

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting
April 11, 2022 – 2:00 p.m.
Fergus County Commissioners
712 W. Main St., Suite 210
Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Butcher, Commissioner Youngbauer, Commissioner Seilstad, County Planner Pam Vosen, Clerk and Recorder Janel Tucek, & County Attorney Kent Sipe. In person public: see attached sheet. Via phone: Barb Kingery FC Sanitarian.

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Youngbauer called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Agenda approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Youngbauer asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the March 25, 2022 meeting minutes & April 4, 2022 special meeting minutes. Hearing none, she stated the minutes 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: First reading on Ordinance 1 – 2022 which is an amendment to Ordinance 2 -2017 that establishes penalties for violating fire restrictions and burning without a permit. DES Coordinator Peterson explained that the diameter of fire size was not in the 2-2017 Ordinance. 1-2022 specifies that anything over 48” must have a permit.

BID OPENINGS: Fair grounds public restroom bid openings were tabled to the April 25th meeting as some potential contractors had questions about materials.

PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Family Planning/Clinical RN – perm/part-time
2. Public Health Officer – perm/part-time
3. Road & Bridge/District Blade Operator for Lewistown - perm/full-time
4. Road & Bridge/District Blade Operator for Denton - perm/full-time
5. Planning Office Clerk - perm/full-time
6. Facilities/Grounds & Buildings custodian – perm/full-time
7. Justice Court/Office clerk – perm/full-time ***filled***
8. Fergus Co Health/Sanitarian in Training – perm/full-time

ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:

1. Election Administrator Janel Tucek gave a report on Fergus Co election judge training that she had completed the last week of March. Three separate sessions were conducted, with approximately 115 attending. Of that number, 109 were certified.
2. Fergus County Commissioners presented an award that DNRC gave to Pam Vosen at a recent state Flood Plain Association conference. It recognized her hard work and dedication to the field of work.
3. American Prairie, fka American Prairie Reserve, gave a presentation on happenings that have been occurring at the newly opened discovery center and about future listening sessions that they have coming up. The new director of the interpretive center introduced himself and gave a brief run-down of his path to this area.
4. Commissioner Butcher will be out most of the week at various meetings in state and out of state.
5. Clerk and Recorder Janel Tucek advised that the new online document site with Arcasearch is up and running. All indexes, road petitions & commissioner minutes are available to the public. The clerk and recorder's office is hopefully once the new server is up and running to get all documents from before county inception to present date online for public research.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the April 11th claims as presented. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
2. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the Grass Range QRU, inc building as a polling site for Precinct 5. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; EA Tucek advised that the Grass Range School will not be available for the June Primary as the building will be closed for asbestos abatement. The 23 page polling place ADA compliance form has been completed and sent to the MT SOS's office. Only a handicap sign will need put up. **Motion Passed.**
3. Commissioner Butcher moved to cancel the Soil Conservation district election and elect by acclamation Kevan Comes, LJ Olson, & Thad Jenni to the board. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
4. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve the Environmental/Sanitarian services fee schedule. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; discuss occurred and various fees were added to the schedule as presented. Commissioner Seilstad moved to amend the original motion to reflect the added changes. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed** to amend the original motion to reflect the added changes. **Motion Passed** to approve the services fee schedule.
5. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve **Resolution 16 – 2022** amending the FY22 budget for unanticipated revenues at Central MT Family Planning. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
6. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve and appoint the list of election judges presented by EA Tucek. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
7. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve **Resolution 17 – 2022** authorizing cooperative purchasing. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed.**

APPOINTMENTS: none

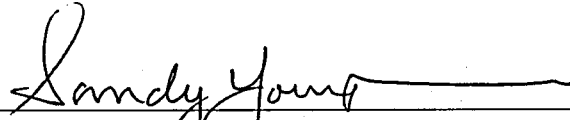
PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: County Planner Vosen spoke about the outreach meeting in Denton and that the county is now waiting for the Town of Denton to either sign the contract or pull out of it. FEMA and DNRC also presented to the Town of Denton on what they need to do to rebuild.


NEXT MEETING DATES:

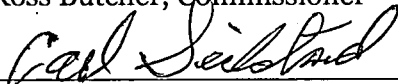
April 20, 2022 Wednesday – 5:15 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
April 25, 2022 Monday – 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
May 10, 2022 Tuesday – 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210

Meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:


Sandy Young, Commissioner


Ross Butcher, Commissioner


Carl Seilstad, Commissioner

Attest:


Janel J. Tucek, Clerk & Recorder

