stop.
- e) The County must be guaranteed that if a road is not acceptable it will be torn back up and redone to County standards at the expense of whoever is responsible, that not being the County.

Commissioner Butcher seconded the amendment. Passed unanimously. The initial motion was then voted on and it passed unanimously.

- 5) Form Road Viewers Committee – discontinue streets and alleys in Brooks. Commissioner Butcher moved to appoint Road Supervisor John Anderson and Commissioner Seilstad. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 6) Floodplain Permit #02-2015-FC – Isackson Bank Stabilization: County Planner Pam Vosen led the discussion on this. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve Floodplain Permit #02-2015-FC – Isackson Bank Stabilization with the addition recommended by Vosen in regard to the need for written notification when the work is completed. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Passed unanimously.

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

- 1) Grass Range Rural Fire: Commissioner Butcher moved to appoint L. J. Olson and Albert Seaholm to the Grass Range Rural Fire District Board. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. Passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Sheriff Eades told the Commissioners he would be willing to get people involved with applying to be on the rural fire boards if they wanted him to. He will be in contact with Commissioner Butcher to see what positions are open.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATES:**

June 25, 2015  
Thursday – 2:00 PM

Business Meeting

Fergus County Commissioners  
712 W. Main St., Suite 210  
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July 10, 2015  
Friday – 2:00 PM

Business Meeting

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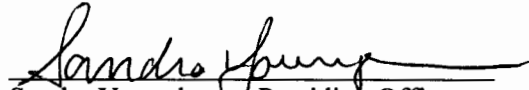
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July 15, 2015  
Wednesday -5:15 PM

Regular Business Meeting

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Reminder: Agenda items are due to the Commissioners 10 days prior to the meeting.

  
Sandra Youngbauer, Presiding Officer

  
Carl Seifstad, Commissioner

  
Ross Butcher, Commissioner

Attest:

  
Rana J Wichman, Clerk & Recorder

