

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting  
August 26, 2019 - 2:00 p.m.  
Fergus County Commissioners  
712 W. Main St., Suite 210  
Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Ross Butcher, Commissioner Carl Seilstad, Commissioner Sandy Youngbauer and Clerk & Recorder Rana J. Wichman. Public present: See attached sheet.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Butcher called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Butcher asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the August 9, 2019 minutes. Hearing none he stated the minutes will stand approved as presented and will be on file with the Clerk and Recorder and on the Fergus County Website.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- 1) FY2019-2020 Preliminary Budget Hearing: Commissioner Butcher opened the FY2019-2020 Budget Hearing. Finance Director Neal Tucek commented that there have been no noteworthy changes since the individual department meetings. Commissioner Butcher closed the hearing.
- 2) Petition for Establishment, Alteration or Abandonment of Rock Creek Road as it connects to Highway 87: Commissioner Butcher opened the Rock Creek Road hearing. Commissioner Seilstad reported that the State is doing construction from Eddies Corner to where Weeden Construction left off. This will put Rock Creek road at a better angle when meeting Highway 87, Commissioner Butcher closed the hearing.

**BID OPENINGS:** None

**PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- 1) Sheriff – Full Time Deputy Sheriff
- 2) Planning – Permanent Part Time Office Clerk

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:** None

**DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1) August 26, 2019 claims: Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the August 9, 2019 claims. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. Passed unanimously.

- 2) Petition for Establishment, Alteration or Abandonment of Rock Creek Road as it connects to Highway 87: Commissioner Youngbauer moved to approve the Petition for Establishment, Alteration or Abandonment of Rock Creek Road as it connects to Highway 87. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. Passed unanimously.

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- 3) Grass Range Speed Study Issue: Commissioner Seilstad moved to ask the State Department of Transportation for a speed study on the Highway by the Town of Grass Range. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 4) Resolution 15-2019 – Resolution Concurring in Town of Denton Resolution No. 387 Creating Special Improvement District No. 1: Commissioner Youngbauer moved to approve Resolution 15-2019. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. County Attorney Kent Sipe stated that Denton needs our approval on this resolution before they can proceed. Passed unanimously.
- 5) Resolution 16-2019 – Creation of the 2020 City of Lewistown and Fergus County Complete Count Committee: Commissioner Youngbauer moved to approve Resolution 16-2019. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 6) Resolution 17-2019 – 2020 Census Partnership: Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve Resolution 17-2019. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 7) Agreement – Fergus County and City of Lewistown County City attorney: Commissioner Youngbauer moved to approve the Fergus County and City of Lewistown County City Attorney Agreement. Commissioner Seilstad seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 8) Memorandum of Understanding with City of Lewistown Regarding Dispatch: Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with City of Lewistown Regarding Dispatch. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. Sheriff Rick Vaughn feels the January 1, 2020 date on this is too soon. He feels it should be 7/1/2020. Commissioner Seilstad stated that there needs to be a date to work toward. The budget was adjusted and RIF letters have been sent to three employees with this date in mind. Dorothy Gremaux with Central Montana 911 commented that the new records management software has not been set up yet, but she is having ADSI com on Thursday, August 29. They have also looked at Zurker Technologies. Commissioner Seilstad commented said that if the consolidation fails it will be because someone wants it to fail. He said everyone should stay positive because this is in the best interest of the taxpayers. Passed unanimously.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

September 10, 2019  
Tuesday, 2:00 p.m.

Regular Business Meeting

Fergus Co. Commissioners  
712 W Main St., Suite 210  
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September 18, 2019  
Wednesday, 5:15 p.m.

Regular Business Meeting

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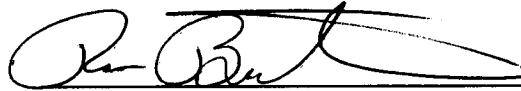
September 27, 2019  
Friday, 2:00 p.m.

Regular Business Meeting

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Reminder: Agenda items are due to the Commissioners 5 days prior to the meeting.  
Meeting adjourned.

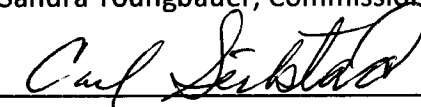
**FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**



Ross Butcher, Presiding Officer

ABSENT

Sandra Youngbauer, Commissioner



Carl Seilstad, Commissioner

Attest:



Rana J. Wichman, Clerk & Recorder

