

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting  
April 10, 2017 – 2:00 p.m.  
Fergus County Commissioners  
712 W. Main St., Suite 210  
Lewistown, MT 59457

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

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Presiding Officer Seilstad called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Presiding Officer Seilstad asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the March 23, 2017 minutes. Hearing none the minutes will stand approved as distributed and they will be on file with the Clerk and Recorder and on the Fergus County Website.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**BID OPENINGS:** None

**PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- 1) Victim Witness Advocate
- 2) Clerk & Recorder Administrative Assistant – this has been filled
- 3) Weed Sprayer – short term
- 4) Detention Officer – full time
- 5) County Planning Office Manager
- 6) DES Coordinator

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:**

- 1) Commissioner Youngbauer welcomed Commissioner Butcher back and all are glad his son is recovering from his accident.

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1) April 10, 2017 Claims: Commissioner Youngbauer moved to approve the April 10, 2017 claims. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 2) Report of Road Viewers (Road Petition #484) – Cotter Bridge Road: Pam Vosen reported for the Road Viewers Committee that they went out on September 14, 2016. The initial petition was to close the road but the Road Viewers Committee recommends it be re-designated as it currently runs. It has locked gates that need to be opened.
- 3) Report of Road Viewers – Pine Ridge Lane: Pam Vosen reported for the Road Viewers Committee that this is already a County road. It was designated in 1969 but wasn't given a road number. The Committee recommended that no action was necessary other than addresses need to be changed to reflect Pine Ridge Road in accordance with County policy. They also recommended that fences be moved at the discretion of the County Road Supervisor and the County Commissioners. Commissioner

Butcher moved to accept the Road Viewer Committee's recommendations. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. Discussion included the fence issues and Commissioner Seilstad suggested a letter be sent to the petitioners stating that Fergus County is not responsible for damage to fences that are within the right-of way. Passed unanimously. Pam Vosen will prepare a letter with this information.

- 4) Maiden Road Resolution: Commissioner Youngbauer moved to approve the Maiden Road Resolution. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Commissioner Seilstad stated he has some issues with the resolution as it now stands in that Item #1 states the Commissioners have reviewed the construction plans but they have not had this opportunity. He wants to wait for clarifications prior to approving this resolution. Commissioner Butcher moved to table this resolution until the Commissioners can review the project plans. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. Passed unanimously. A vote on the first motion was called for and it failed.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

- 1) Fair Board – Pam Vosen: Commissioner Youngbauer moved to appoint Pam Vosen to the Fair Board to fill a vacancy that will end August 31, 2017. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**OTHER BUSINESS:** May 25 meeting changed to May 24.

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

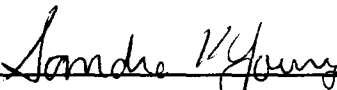
April 19, 2017 Wednesday, 5:15 p.m.	Business Meeting	Fergus Co. Commissioners 712 W. Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457
April 25, 2017 Tuesday, 2:00 p.m.	Business Meeting	Fergus Co. Commissioners 712 W. Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457
May 10, 2017 Wednesday, 2:00 p.m.	Business Meeting	Fergus Co. Commissioners 712 W. Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457

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

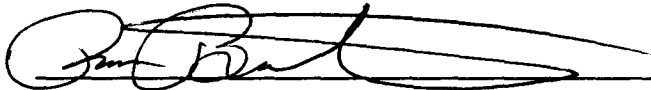
**FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**



Carl Seilstad, Presiding Officer



Sandra Youngbauer, Commissioner



Ross Butcher, Commissioner

Attest:



Rana J. Wichman, Clerk & Recorder





## FERGUS COUNTY

April 11, 2017

To: Pine Ridge Lane Petitioners


From: Fergus County Board of Commissioners

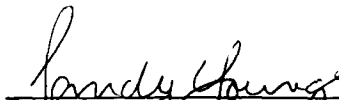
Re: Pine Ridge Lane

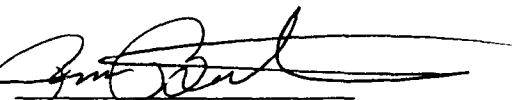
The Fergus County Commissioners met in regular session on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 2:00 PM in the Fergus County Courthouse to examine all pertinent materials concerning the petition to have Pine Ridge Lane as a county road. After review of the information provided including the road viewers report, it has been determined that Pine Ridge Lane is already an established county road and no action is necessary.

The Road Viewers Committee made a note that some of the fences are in the county right-of-way. The Commissioners would like it stated that Fergus County is not responsible for damage to fences that are within the 60 foot right-of-way. It was also determined that the name of the road will have to be changed from Lane to Road in accordance with the Fergus County Addressing standards.

Please feel free to contact the Commissioners' Office at 535-5119 if you have additional questions.

  
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Sandy Youngbauer

  
Ross Butcher

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